



The bridge to possible

Migration to Multi-Region Fabric

Transform and Simplify Middle-mile Based Network Designs for Large Scale, Cloud and Colo based SD-WAN Networks

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- Migration from
 - OMP Core
 - BGP Core
- Conclusion

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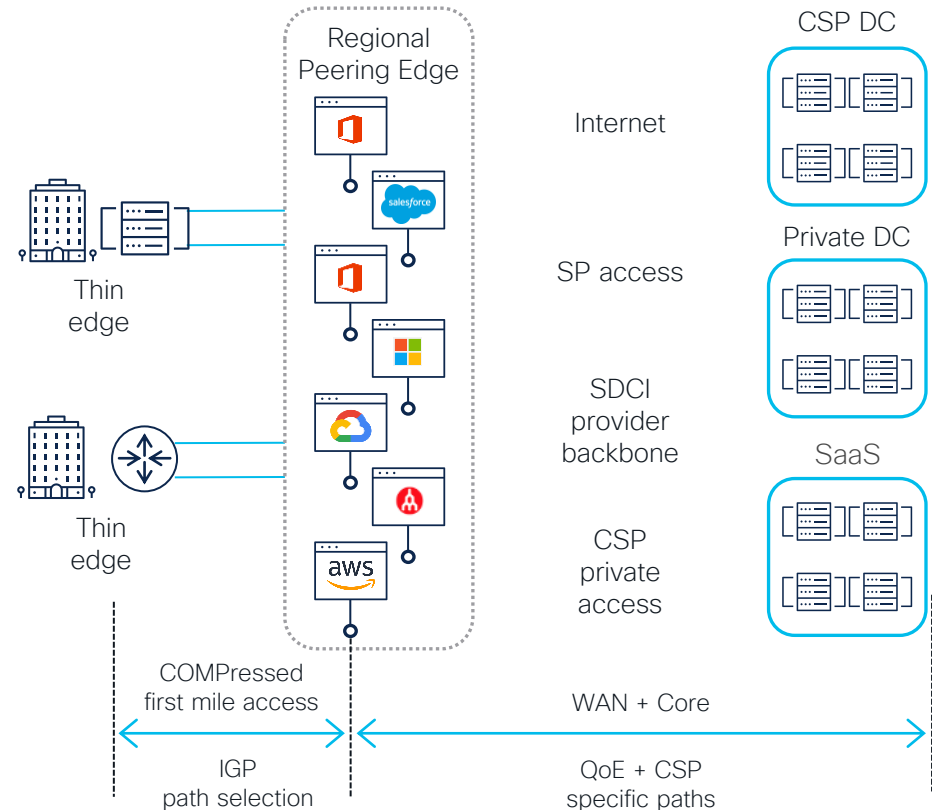


Overview & Why Multi-Region Fabric (MRF)

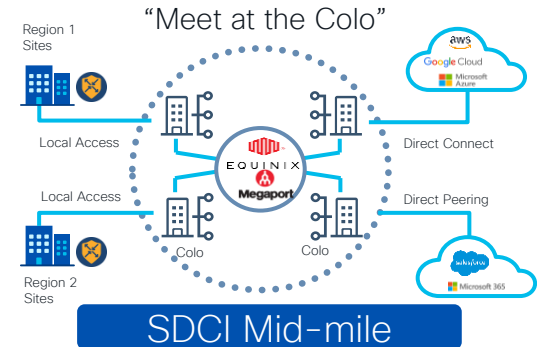
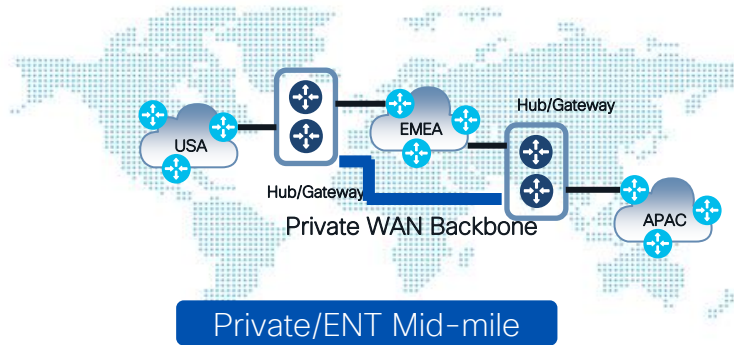
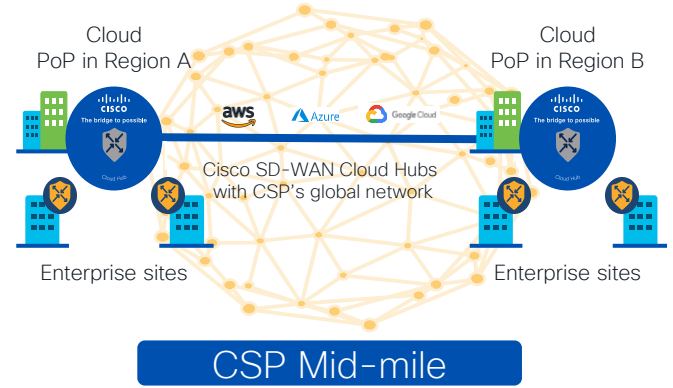
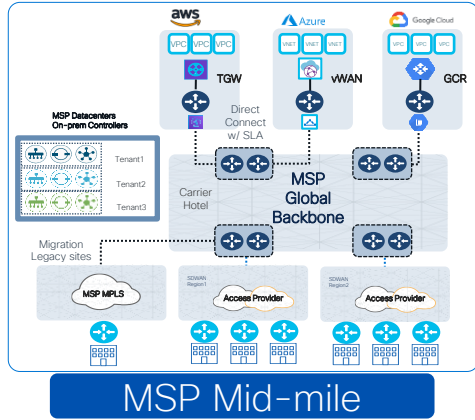
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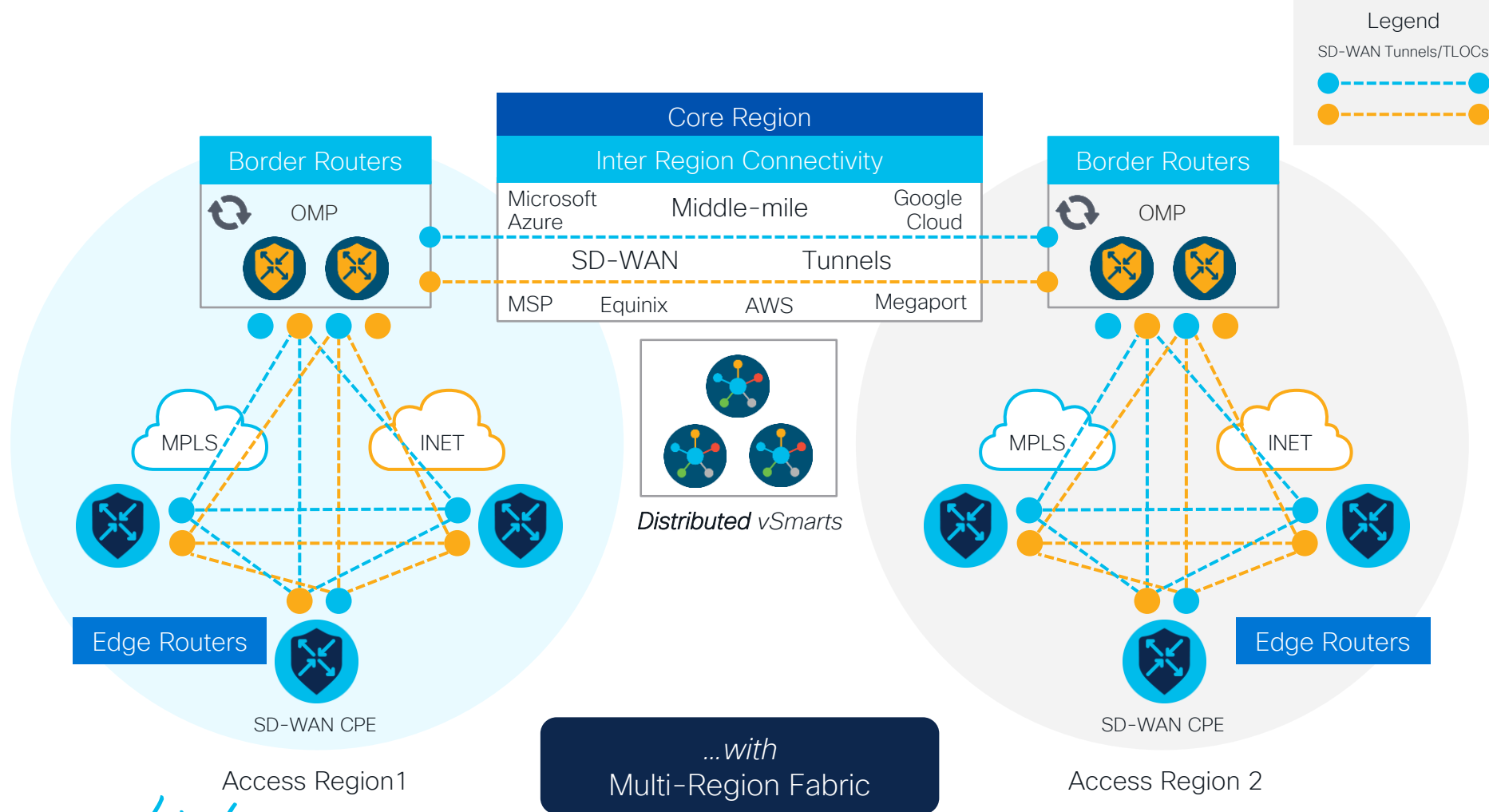
- The internet is changing from a network-of-networks to a network of data centers
- SDCI* and multiple provider backbones
- Large POP and Colo footprint
- Short-term contracts, usage-based
- Trending toward single ISP first-mile access
- On demand

