Black Sea Fiber Optic Cable System (BSFOCS)

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OWNERS

| ArmenTel | n.a. |
|--------------------|------|
| OTE | n.a. |
| Ukrtelecom | n.a. |
| Vivacom | n.a. |
| Rostelecom | n.a. |
| Deutsche Telekom | n.a. |
| T-Hrvatski Telekom | n.a. |
| Telekom Slovenije | n.a. |
| KDDI | n.a. |
| AT&T | n.a. |
| Cytaglobal | n.a. |
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COMMENTS

The Black Sea Fiber Optic Cable System (BSFOCS) is a consortium cable jointly owned by eleven companies including CYTA, Ukrtelecom, OTE, and Rostelecom. CYTA acts as the Commercial Network Administrator, and Ukrtelecom is the Technical Network Administrator. The landing parties include Bulgarian

Telecommunications (BTC), Ukrtelecom, and Rostelecom.

When it came online in September 2001, the BSFOCS became the second multigigabit submarine cable, along with the Georgia-Russia system, to provide submarine bandwidth to the Black Sea region. The cable has landing points in Russia, Ukraine, and Bulgaria. It connects to systems such as the Georgia-Russia and Italy-Turkey-Ukraine-Russia (ITUR) submarine cables and the terrestrial Trans-Asia Europe (TAE) Line for further reach to southern Europe and Asia.

Consortium members of the BSFOCS sell capacity on the network primarily as IRUs.

READY FOR SERVICE (RFS) DATE

September 2001

CABLE LENGTH

1,300 km

CONSTRUCTION COST

USD 55,000,000

SERVICE OFFERINGS

Buyers should contact the Network Administrator-Commercial for service offerings.

CABLE CAPACITY

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| | Lit Wavelengths | | | |
|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Lit Fiber Pairs | per Fiber Pair | Gbps per Wavelength | Total Capacity (Gbps) |
| 2012 | 1 | 1 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| Potential | 2 | 4 | 2.5 | 20 |

Total Unprotected Capacity

| | Total Capacity (Gbps) |
|------|--------------------------|
| 2012 | 2 |
| Max | 20 |



LANDING POINTS

- Novorossiysk, RussiaOdessa, UkraineVarna, Bulgaria

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