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Marine Installation of IRIS Cable System Commences from Iceland

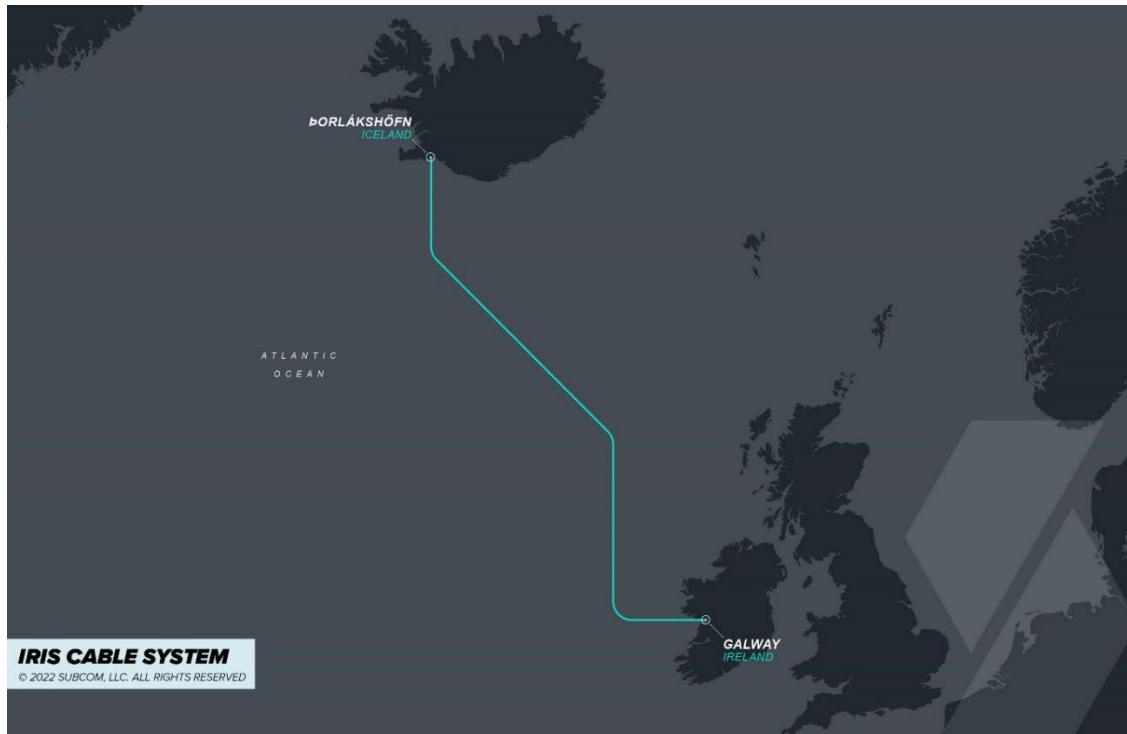
Reykjavík, Iceland - May 23, 2022 - [SubCom](#)'s cable installation vessel the *CS Durable*, landed the IRIS Subsea Telecoms Cable System successfully at Thorlakshofn beach in Iceland today. The event signifies the commencement of the marine installation of the IRIS cable system that [Farice](#) has been developing since 2019. During the summer months, SubCom's *CS Durable* will lay the cable south from Iceland to Galway, Ireland with final splice and completion of marine work planned for mid-August 2022.

Marine survey of the entire route was successfully undertaken by Farice in 2020 and 2021. This enabled SubCom to complete final design, preparation work, and manufacturing of the system during 2021-2022.

The installation of the cable will progress at approximately 20-200 km per day with burial or surface lay from Iceland to Ireland. The target burial depth of the cable is 1.5 m beneath the seabed in water depth of up to 1,500 m. Work on the terrestrial section of underground duct and a termination station in Galway, Ireland and Thorlakshofn, Iceland has taken place and the sites are ready to connect the submarine cable system.

The IRIS system will be ready for service in the beginning of 2023. It will be the third submarine fibre optic cable system connecting Iceland with Europe, providing further redundancy in telecommunication connection, with low latency connections around 10.5 ms, between Reykjavík and Dublin. The system will be integrated with Farice's network in Iceland and Europe to enhance the network and provide comprehensive, diverse, and secure connectivity between Farice's network POPs in Iceland and Europe.

System Map



About Farice

Farice is the owner and operator of two submarine fiber systems connecting Iceland to Europe, FARICE-1 and DANICE. Farice provides international wholesale connectivity services to telecom operators in Iceland, Faroe Islands and Greenland, and data centre customers in Iceland. The company provides diversified services to its customers including high capacity DWDM wavelengths, IP transit and Ethernet services. Farice is fully owned by the Icelandic Government and plays an important role in Iceland's infrastructure for the greater public good and economic life in Iceland. Visit: www.farice.is

About SubCom

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