*SDCI – Software Defined Cloud Interconnect

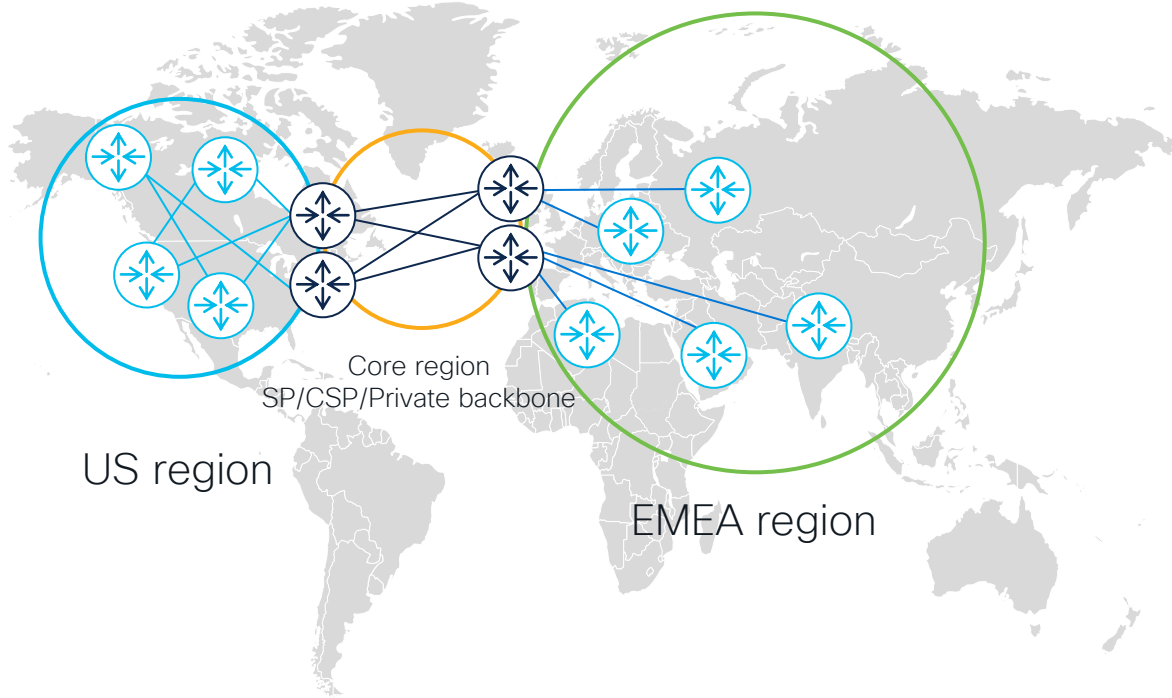


Typical WAN Blueprint





MRF – Key Capabilities



 BR/region hub

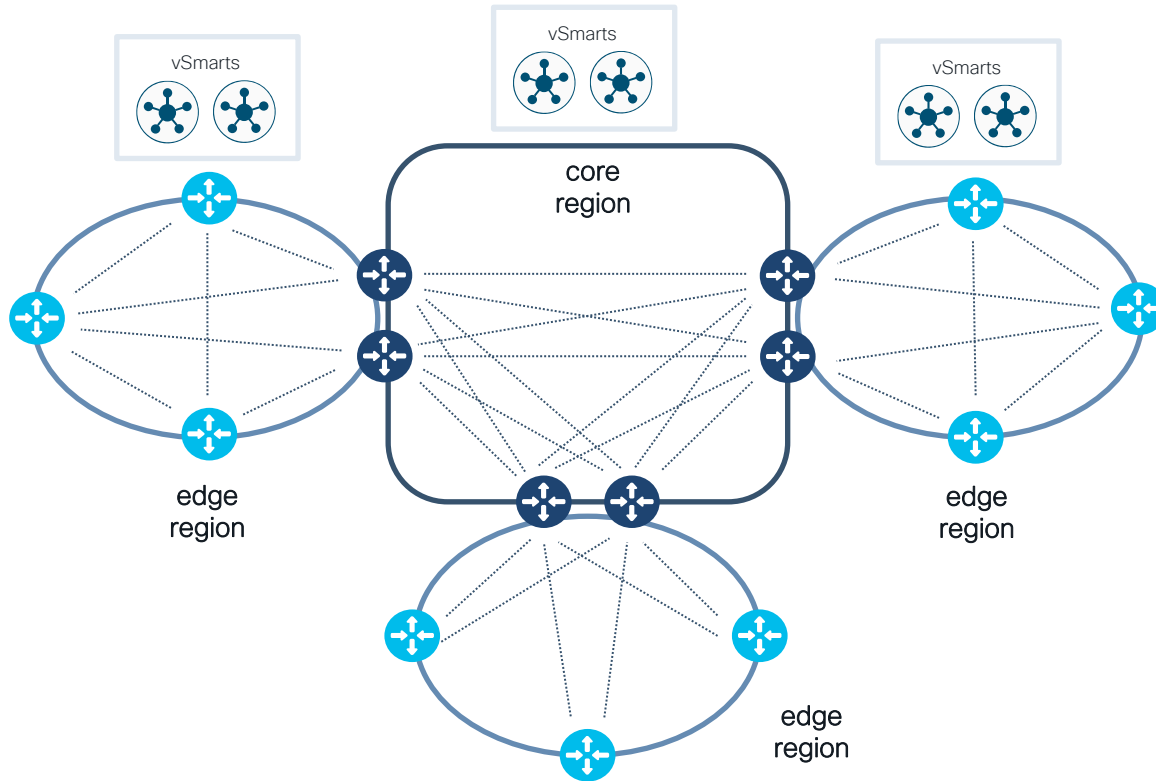
 ER/branch

- Intuitive user-defined site grouping. E.g. based on geo
- Finer grouping using sub-regions
- Auto restrict overlay tunnels between regions
- Different topologies per region
- Mix access transports across regions
- Scale up control-plane per region(s)

