

How Eutelsat and Sky Italia are Exploring Multicast Adaptive Bitrate Streaming for Large-Scale Content Distribution

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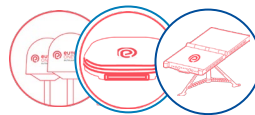
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YEARS OF EXPERIENCE



UNIQUE GEO-LEO
SYSTEM WITH GROUND
INFRASTRUCTURE
FOR GLOBAL COVERAGE

SOLID INVESTMENT PROGRAMME



EXPANDING RANGE
OF FIXED & MOBILITY
PRODUCTS



1.26B€
REVENUES FOR
FY 2023-2024

LEADING INNOVATION



Accelerating
the transition to
ALL-ELECTRIC
SATELLITES



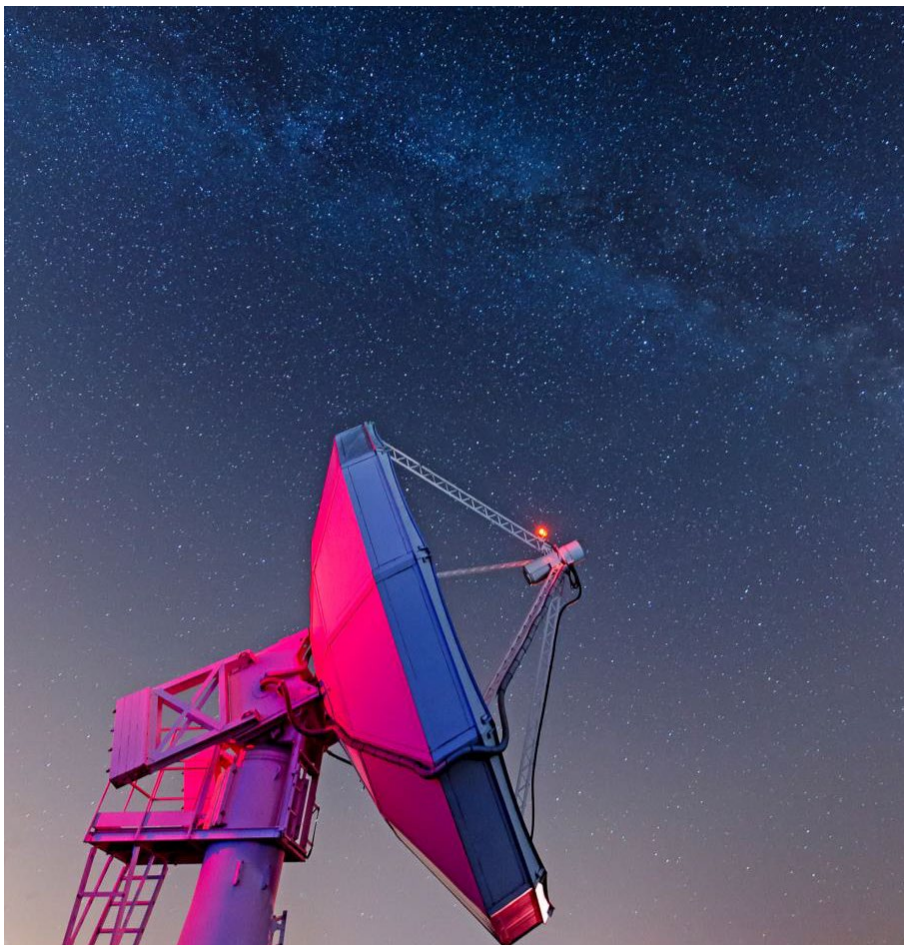
Spearheading
a new generation
of **SOFTWARE-**
DRIVEN satellites



Pioneering **VHTS**
technology to
deliver high-
speed broadband



Leveraging hybrid
advantages of **LEO**
(speed & latency)
with **GEO** (throughput
& density)



SHAPING A NEW ERA FOR BROADCASTING



6500
TV channels



60 TV platforms
40% Free-to-Air channels



1 billion
TV viewers

**BANDWIDTH
FOR NEW
IMAGE
FORMATS**

+2200 HD channels
accelerating take-up

25 Ultra HD channels
on 7 orbital positions



**30% OF
CHANNELS**



Working with clients on
new products and services
**ANYTIME, ANYWHERE,
ON ANY DEVICE**



AGENDA

DVB-NIP (Native IP)

- What is it?
- What does it bring?
- How does it work?
- Use Cases

SKY Italia Hospitality Service

- The Challenge: ensuring consistent QoS in the new hospitality offer
- The Solution: using DVB-NIP to bypass the Internet bottlenecks

The Trial

- What has been done
- Next steps

DVB-NIP: WHAT IT IS AND WHAT IT BRINGS

What is **DVB-NIP**® ?

- ETSI Standard

ETSI TS 103 876 V1.1.1 (2024-09)



DVB-NIP: WHAT IT IS AND WHAT IT BRINGS

What is **DVB NIP**® ?

*[...] a Native IP (NIP) Broadcast System
based on existing DVB technologies [...]*

*[...] for the requirements of network
operators and broadcasters [...]*

*[...] that want to leverage IP for the
distribution of content [...]*

DVB T2 **DVB S2**
DVB I **DVB MABR** **DVB DASH**



DVB-NIP: WHAT IT IS AND WHAT IT BRINGS

What is **DVB-NIP**[®] ?

Strong support from the
Satellite ecosystem and the
industry

DVB-TM



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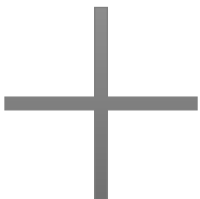
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OTT experience



