

# Fiber optic trunk lines and IDC data centers between Iraq and Iraq



## Overview

Major American cloud companies with data centers in the Persian Gulf "are channeling data out of the war zone through fiber-optic cables that an Iraqi telecom has strung alongside crude-oil pipelines," reports RestofWorld. org: The data centers serve customers in more than. The Silk Road, an ancient network of trade routes, facilitated the exchange of goods and ideas between the East and West for more than 1,500 years. Now a leading Iraqi fiber optic provider has launched its own 21 st century version - The Silk Route Transit Network. This fiber optic cable, expected to be completed in 2027, will. By mid-2025, Iraq quietly crossed a historic threshold: more than 1 terabit per second (Tbps) of terrestrial internet transit is now flowing through its territory. Iraq is fast emerging as a strategic internet. Iraq's National Investment Commission (NIC) has announced a new strategic vision aimed at delivering major projects to support Iraq's economy and sustainable development. The plan was presented during a meeting attended by members of parliament from the Reconstruction and Development bloc, where. The Iraqi Ministry of Communications has unveiled two major initiatives aimed at modernizing the country's digital infrastructure: the nationwide expansion of fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) services and the launch of a new international submarine cable link. On August 27, Minister of Communications Dr.

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iQ Networks and GBI sign Dark Fibre Framework

On Tuesday (7th January), iQ Networks, a subsidiary of Sulaymaniya's iQ Group, signed Iraq's inaugural dark fibre IRU framework agreement with Qatar

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The National Investment Commission (NIC) has hosted a high-level meeting with an Omani delegation to discuss the establishment of advanced international data centres and the transit

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Iraq Expands Fiber Network and Signs Sixth Submarine Cable Deal

The discussions focused on accelerating the rollout of fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) services across Iraq. Plans were outlined to migrate subscribers to electronic systems via the National Data

Iraq transitioning to fiber optic internet, minister says

BAGHDAD - Iraq's Communications Minister Hayam Al-Yasiri announced today the imminent launch of a campaign to deactivate internet

Iraq Plans to Become Regional Internet Transit Hub with

Other initiatives include the Fiber in Gulf system signed with Ooredoo earlier this year, the North Gulf SMW cable, and World Link to connect regional

Silk Route Transit Network — Grokipedia

Construction accelerated from 2021 onward, with iQ Networks deploying over 3,000 kilometers of multi-layer fiber-optic cables across Iraq, linking key domestic nodes to international borders.

Ooredoo Group and ITPC partner to land FIG subsea

Ooredoo Group, an international communications provider operating across the Middle East, North Africa, and Southeast Asia, has signed a Landing

Ooredoo and ITPC Sign Agreement to Land FIG Subsea

Ooredoo Group and the Iraqi Telecommunications and Post Company (ITPC) have signed a landmark Landing Party Agreement to land the

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What happens when geography meets infrastructure? You get a new global data corridor that's reshaping how the world connects. By mid-2025, Iraq

Ooredoo, ITPC to Land FIG Cable in Iraq

Ooredoo and Iraq's ITPC Partner to Land FIG Subsea Cable in Iraq By Niva Yadav, Data Center Dynamics March 17, 2025 Qatari telco Ooredoo Group has signed a landing party agreement

Iraq-based iQ Group Launches Silk Route Transit Network

Rashid firmly believes that the Silk Route Transit Network will further contribute to the development of Iraq's industrial, retail, and service sectors, providing the backbone for a vast

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Information and latest news on connectivity, data centres, fibre and connectivity in Iraq.

Iraq Accelerates Digital Transformation with Fiber Expansion and New ...

The Iraqi Ministry of Communications has unveiled two major initiatives aimed at modernizing the country's digital infrastructure: the nationwide expansion of fiber-to-the-home

U.S.-Iran war threatens Gulf AI infrastructure as both

Billions of dollars in U.S. technology infrastructure, and trillions more in planned investment, now depend on fiber-optic cables running through war

Iraq Accelerates Digital Transformation with Fiber Expansion and New ...

Together, the FTTH rollout and submarine cable project underscore Iraq's commitment to digital transformation, strengthening its infrastructure, and integrating more deeply with global

Ooredoo, ITPC Partner to Land FIG Subsea Cable in Iraq

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Iraq positions as a digital landscape and gateway with new fibre-optic ...

Iraq's emerging role as a connectivity hub is gaining momentum with key fibre-optic transit links and international partnerships driving digital infrastructure expansion.

Silk Route Transit

Silk Route Transit iQ proudly announces the most strategic fibre optic project in Iraq and the region: The Silk Route Transit. As a transit hub, Iraq will be able to link all the neighbouring countries to the

Big Tech is moving data out of the Gulf through Iraqi oil pipelines

Major U.S. hyperscalers running data centers in the Gulf to power apps and online services for millions of users are channeling data out of the war zone through fiber-optic cables that

Iraq Expands Fiber Network and Signs Sixth Submarine

Together, these initiatives—domestic fiber expansion and international submarine connectivity—reflect the ministry's commitment to

Silk Route Transit

As a transit hub, Iraq will be able to link all the neighbouring countries to the global fibre optic network and act as the path of least resistance between Europe and Asia, fulfilling a long dream of ours to

Iraqi National Backbone

Fiber optics technology is considered the most environmentally friendly technology, unlike electromagnetic waves, as currently used with wireless

Iraq's Global Digital Corridor: Alternative Low-Latency

Diversified Routes - Iraq offers a viable alternative to over-saturated global network routes. As data demand increases, having multiple pathways

Big Tech is Moving Data Through the Gulf Using Fiber-Optic Cables ...

The company, based in Iraq's Kurdistan region, runs fiber from the southern tip of Iraq to the Turkish border. It is now extending the network through gas-pipeline corridors across Turkey to

iQ launches Silk Route Transit Network | Iraq Business

It says that Iraq, as a transit hub, can connect all the neighbouring countries to the global fibre-optic network and act as a path of least resistance

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