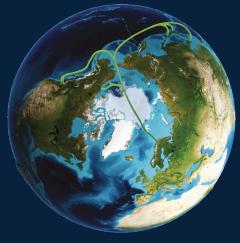


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Polar Connect
Step 2 has
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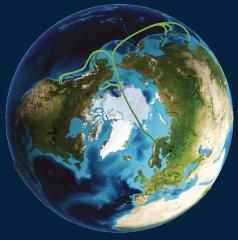


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• **A new phase begins**

Polar Connect Step 2 (24-EU-DIG-PC2) officially marks the start of a 36-month project focused on preparing the next steps toward a resilient Arctic submarine cable.





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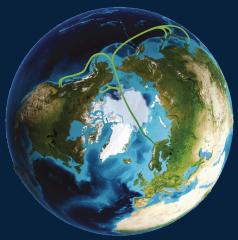


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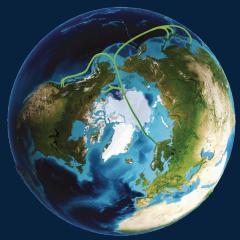
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What this phase is about

During PC2, the consortium will:

- study the optimal Arctic cable route,
- analyse cable resilience and repair in ice conditions,
- and prepare the foundations for future deployment.