- ✓ Multi-screen
- ✓ Live and On Demand
- ✓ Rich and modern UI



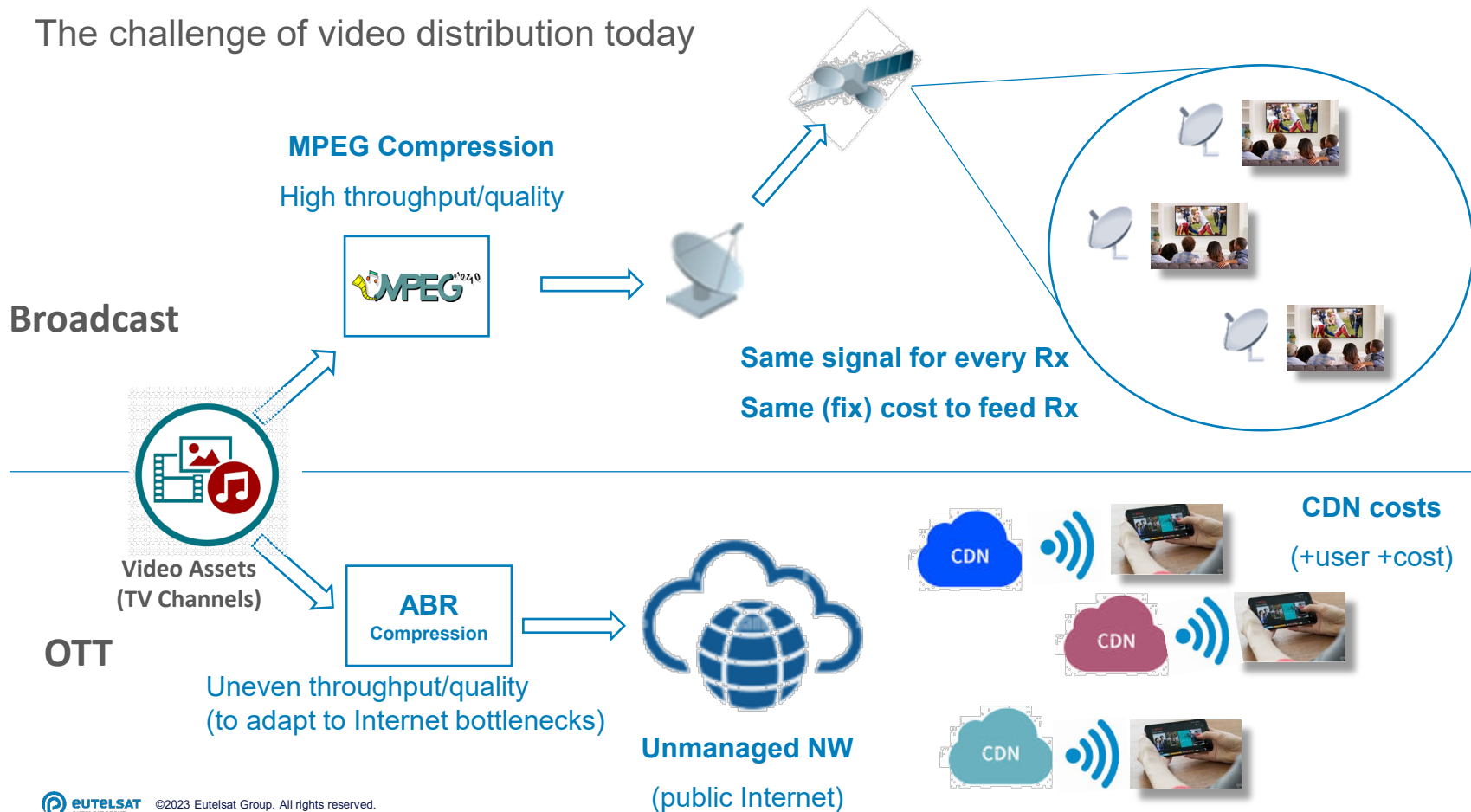
Reliability & satellite coverage



- ✓ Broadcast grade availability
- ✓ No congestion / buffering effect
- ✓ Enabling places with limited connectivity

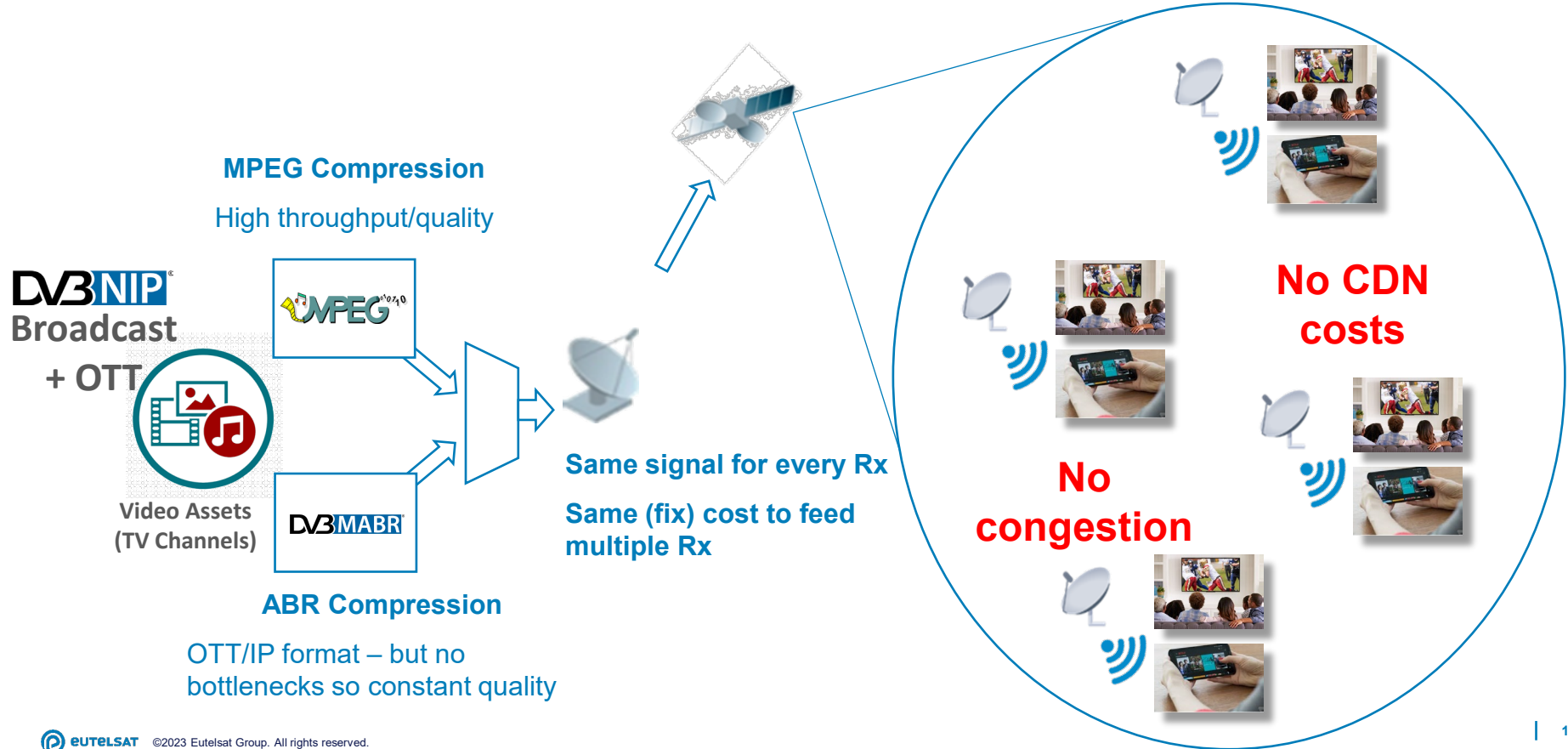
DVB-NIP: HOW DOES IT WORK?