Multi-Region Fabric

A Quick Look

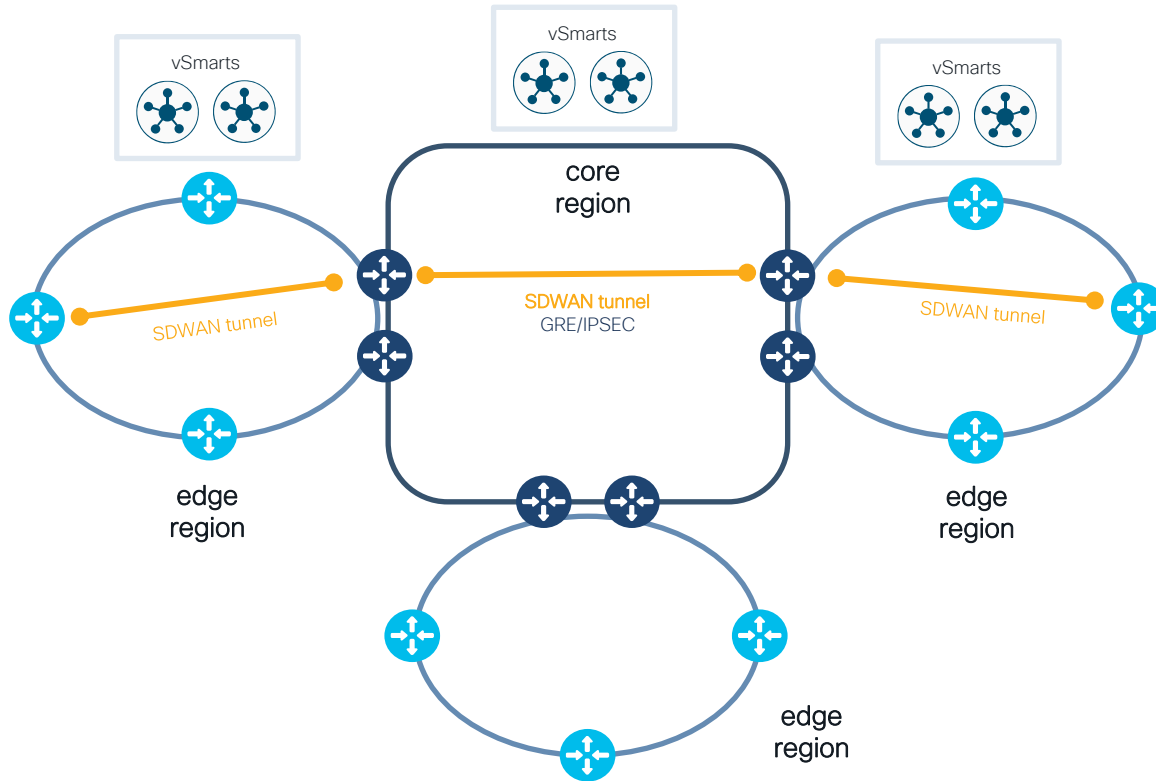
2-Level Topology – Region Aware



Topology

- 2-Layer Architecture
- SD-WAN Fabric organized in Regions
- Regions can be full mesh, partial mesh or hub and spoke
- Core recommended to be full mesh for any to any regional connectivity
- OMP and vSmart region aware
- Regions have Border Nodes in multiple POPs connected to Core
- Global reachability via multiple Border Routers in every Region
- Simplified Configuration (No Control Plane Policy required)

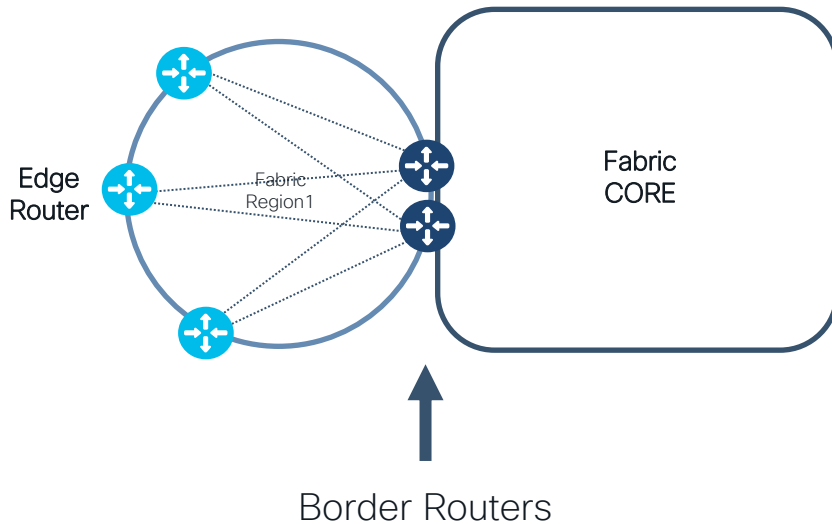
Topology – IP Forwarding



Topology

- SDWAN tunnels restricted by regions
- Hop by Hop tunnels
- Decrypt/Encrypt on all nodes along the path
- IP Lookup and Forwarding per node
- **Requires Service VPN** on intermediate nodes (Border Routers)
- Mix of encapsulation is possible GRE in core/access
Example: IPsec on access region and GRE on core

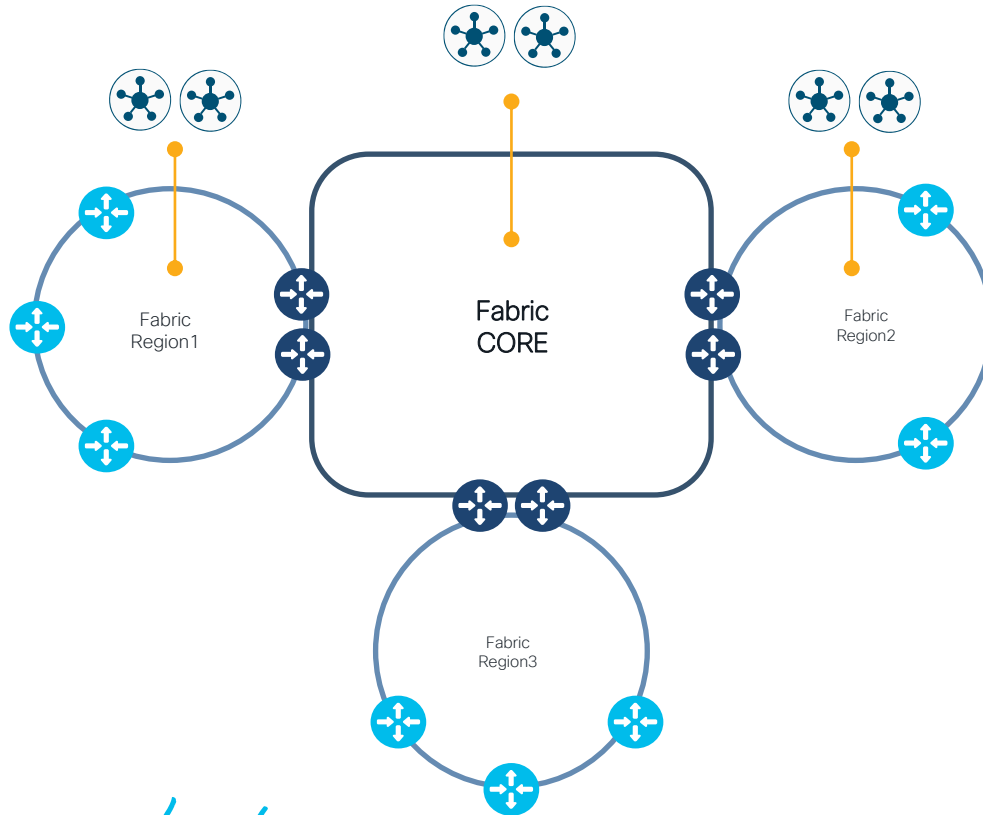
Border Router



What is Border Router?

