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Governance of RIs: the case of Central Asian Research and Education Network (CAREN)
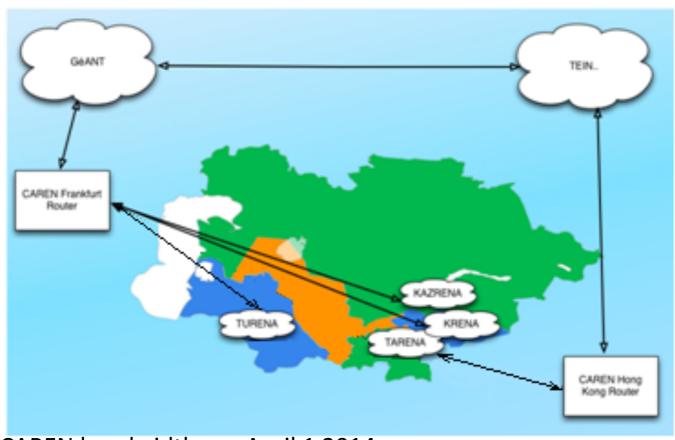
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CAREN Network diagram

CAREN bandwidth per April 1 2014

Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan	Turkmenistan
625 Mbps	625 Mbps	155 Mbps	155 Mbps

Key messages

- The sustainability of the programme beyond EC CAREN project need to establish efficient governance mechanism and regional legal/administrative structure for CAREN. It is a challenge to establish the regional Association for CAREN due to the diversity of national legal systems in Central Asian countries and necessity to get approval from national Parliaments. Therefore, the lawyer suggests establishing legal entity in the form of Foundation for Central Asian Research and Education Network with required administrative structure. At present, CAREN partnership agreement is signed between CA NRENs and DANTE, contractor of EC.

- Except for Turkmenistan, none of the CA NRENs receives government support. KazRENA, KRENA and TARENA collect fees from their users. Thus, funding sustainability is an important issue for CAREN.