The challenge of video distribution today

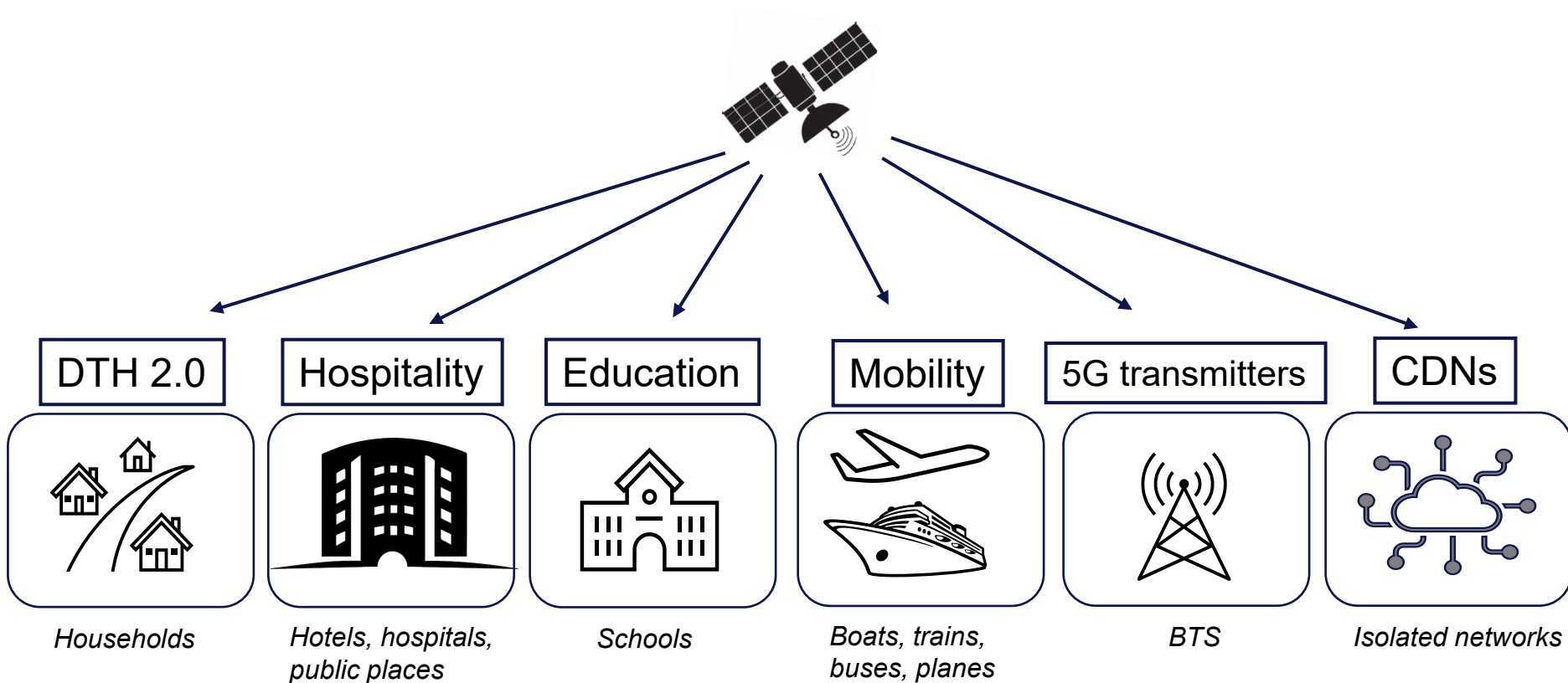


DVB-NIP: HOW DOES IT WORK?

The benefit of OTT over satellite



DVB-NIP[®] MAIN USE CASES



DVB-NIP: USE CASES (1/2)



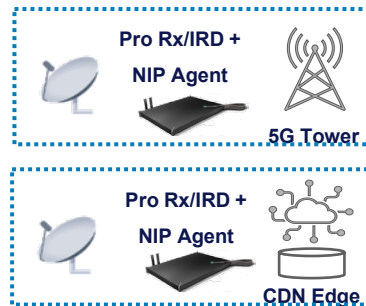
Next-Gen DTH (FTA/Pay)



Hospitality + Venues



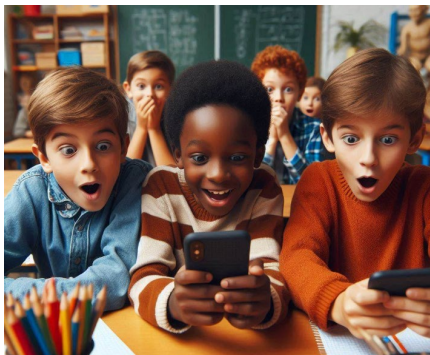
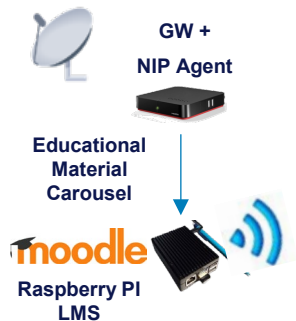
Edge Feeding (CDN / 5G)



DVB-NIP: USE CASES (2/2)