- Provides inter-region connectivity by connecting regional overlay to a common core or back bone overlay
- Hardware Platform – XE SD-WAN routers
- Virtualized Function – CAT8000v
- Hosted in MSP POP, Cisco POP, CSP, SDCI
- Can be tunnel endpoints for multiple types of connections – SSL VPN (AnyConnect), IPSec
- Horizontally scalable
- Only serves 1 access and 1 core region

Distributed vSmarts



Regional vSmart

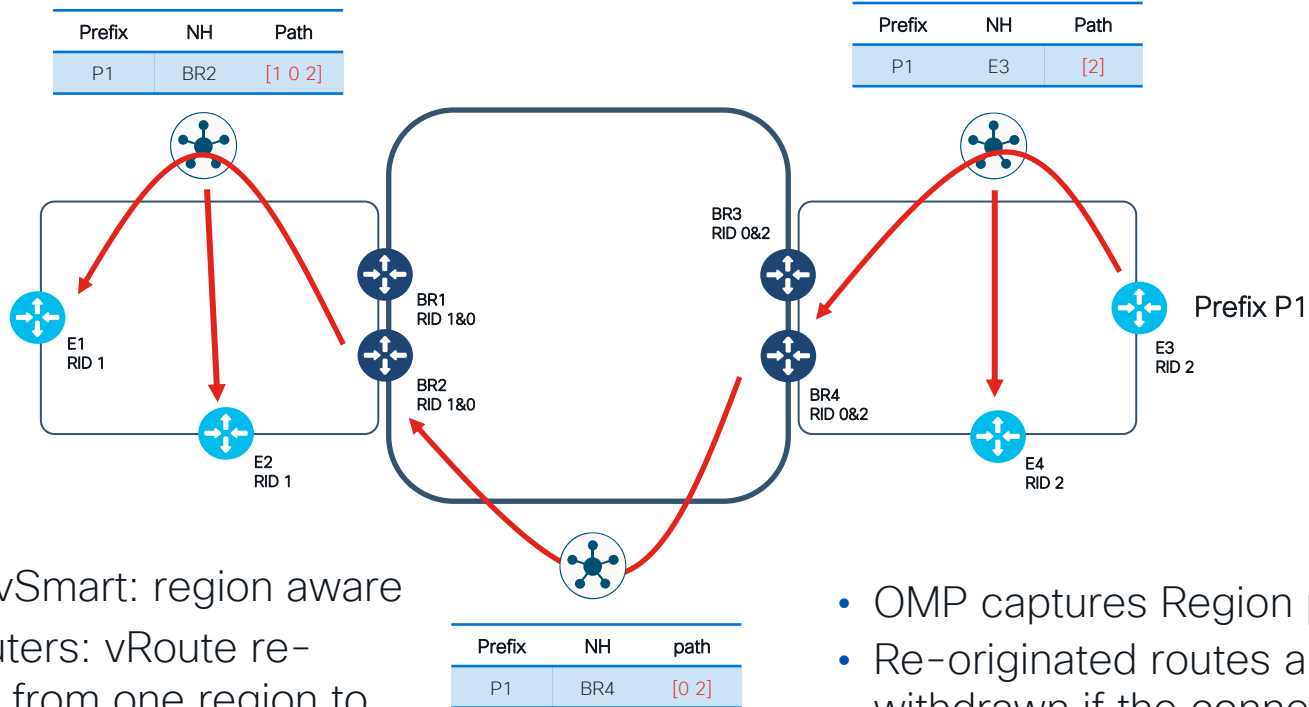
What:

- vSmart controllers become regional

Why:

- To allow for horizontal growth in number of edge routers
- To mitigate the path scale challenges
 - Less OMP peerings
 - Less paths per prefix (BR is the only GW)

Routing in Multi-Region Fabric

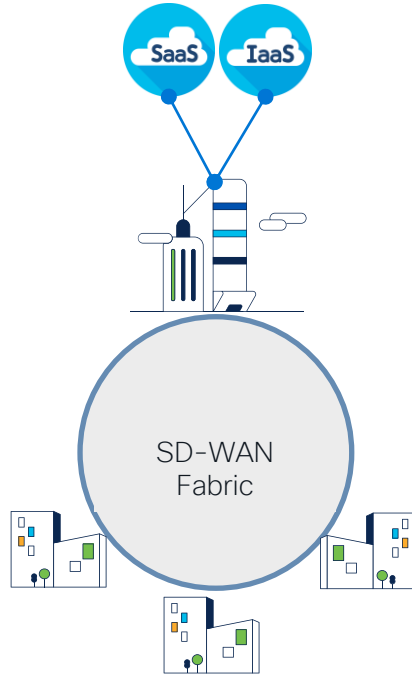


- OMP and vSmart: region aware
- Border routers: vRoute re-origination from one region to another

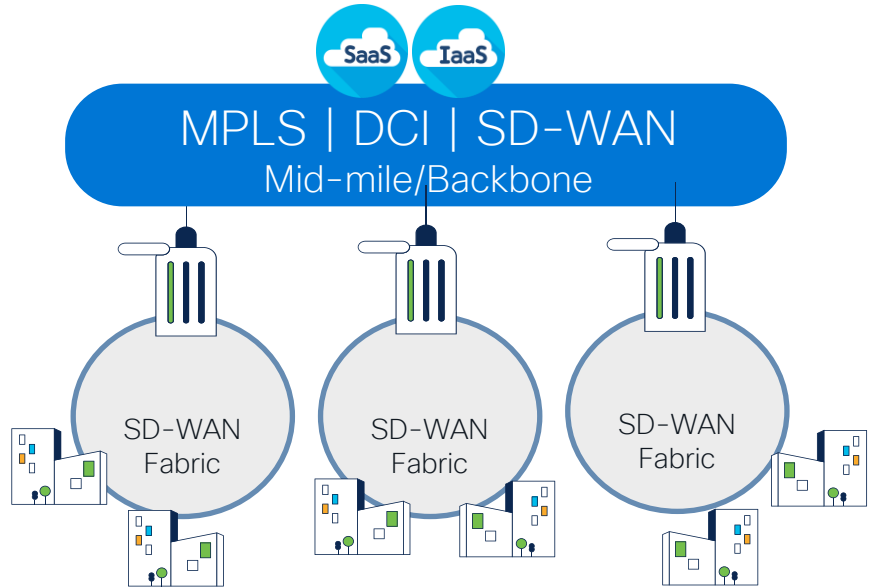
- OMP captures Region path
- Re-originated routes are withdrawn if the connectivity goes down

Design considerations

What does your SD-WAN network look like today?



Flat & Centralized Architecture



Hierarchical & Semi-centralized Architecture

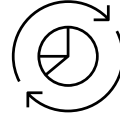
Migration Considerations



Network topology
Physical and logical
layout



Security and compliance
needs



Traffic patterns
Existing and future



Insights into
application needs,
minimum latency
requirements



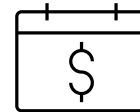
Reliability and
redundancy needs



Cloud connectivity
requirements



Scalability needs



Cost

Before the migration

Key design considerations



Identify/update criteria for grouping devices and number of groups needed

Geography

Nature of services/connectivity needed

Function

Types of applications



Map branch sites to groups



Identify regional aggregation sites for deployment

Leverage existing sites or new sites required?

