

# SEBA reality check! How to take the design to the next level?

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# **Goals for SEBA**

- Provide a basis for community development and support of broadband access systems.
- Enable/encourage 3<sup>rd</sup> parties to build offers based on SEBA.
- Integrate easily with existing OSS and NG ONAP management.
  - But also minimize system concerns in upstream systems
- Provide like capabilities across disparate access systems
- Avoid lock-in



### **SEBA Architecture**





#### **AT&T vAccess SEBA/VOLTHA Deployment Model**

**Cross-Domain Correlation & Automation** 



### Access 4.0 in a NUTSHELL

- Several other talks on what Access 4.0 does
  ⇒ see next slide
- We build many (~1000) A4-PODs, each with
  - Few servers for management & control plane containers only
  - White-box switches that provide both SE, fabric, and LER functions
  - White-box OLTs that enable Gigabit via FTTH and FTTB
  - Dedicated servers for IPsec, dedicated switch(es) for L2-BSA
- Few central management clusters, that
  - Implement interfaces to the OSS/BSS platform
  - Provide & distribute data to the A4-PODs
  - Collect and analyze logs, metrics, and events







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#### Key Drivers for the Control Plane Design



### **BIG PICTURE – addressIng the Key Drivers**

	Technology Specific Control Stacks	A A	1 Aulti ccess Tech 2 Disag regat	ig- jon SDN + Las Vegas	4 Vendor Neutral		Policy AAA (Radiu:
		POD Access Orchestrator (PAO)					$ \longrightarrow $
Interfaces/AP	S	·					-
1/POD	OLT Controller	DPU Controller	DSL Controller	SE Controller	Fabric Controller	LER Controller	
1/Element (logical level)	OLT/ONT Agent	OLT/DPU Agent	DSL Agent	SE Agent	Fabric Agent	LER Agent	
Hardware (ASICs, FPGAs, SmartNICs, CPUs, etc.)							
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### **BIG PICTURE – Imperfections & Orchestration Tasks**



#### Access 4.0 & SEBA Exemplar Implementation



### What does this mean with respect to SEBA?

- Building 1000 A4-PODs requires lean and easy to operate building blocks
  - > Micro-service based components need to work in generic container management systems
  - > Components should not require complex helper services (such as Kafka)
- Allow different sources (in-house dev, open-source, proprietary) for different parts of the control plane
  - > SEBA must allow for more plug and play LEGO-like system building
  - > Leverage common internal control plane interfaces to bring in 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> vendors
- Harmonize those different sources through interfaces (APIs) which abstract functionality
  - > DT plans to bring these interfaces into the public, once we have a running example.
  - > Happy to improve these interfaces with and move their evolution into the ONF community
- The POD access orchestration component will be very operator/deployment/scenario dependent
  - > DT decided to co-develop the POD access orchestrator in-house
  - > Current focus on production readiness of technology specific controllers such as VOLTHA

### Actively Bringing our Experience to SEBA Acceleration





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# Pain Points with the Current State

- There's a strong desire to allow SEBA to run on open access hardware
  - So there's also a desire to reduce complexity, footprint.
- There's a need to adapt SEBA to existing large scale systems
- Economics need to be on-par with legacy solutions
- There are more opportunities for smaller scale than larger scale
- ONOS Apps are limited by OF protocol capabilities



# **SEBA** possibilities

VOLTHA is by far the most valuable component in SEBA It is also built on a robust and reliable platform So Focus on VOLTHA – make it indispensable to a variety of uses. Add capabilities for more silicon and devices Enable small systems with local APIs Use performant software languages Redefine what makes a MVP!

Let's look at a similar example in an adjacent industry...



# Adjacent Market Example (Original)



Old School Switch



# Adjacent Market Example (SAI)



After SAI



# Adjacent Market Example (SONiC)





### So Let's Envision





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# In Summary

Focus on VOLTHA

- Adjust VOLTHA architecture to be more self-reliant
- Allow for extensibility, but don't force it
- Enable both local and central functions





# Thank You

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