Education



Mobility

Flat mobile antenna



SKY ITALIA – BUSINESS SERVICES



Bars



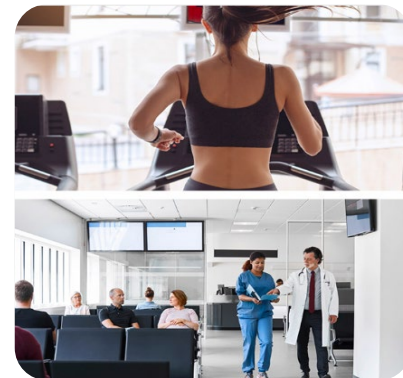
Hotels



Shops & Offices

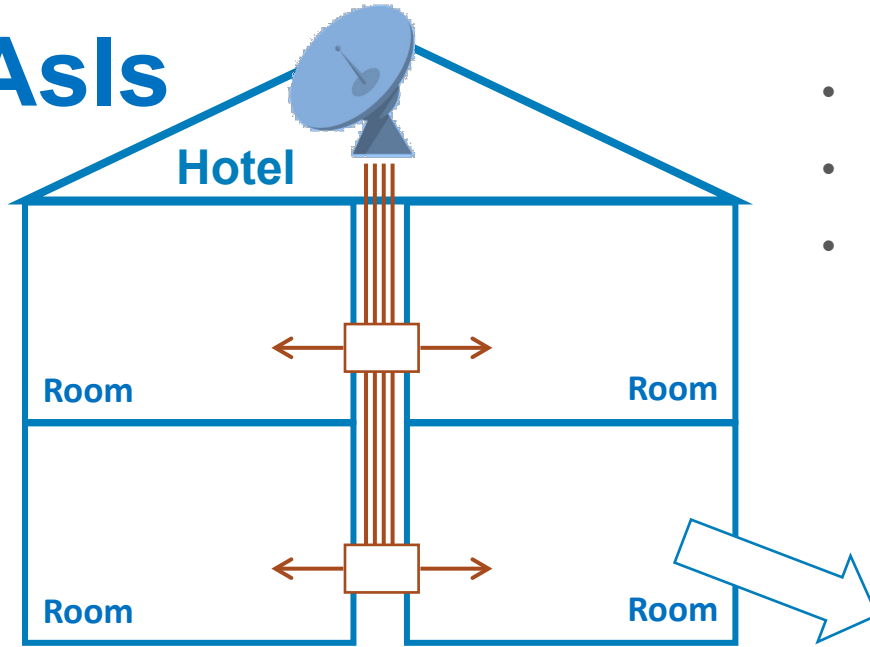


Other Venues



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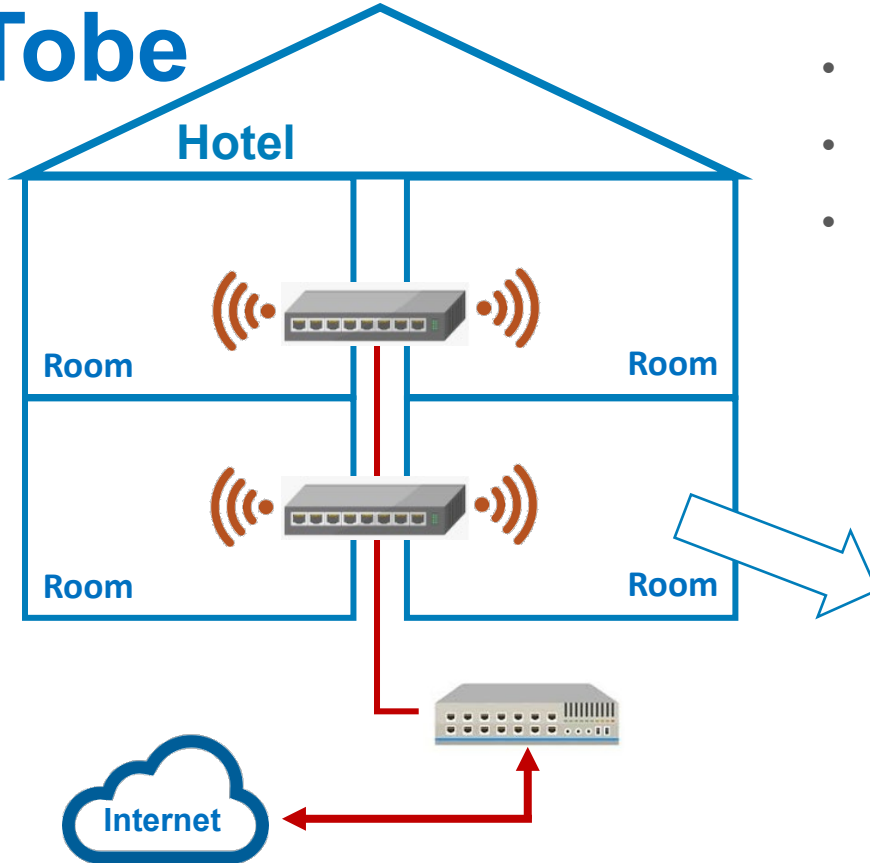


- Satellite MATV Network in the hotel
- Each room has its own satellite receiver
- Consistent user experience



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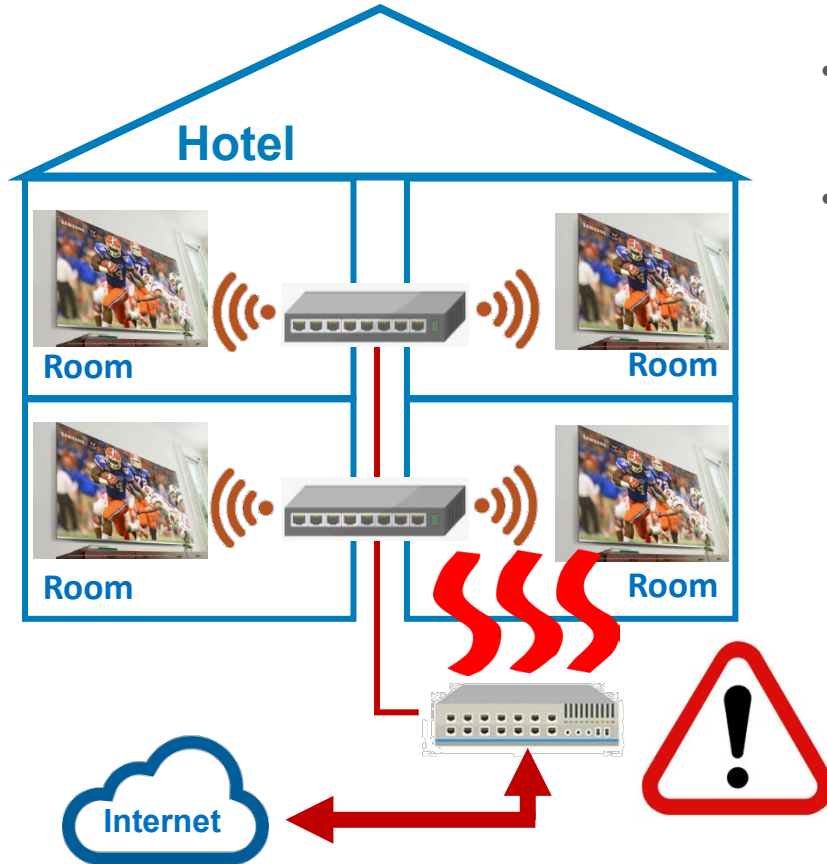
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- Sky Stream OTT Box in the room
- Relying on hotel internet connectivity
- Potential risk of congestion at hotel backbone