On-prem (HW/CoLo) v. virtual (SDCI/cloud/SP hosted)



Identify WAN transports

For access-regions

For core-region

DCI / private backbone

SDCI

CSP backbone

SP backbone

Re-use existing WAN transports

Before the migration

Key design considerations



Understand intra-region and inter-region traffic patterns and future intent



Network scale at day1 v. at day N



Distributed vSmarts

For access-regions
For core-region

Cloud-hosted
On-prem

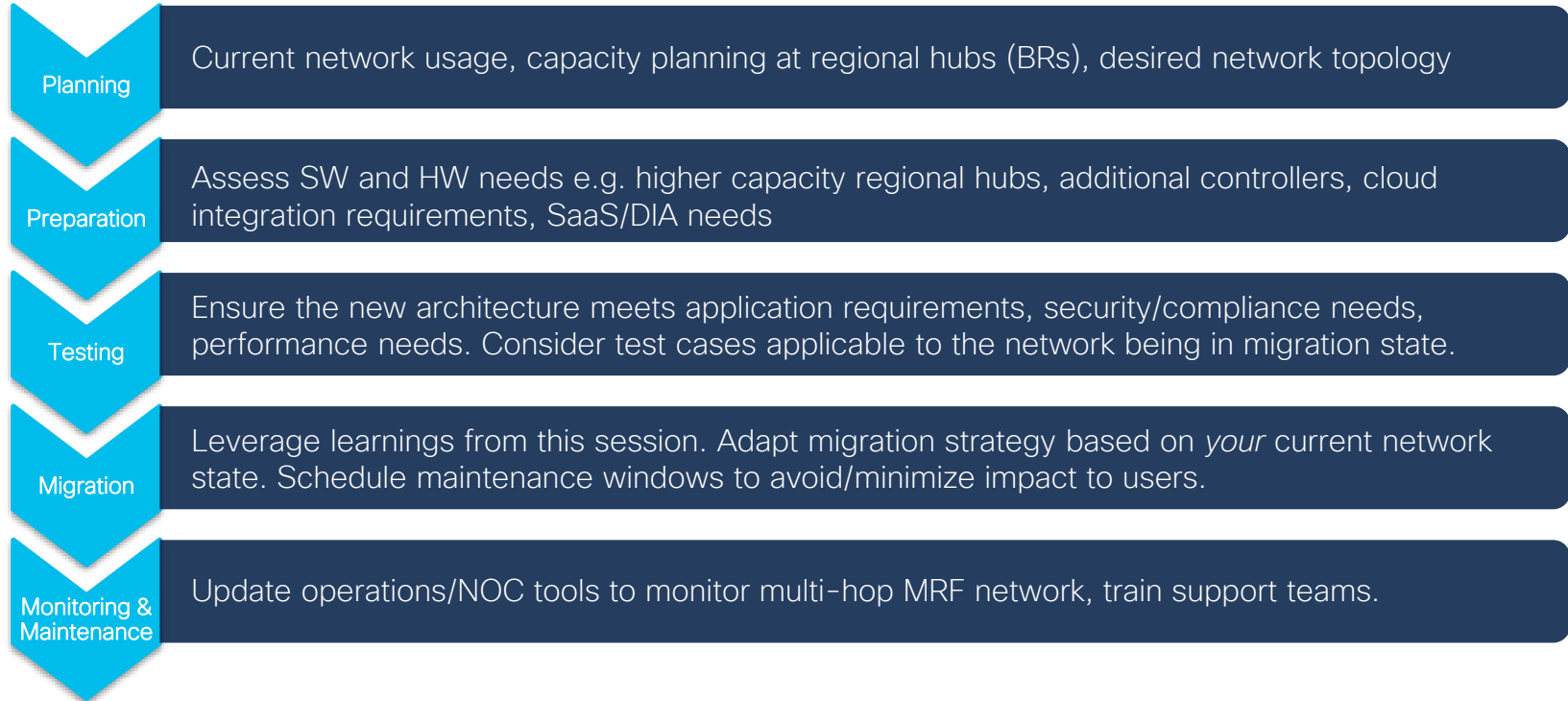


Software Versions

For controllers
For Edges

20.9/17.9 or later
recommended

Migration Checklist



Migration Steps

What is Migration Mode ?



Aids with migration
to MRF

Applied on Edge
(branch) and Border
(hub) routers only



Minimizes downtime

Keeps existing
fabric intact during
migration



Existing control
policies remain
intact

Keeps edge routers'
connectivity intact
existing vSmarts
(‘default’ region / non-
migrated vSmarts)

