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# Next Generation Events

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## What is NGE?

- **Systems like HAUSTORIUM reaching ingest capacity**
  - But scale and variety both increasing
- **5-Eyes also far-apart on “metadata” requirements, need to get closer together**

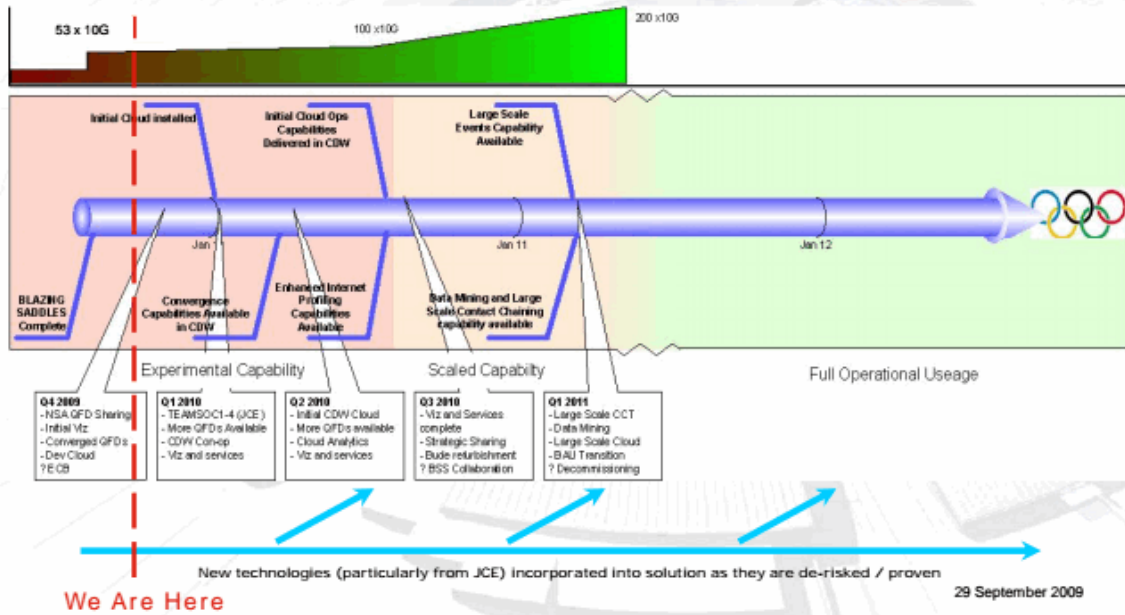
### The Answer?

- **NGE: A multi-stage project that tackles a series of the problems, at increasing scale, and with increasing collaboration**

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# Next Gen Events: High-level Plan



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## NGE: The Last Three Months

- **Sharing Enriched Metadata (HARBOUR PILOT)**
  - Moving towards metadata standards across 5-Eyes
  - Invisible to GCHQ analysts
- **Internet Profiling (BLAZING SADDLES)**
  - Taking ICTR ideas on how to process Events at scale, and scale even more
  - Required significant effort on End-to-End Sigint process

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## Plug 1 - Internet Profiling: The BLAZING SADDLES Delivery

- **What It Does:**
  - Takes 8 ICTR QFD's and scales them for up to 100 x 10G bearers
  - Allows the analyst to see large amounts of a targets online activity
  - Metadata – MUTANT BROTH, AUTO ASSOC, KARMA POLICE, SOCIAL ANIMAL, INFINITE MONKEYS, HRMAP
  - Content – MEMORY HOLE, MARBLED GECKO
- **Why You Care:**
  - Want to know alternate online accounts?
  - Quickly build up a picture of someone's online MO and interests?
  - Identify for further exploitation (with other techniques) a targets network/machines?
  - Success across IP/X – CP, SIMMER, Mumbai, G20 – and ask around in your IPT!
- **How You Get Access:**
  - Currently instigating corporate process (based on C2C skill level)
  - Interim – see your Tech Director or Tech Ex

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## NGE: The Next Three Months

- **ROCK RIDGE**
  - Continuing QFD roll-out
    - SAMUEL PEPYS
    - CAFFEINE HIT
  - Sharing some QFD's with (initially) NSA
  
- **Converged Events**
  - Ensuring we don't perpetuate the C2C/Telephony divide
  - Specific QFD's that enhance our ability to exploit converged
    - Evolved MUTANT BROTH
    - LAUGHING HYENA
  - Exit strategy for SALAMANCA/HAUSTORIUM
  
- **CLOUD Experiments at Bude**
  - JCE and TINT
    - Developing/testing technologies for later in the roadmap
  
- **ICTR (and others!) continue to develop new ideas**

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## NGE: And After That?

- **Capability Development Workspace**
  - Bulk datamining capability
  - Use existing sources, and new cloud capabilities
- **Large-scale contact chaining**
  - MOAG – but anyone can create
  - Using both GCHQ and NSA datastores
- **MO/Profiling based discovery**
  - Always been the goal for events-led analysis
  - Dependent on technological advancements, but looking good
- **Events/Content Fusion & Visualisation**
  - Seamless navigation between Events and Content
  - Making sure we continue the MONTE VISTA/LOOKING GLASS ideas

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## Next Generation Content..?

- **Not yet...but thinking and delivery is happening**
  - TIPC using TDI's
  - Expand XKS use
  - Trial new ways of collecting/processing content (TINT)

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## Plug 2: TIPC Expansion

- **What It Does**
  - Full client IP stream collection triggered by known selector
  - Expanded to STM-64 environment as well as STM-1/4
  - Now triggered by TDI's, not just gmail, yahoo and maktoob
- **Why You Care**
  - Unique Intelligence material that can't be strong selected – web visits/searches etc
  - Find new protocols used by targets – you, tech trends, T development
  - Contextless
  - New dictionary – old one completely erased
- **How Do You Get Access?**
  - Talk to your C2C Tech Ex – they are running pre-requisite briefings as there are some dangers...(full IIB!)

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## Plug 3: XKS & TINT @Bude Experiments

- **What It Will Do:**
  - Promotion from XKS to IIB
  - Integration into LOOKING GLASS
  - Connection to Native File Viewer (FUME CUPBOARD)
  - Continuing to work on the NSA data access issue
  - **The TINT@Bude Experiments Attempt To:**
    - Re-sessionise *everything*
    - Tag traffic, based on
      - \*strong selector/ geography/ application
      - \*contextual fingerprints:
    - Extract metadata in bulk
    - Retain a 3-day rolling buffer of 'interesting' content
      - \*for retrospective/protocol/network/analysis
      - \*for refining fingerprints/selectors
    - Do this on 20 x 10G's!
- **Why You Care:**
  - Packet processing approach misses stuff
  - Strong selection only
  - Too much data retained is unused (97% unviewed)
  - Promote only the good stuff to long-term storage
  - Aim: to automatically promote to long term storage
- **When Do You Get Access?**
  - New XKS capabilities will be rolled out to GCHQ KS's when available
  - TINT PUT in place, but experimental, not operational use only