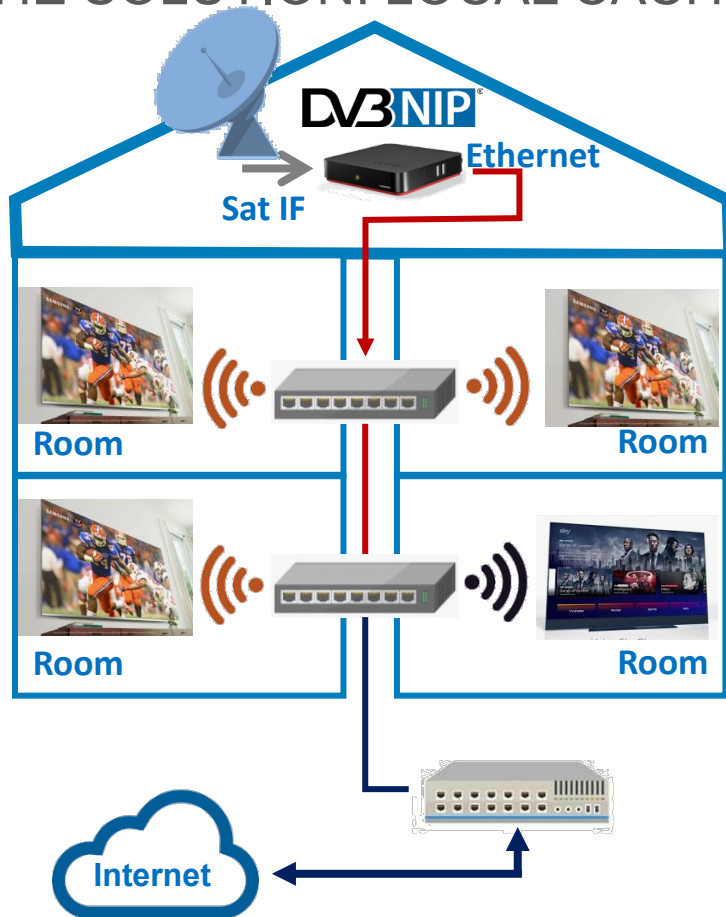


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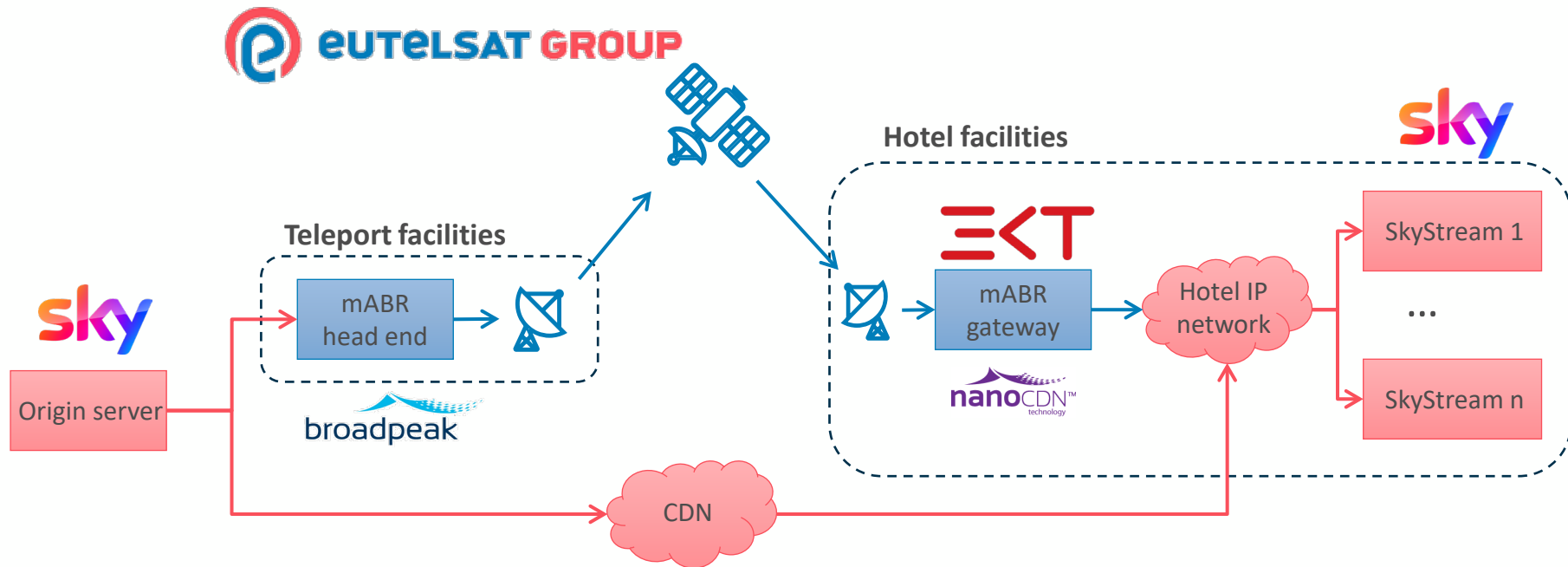
- Potential risk of congestion at hotel backbone when users watch simultaneously
- Popular content is more prone to create congestion on the backbone