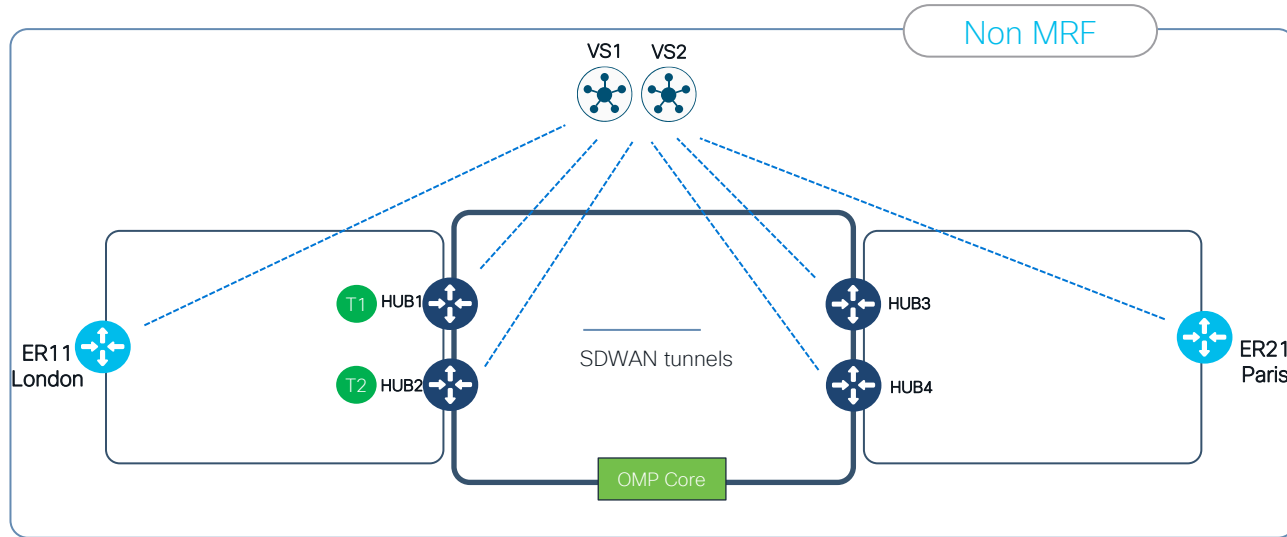


SDWAN BFD
tunnels to non-
migrated sites
remain intact

Communication from
migrated to non-
migrated sites is not
affected

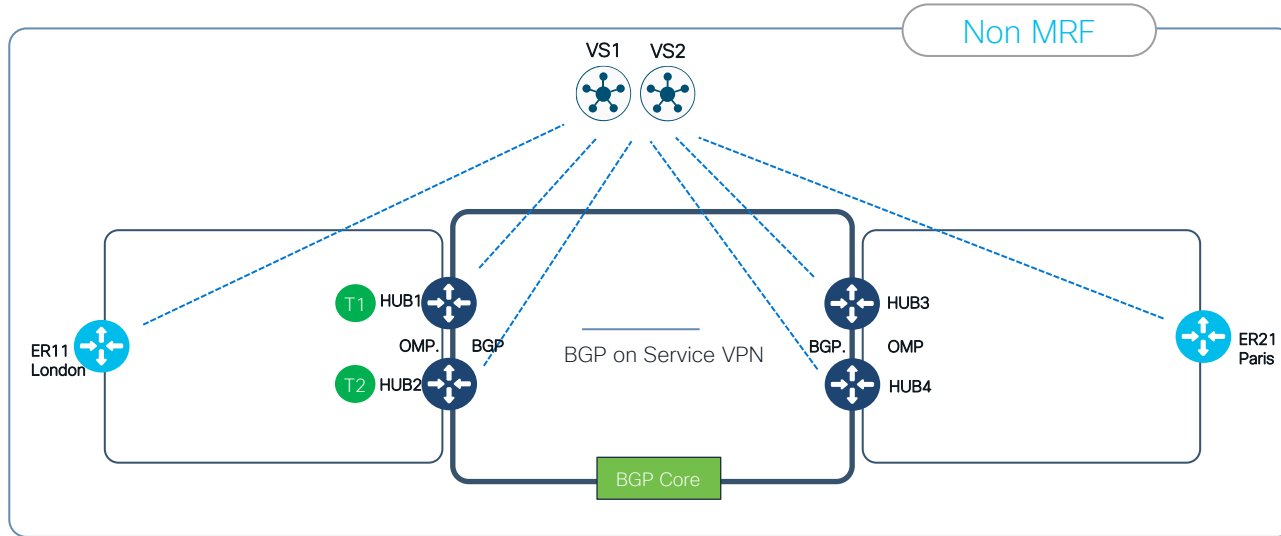
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- OMP based Core



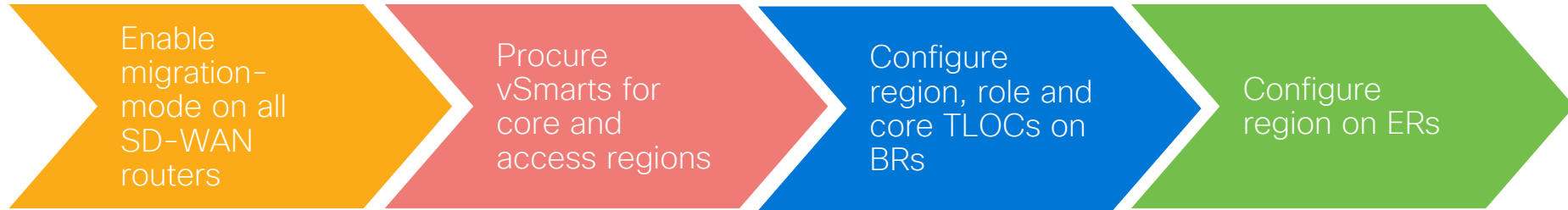
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- BGP based Core*



*Starting 20.9.2

Migration Steps High Level



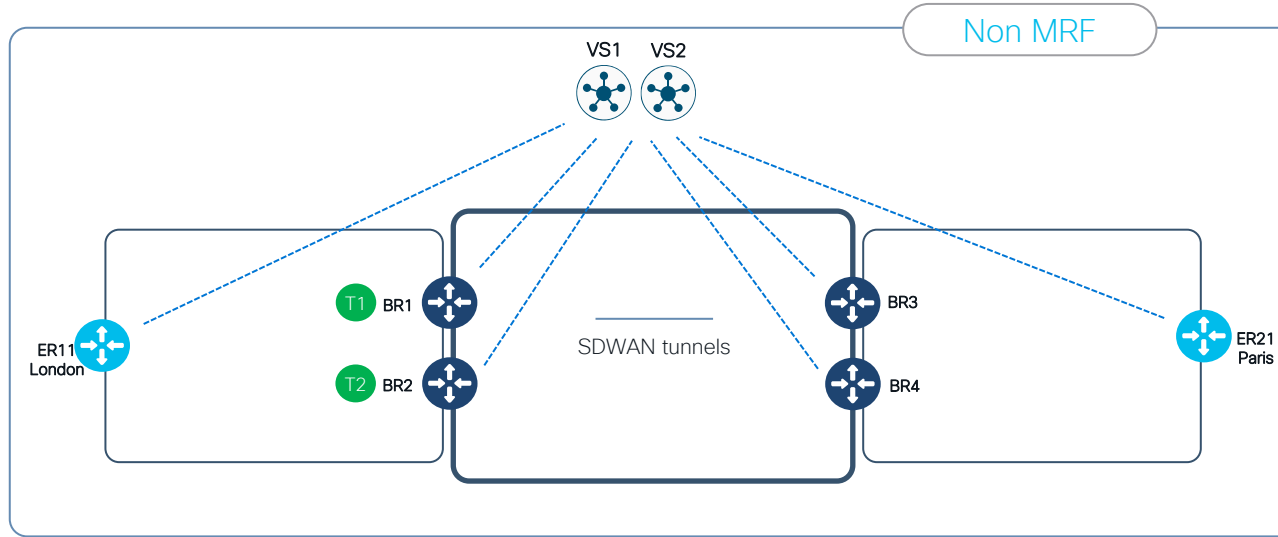
Migration Steps For OMP Core

Pre-Migration State

 HUB/Border Routers

 Edge Routers

 Control Connections



- Devices not operating in MRF mode
- Topology built with Control Plane Policies
- SDWAN Tunnels form an 'OMP core'
- Devices connected to centralized vSmarts (Default Region)

vSmart Connection

Routers connected
to default region
vSmart

```
ER11#sh sdwan OMP peer region-id
R -> routes received
I -> routes installed
S -> routes sent
```

TENANT ID	PEER	TYPE	DOMAIN ID	OVERLAY ID	SITE ID	REGION ID	STATE	UPTIME	R/I/S
0	<u>10.0.0.30</u>	vsmart	1	1	100	<u>None</u>	up	0:00:00:32	0/0/2

```
ER11#
```

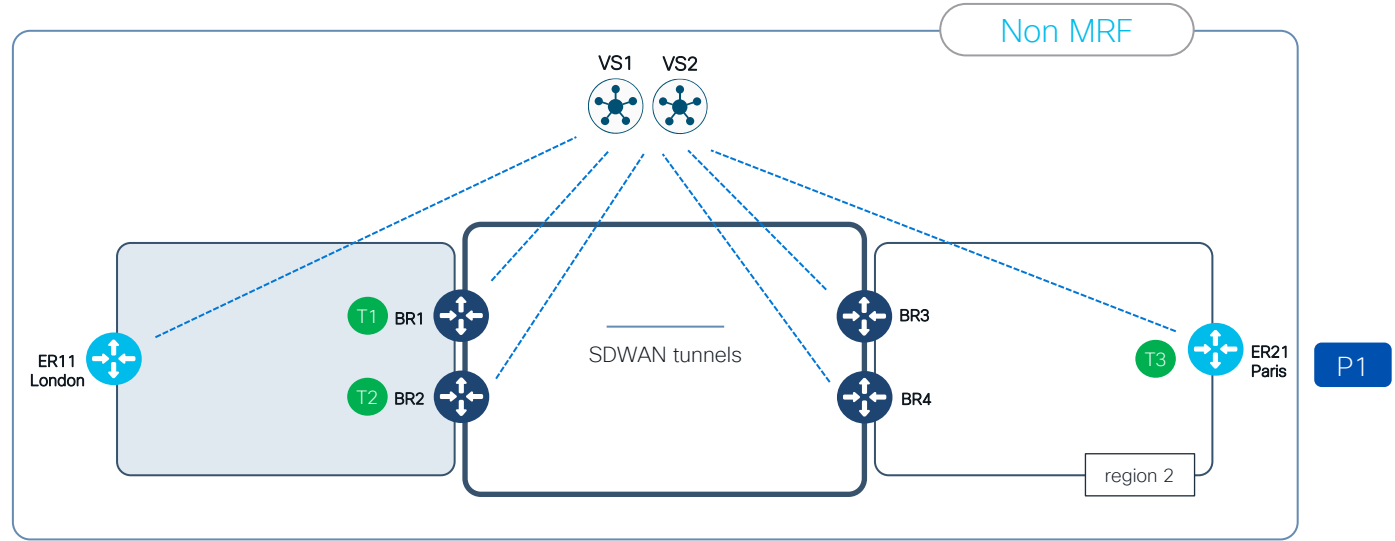
```
ER21#sh sdwan OMP peer region-id
R -> routes received
I -> routes installed
S -> routes sent
```

