

UKSRC SRCNet v0.1

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UK SKA Regional Centre – A developing Research Infrastructure

UK SRC infrastructure
and services:
Supporting and
facilitating UK science

Global SRC Network:
Developing and delivering
the global SRCNet.

UK SKA Regional Centre



UKSRC Response context

- **Consortium of 7 institutions**
 - Project funded by Science and Technology Facilities Council a part of UK Research & Innovation
 - Initial 2 year project ~25FTE in total – 1st phase runs to end of 2025
- **Part of STFC IRIS infrastructure**
 - Shared infrastructure for STFC science (HEP, Astronomy, facilities)
 - Manages capital allocations
 - Provides users for any unused capacity
- **Network Connections**
 - STFC-RAL – 200Gbs to JANET and GEANT, and IPv6 capabilities.
 - Internal resilient and scalable 400Gps networking
 - Similar connectivity between other UK Sites: Cam, Man, Dur etc (10-100gbps) via JANET
- **Resource allocations in place for SRCNet v0.1 and 0.2)**
- **Expertise**
 - STFC-RAL draws on experience and expertise in deploying and operating globally federated data storage facilities at many 10s of PB scale as WLCG Tier 1

UKSRC Response highlights

- **Storage:** Included 4PB in our current (FY24/25) procurement/deployment plans.
 - Based on 2023 top-level roadmap requirements - Up to 20PB by end of 2025
 - Deployments at STFC-RAL
 - New ceph storage platform sharing configuration and service management with existing ECHO and Deneb data stores at RAL
- **Compute: 0.175 PFLOPS - Primarily STFC-RAL**
 - Deploying into STFC OpenStack cloud (~50000 physical cores)
 - Access to existing resources initially to enable quicker deployment
 - Supplement at other UK sites possible
- **Support Resources:**
 - > 1FTE at RAL from dedicated UKSRC staff supported by existing STFC cloud and storage operations teams
 - Across the UKSRC project we have effort (~25-30FTE) for all aspects of the project - some of which can support other aspect of SRCNet 0.1 deployment
- **Network testing:** Demonstrated data transfer requirements with South Africa and Australia

UKSRC Response highlights (cont)

Software :

- Able to deploy software & services as required
- Will continue providing global services
 - SKA-IAM
 - File Transfer Service
 - Supporting deployment of perfsonar for automated network monitoring across SRCNet v0.1 nodes
- Orchestrator to deploy, manage and scale services e.g. Kubernetes
- Monitoring services - again leveraging existing tools where appropriate



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