THE SOLUTION: LOCAL CACHE VIA DVB-NIP



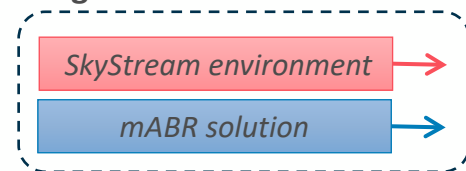
- The Solution consist in deploying a local Cache feeding the most watched channels via satellite
- A DVB-NIP receiver will provide these channels to the local IP network
- The Room Player (SKY Stream STB) will receive the popular Channels in IP mABR via satellite and the less requested content in IP mABR from the internet backbone of the hotel

MABR SOLUTION IN SKYSTREAM HOSPITALITY ENVIRONMENT



Solution is non-intrusive and cohabits with existing SkyStream environment

Legend



TRIAL SETUP



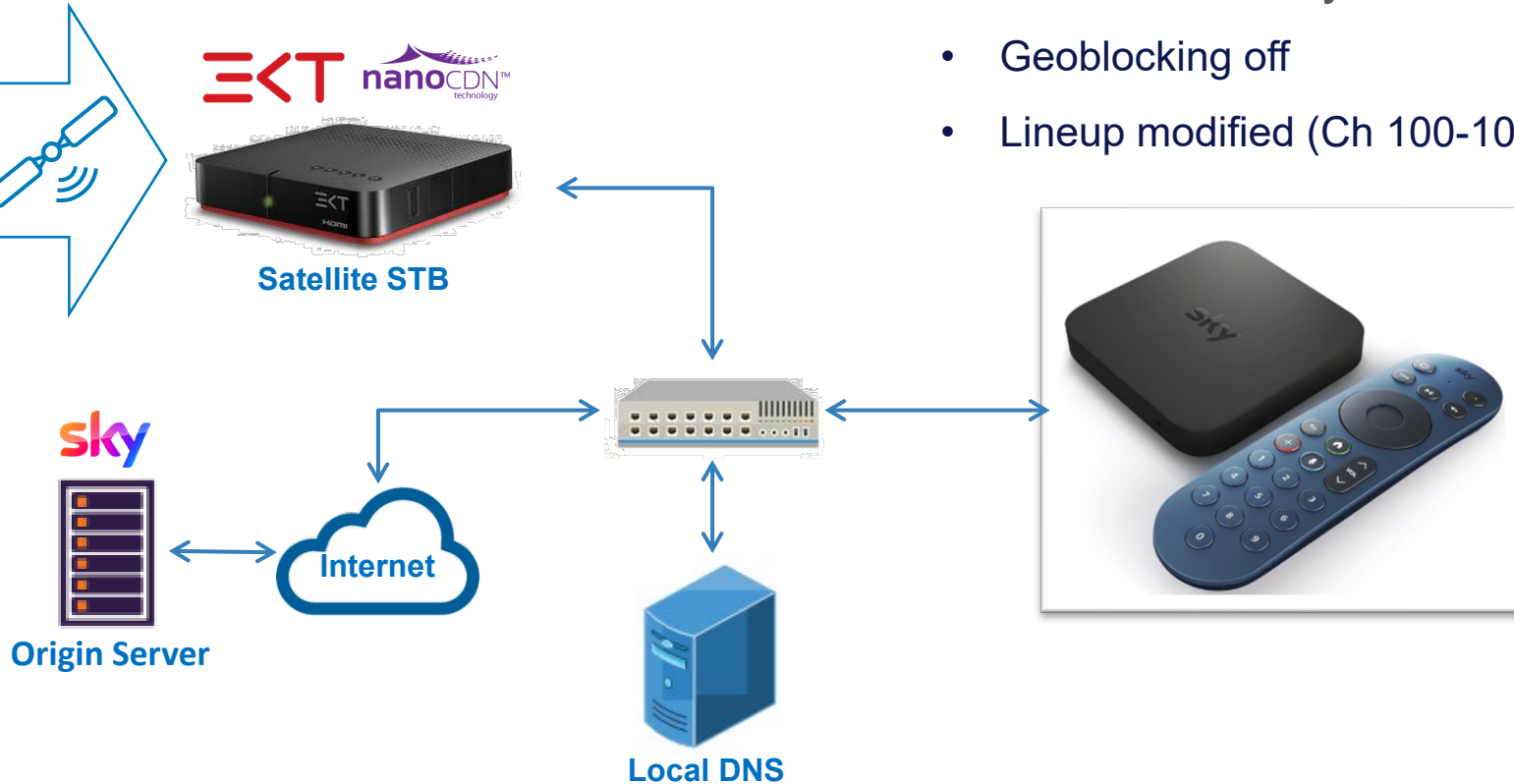
- HTTPS with DRM and Certificates



- Porting NanoCDN on 6828 HW Platform

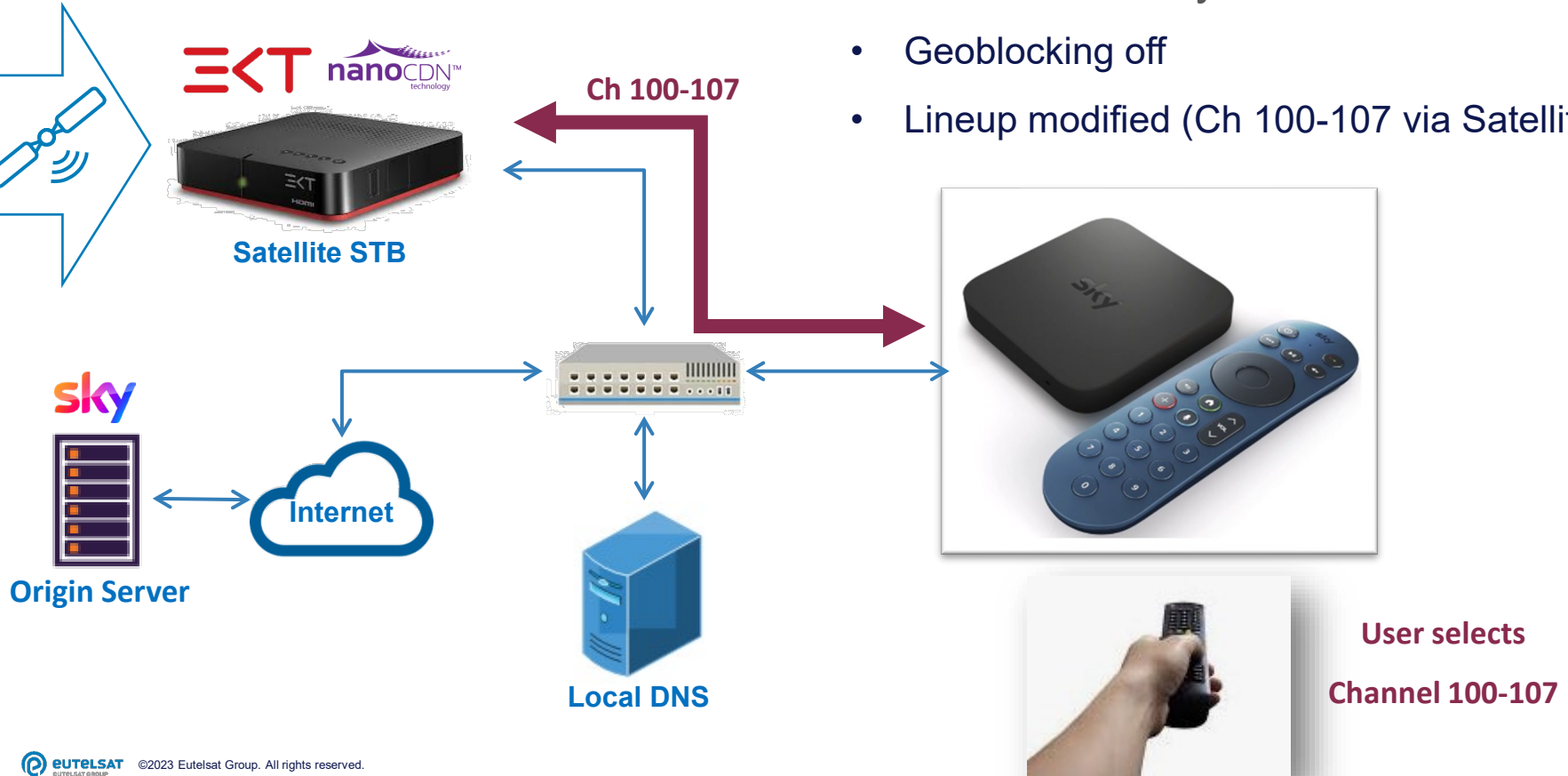
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 - Geoblocking off
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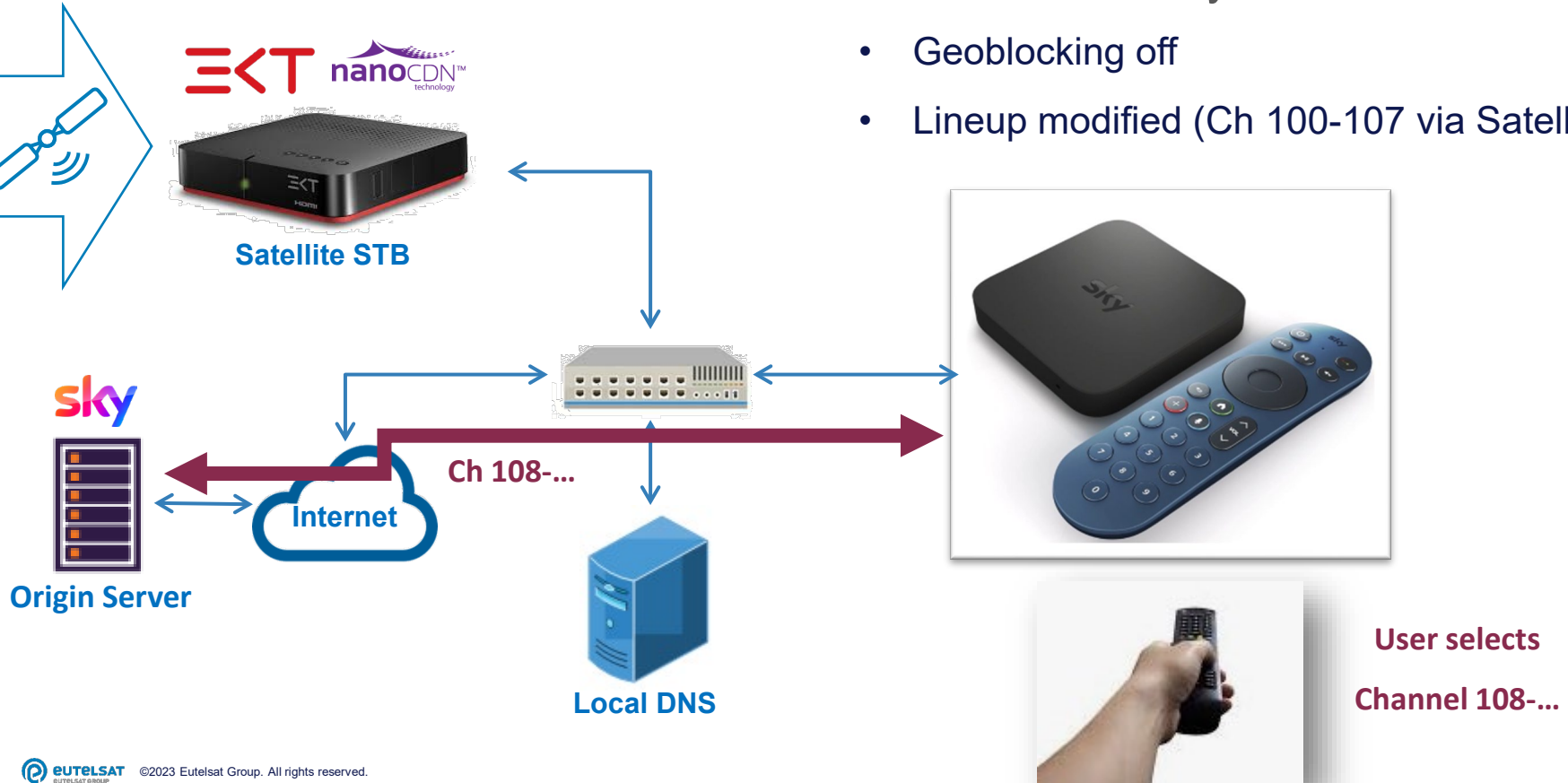
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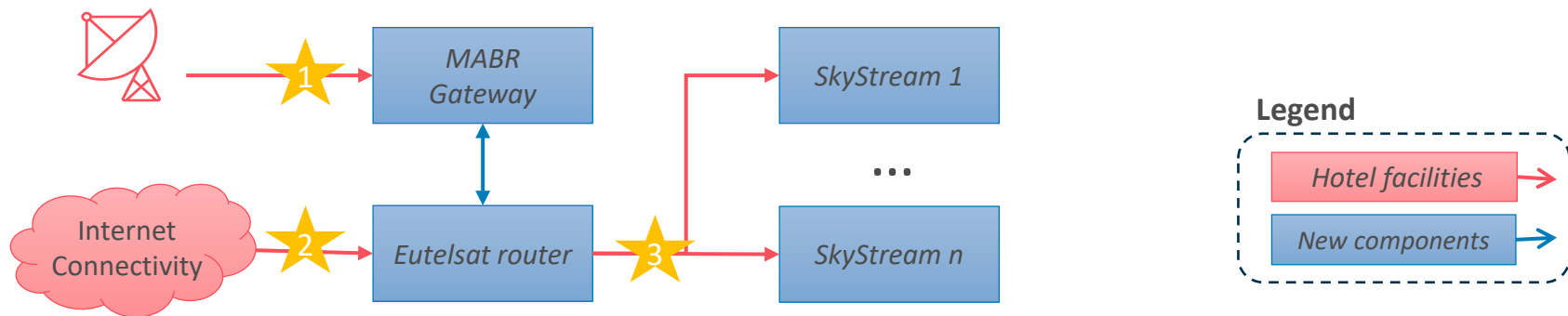
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SETUP IN THE HOTEL