TENANT ID	PEER	TYPE	DOMAIN ID	OVERLAY ID	SITE ID	REGION ID	STATE	UPTIME	R/I/S
0	<u>10.0.0.30</u>	vsmart	1	1	100	<u>None</u>	up	0:00:00:22	0/0/2

```
ER21#
```

Pre-Migration State Routes

ER11 Routing Table			
Prefix	NH	Path	From
P1	T1	-	VS1, VS2
	T2		



- Prefixes advertised from SDWAN routers to centralized vSmart
- Prefixes/next-hop reflected to all devices in the overlay
- In this example, topology is built using advanced Control Plane Policies.
- Prefix P1 next-hop is statically changed from T3 to T1/T2

Logical Control Policy (OMP Core)

Region1 Branch Sites

TLOCs - Outbound Advertisements

Region1 Branches - All Colors
Region1 Gateways - All Colors
Default - reject

ROUTES - Outbound Advertisements

Region1 Branch Sites - Original TLOC
Region1 GW Sites - Original TLOC
Region2 branches - Region1 GW TLOC (mpls/inet)
Default - Reject

- No automatic configuration of Region
- Advanced Control Plane Policies - requires admin to know technical details of TLOCs, Routes and GW

Region1 GW Sites

TLOCs - Outbound Advertisements

Region1 Branches - All Colors
Region1 Gateways - All Colors
Region2 Gateways - private6 color
Default - reject

ROUTES - Outbound Advertisements

Region1 Branch Sites - Original TLOC
Region1 GW Sites - Original TLOC
Region2 branches - Region2 GW TLOC (private6)
Region3 branches - Region3 GW TLOC (private6)
[... etc ...]
Default - Reject

Central policy

Pre-migration configuration

```

policy
lists
  tloc-list BR1_CORE_TLOC
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color
  green encap ipsec
  !
  tloc-list BR1_TLOCS
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color lte
  encap ipsec
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color 3g
  encap ipsec
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color red
  encap ipsec
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color
  green encap ipsec
  !
  tloc-list BR2_CORE_TLOC
    tloc 175.2.13.10 color
  green encap ipsec
  !
  tloc-list BR2_TLOCS
    tloc 175.2.13.10 color lte
  encap ipsec
    tloc 175.2.13.10 color 3g
  encap ipsec
    tloc 175.2.13.10 color
  green encap ipsec
  !
  site-list AR1
    site-id 1100
    site-id 1300
  !
  site-list AR1_BR1
    site-id 1100
    site-id 11100
    site-id 1300
  !

```

```

site-list AR1_BR2
  site-id 1100
  site-id 1300
  site-id 22100
  !
  site-list AR2
    site-id 2100
  !
  site-list BR1
    site-id 11100
  !
  site-list BR1_AR2
    site-id 11100
    site-id 2100
  !
  site-list BR1_BR2
    site-id 11100
    site-id 22100
  !
  site-list BR1_BR2_AR1
    site-id 1100
    site-id 11100
    site-id 1300
    site-id 22100
  !
  site-list BR1_BR2_AR2
    site-id 11100
    site-id 2100
    site-id 22100
  !
  !

```

```

control-policy CP1
sequence 1
  match tloc
    site-list AR1_BR1
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 2
  match route
    site-list BR1_BR2_AR2
  !
  action accept
  set
    tloc-list BR1_TLOCS
  !
sequence 3
  match route
    site-list AR1
  !
  action accept
  !
default-action reject
!

control-policy CP2
sequence 1
  match tloc
    site-list AR1_BR2
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 2
  match route
    site-list AR1
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 3
  match route
    site-list BR2_AR2
  !
  action accept
  set
    tloc-list BR2_CORE_TLOC
  !
default-action reject
!

```

```

control-policy CP3
sequence 1
  match tloc
    site-list BR1_AR2
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 2
  match route
    site-list AR2
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 3
  match route
    site-list AR1_BR1
  !
  action accept
  set
    tloc-list BR1_CORE_TLOC
  !
  !
  default-action reject
  !

```

```

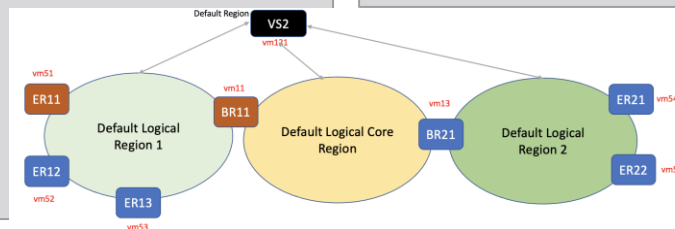
control-policy CP4
sequence 1
  match tloc
    site-list BR2_AR2
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 2
  match route
    site-list BR1_BR2_AR1
  !
  action accept
  set
    tloc-list BR2_TLOCS
  !
sequence 3
  match route
    site-list AR2
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
  default-action reject
  !

```

```

apply-policy
site-list AR1
  control-policy CP1 out
  !
site-list AR2
  control-policy CP4 out
  !
site-list BR1
  control-policy CP2 out
  !
site-list BR2
  control-policy CP3 out
  !

