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# Coherent Terabit

Communication & Instrumentation

Coherent Terabit Communication (CoT) is the key technology for ultra-high speed data transmission. Using optical fibers, hundreds or even thousands of kilometers can be bridged with CoT to connect cloud data centers and access networks with Terabit/s speed. CoT can also realize Terabit/s wireless connectivity using THz frequencies over up to 1 km distance for mobile front- and backhauling as well as for indoor/ outdoor access scenarios.

**CoT Instrumentation** allows to explore this technology for many use cases, both on research level as well as in

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# **Range of Products**

#### Coherent optical transport

- High-bandwidth dual-polarization I/Q transmitters (OMFT, 40 GHz)
- High-bandwidth polarization-diverse coherent receivers (CRF, 25/40/70 GHz)
- Optical loop control (OSLC) for emulation of metro and longhaul transmission
- Extensive library of lab-proven DSP algorithms available as VPItoolkit<sup>™</sup> DSP Library

#### Rapid real-time prototyping

- MicroTCA-based modular prototyping platform
- Various plug-in boards like 65-GS/s DACs, 56-GS/s ADCs, FPGA processor, optoelectronic front-end
- High-bandwidth backplane interface (>1Tb/s)
- Ethernet interface for control and network integration
- Ready-to-use IP cores for hardware interfacing
- Reference IP core implementations of real-time DSP for various transmission systems

#### Lab-as-a-service

- ISO 9001 certified
- Optical transmission loop testbeds (C+L band)
- High-performance equipment for digital/analog > 60 GBd QAM signal generation and reception
- Different fiber types (terrestrial, submarine, multi-mode/core)
- On-chip measurements (RF and optical coupling)
- Lab-proven digital signal processing
- Rich experience in component characterization

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# **COHERENT TERABIT**

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# Reference Project: SENDATE SECURE-DCI

In the SENDATE project, Fraunhofer HHI develops technologies for next-generation distributed data centers together with partners from industry and academia. Cost-efficient coherent transport will allow a flexible and secure provisioning of compute, storage and networking resources to tenants and applications at scale.



# About Coherent Optical Transport

Optical fiber communication networks provide the required capacity and reliability for today's high-bandwidth internet applications and services. Coherent optical transmission techniques allow to modulate amplitude, phase and polarization of the light for data transport resulting in unprecedented per-channel data rates up to terabits per second. Thanks to its high spectral efficiency, flexibility and robustness, coherent optical transport is a widespread technique for longhaul transmission. Currently, it is also migrating to data center interconnect, access and short reach scenarios.

Fraunhofer HHI offers high-performance coherent transport prototypes for research and development applications.

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# SENDATE Secure DCI



## About Rapid real-time prototyping

Digital signal processing (DSP) has become an ubiquitous tool in coherent communication systems, vastly increasing data rates, flexibility and robustness. Real-time DSP processing of tens and hundreds of Gb/s per channel needs large application- specific integrated circuits which are extremely costly and time-consuming to develop. Rapid real-time prototyping using a flexible, reprogrammable DSP hardware based on fieldprogrammable gate arrays (FPGAs) speeds up development cycles and saves cost while offering all advantages of a real-time implementation.

Fraunhofer HHI offers a highly flexible hardware platform for rapid real-time prototyping of new transceiver concepts for the Tb/s regime.

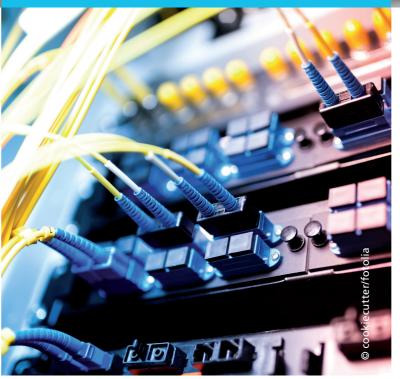
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# **TERRANOVA**

In the TERRANOVA project, Fraunhofer HHI develops real-time prototypes for next generation wireless communication systems operating at THz frequencies together with partners from industry and academia. The prototypes will help to prove reliable wireless high-speed connectivity towards Tb/s in a real-world 5G network.









#### About Lab-as-a-service

Innovating coherent communication systems towards Tb/s per-channel capacity requires sophisticated know-how on component, system and network level. Precise characterization, careful optimization and accurate performance evaluation in a system laboratory with cutting edge equipment saves time and cost when working with a partner that has rich experience and dedication to excellence.

Fraunhofer HHI provides test & measurement services for high-speed coherent communication systems with experienced staff in a world-class system lab environment.

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# Reference Project: INDUSTRY-LEADING CUSTOMERS

Global technology leaders in optical communications choose Fraunhofer HHI as trusted service partner. Sophisticated component characterizations and tests in state-of-the-art system experiments give valuable feedback to developers to expand their excellency in component and system design.



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