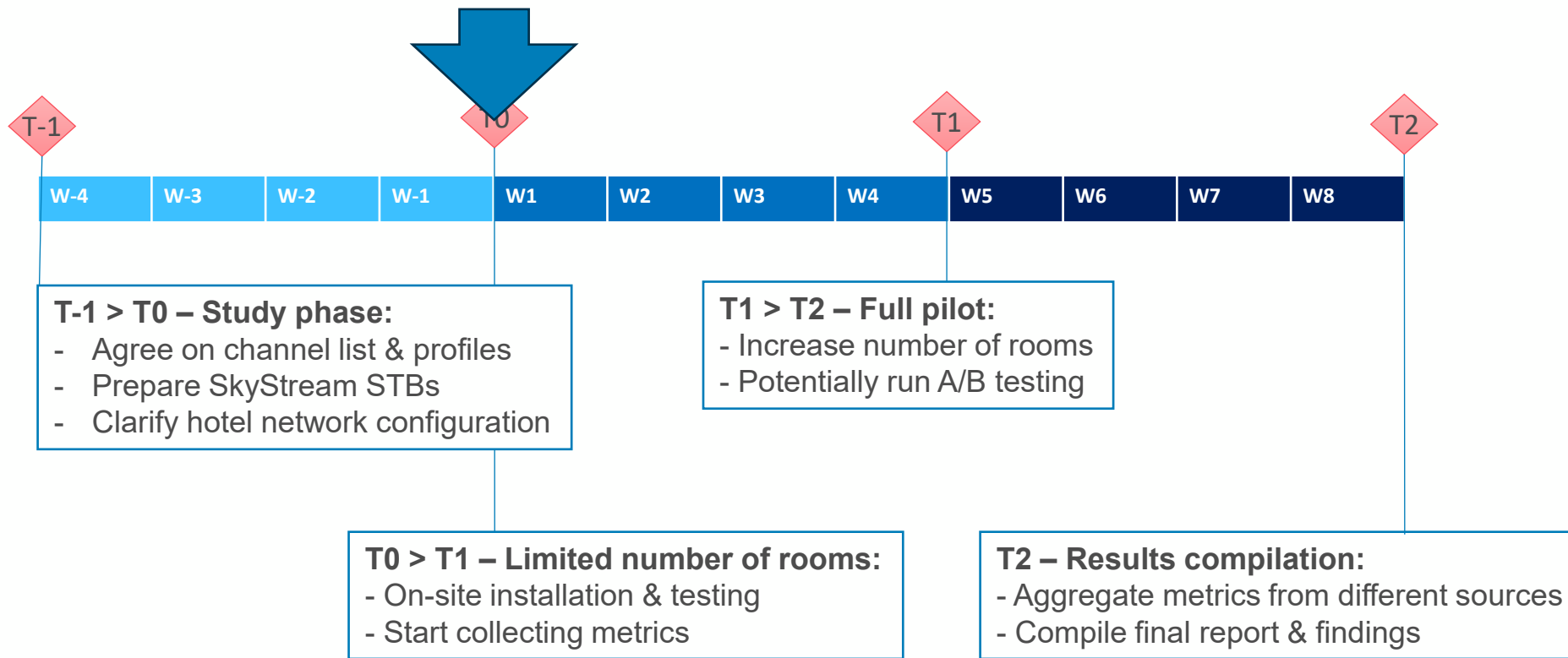
The solution tested is illustrated below:



Impacts for the hotel are limited to:

- 1) HOTBIRD satellite reception over L-band to be plugged directly into the Gateway's tuner
- 2) Internet connexion for SkyStream STBs to access online channels through the Router
- 3) Ethernet wiring between the router and the rooms (alternatively, Wi-Fi can be used)

WHERE WE ARE TODAY



THANK YOU!

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- ## Challenges

- Deliver content carried from the satellite without impact for the STB
- Comply with quality and security expectations

- ## Results

- All the traffic is delivered by local gateway in HTTPS as if it was retrieved from the CDN directly
- The rest of the communication goes through Internet, including DRM licenses acquisition

- ## Advantages

- The solution integrates transparently within SkyStream environment
- Channels are played with best QoS without any rebuffering, event during peak hours

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- How does it work
- Channel ingest
 - Channels are ingested from CDN in HTTPS
 - Only a selection of layers is carried on the satellite
 - Manifest are manipulated on the fly on the NIP gateway
- Local https traffic
 - The TV lineup is configured with a specific manifest URL
 - The local router act as DNS for these channels routing demand to the Gateway
 - The gateway serves the content in HTTPS using signed certificates