```

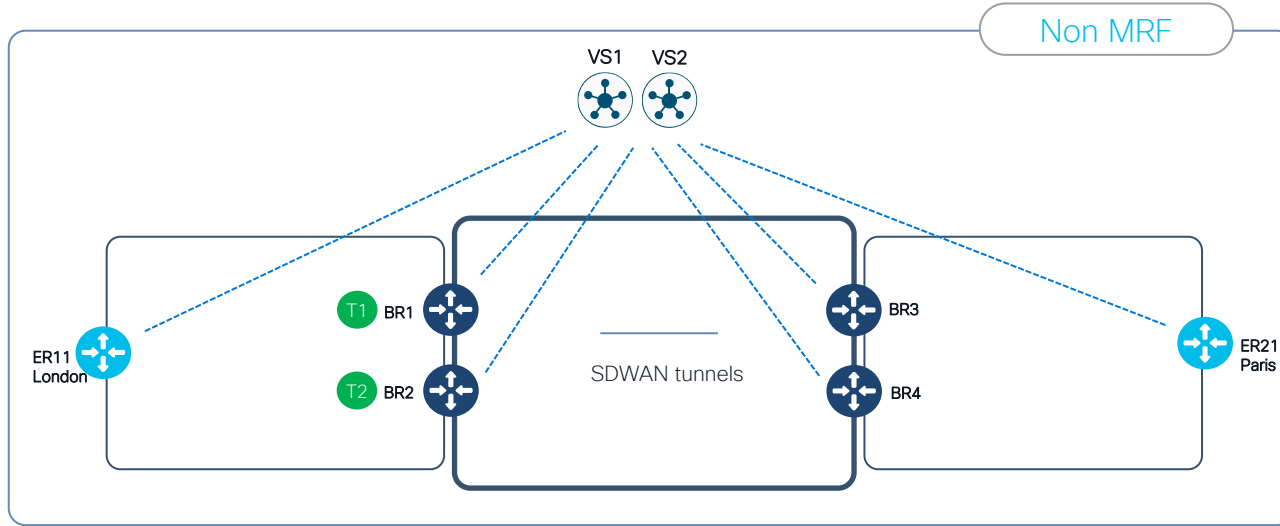


Step 1 : Enable MRF in vManage Settings

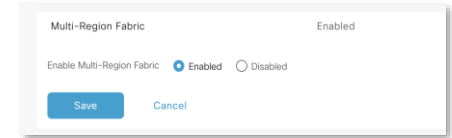
 HUB/Border Routers

 Edge Routers

 Control Connections



Enable MRF under Admin > Settings



- Enable MRF in vManage Settings.
- This will display MRF parameters like region, roles in device templates
- No change on devices

Step 2 : Configure Regions in Network Hierarchy Manager (NHM)

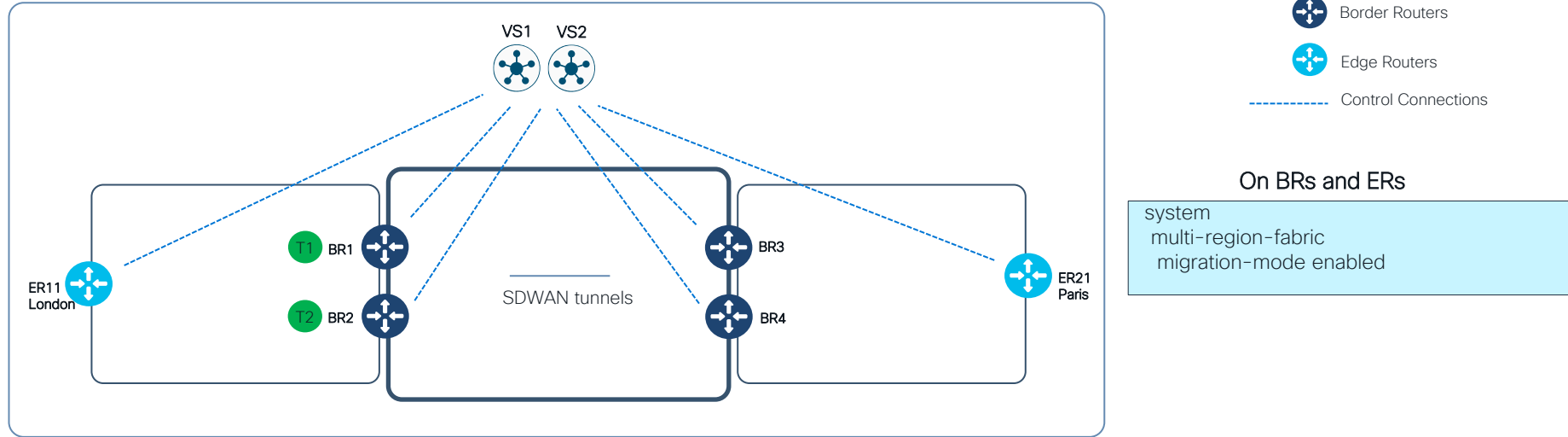
The image displays two screenshots of the Cisco SD-WAN Network Hierarchy Manager (NHM) interface, illustrating the configuration of regions.

Left Screenshot: The interface shows the 'Configuration • Network Hierarchy' view. The left-hand navigation pane lists regions under 'Global', 'France', 'UK', 'Germany', 'Secondary-region', and 'Core Region'. The 'France' region is selected, and a red box highlights the list of regions. The main area shows the 'Add Node' button and a table with columns: Name, Description, Type, and Region ID.

Right Screenshot: The interface shows the 'Configuration • Network Hierarchy' view. The left-hand navigation pane lists regions under 'Global', 'France', 'UK', 'Germany', 'Secondary-region', and 'Core Region'. The 'Paris' region is selected, and a red box highlights the details table.

Name	Description	Type	Site ID	Associated Devices
Paris	EQX Colo	SITE	61	2

Step 3 : Enable Migration Mode on BR and ER



- Border Router and Edge Router system feature templates
- Under system - **enable migration-mode enabled**
- There will be no impact on any communication after user configures migration mode

Step 3 : Enable Migration Mode on BR and ER

Cisco SDWAN

Select Resource Group

Configuration · Templates

Configuration Groups

Feature Profiles

Device Templates

Feature Templates

Feature Template > Cisco System > system_br10-1_10_05464d3b-f3e8-44af-b3bf-8af37ecad164_18-08-2022_16-59-43

Console Baud Rate (bps)

▼

9600

Maximum OMP Sessions

☑ ▼

Region ID

☑ ▼

Secondary Region ID

☑ ▼

Role

☑ ▼

Transport Gateway

☑ ▼

☐ On

☒ Off

Enable Migration Mode to Multi-Region Fabric

🌐 ▼

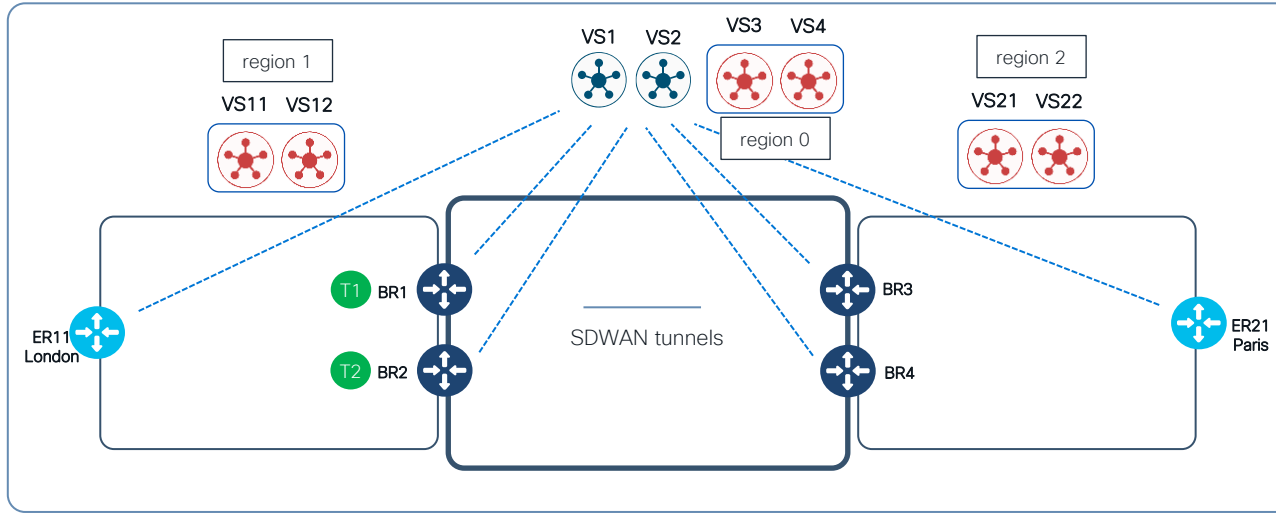
Enable ▼

Step 4 : Add Regional vSmarts

 HUB/Border Routers

 Edge Routers

 Control Connections



vSmarts

```
system
host-name VS3
system-ip 1.1.0.5
site-id 1
region 0

system
host-name VS11
system-ip 1.1.1.5
site-id 10
region 1

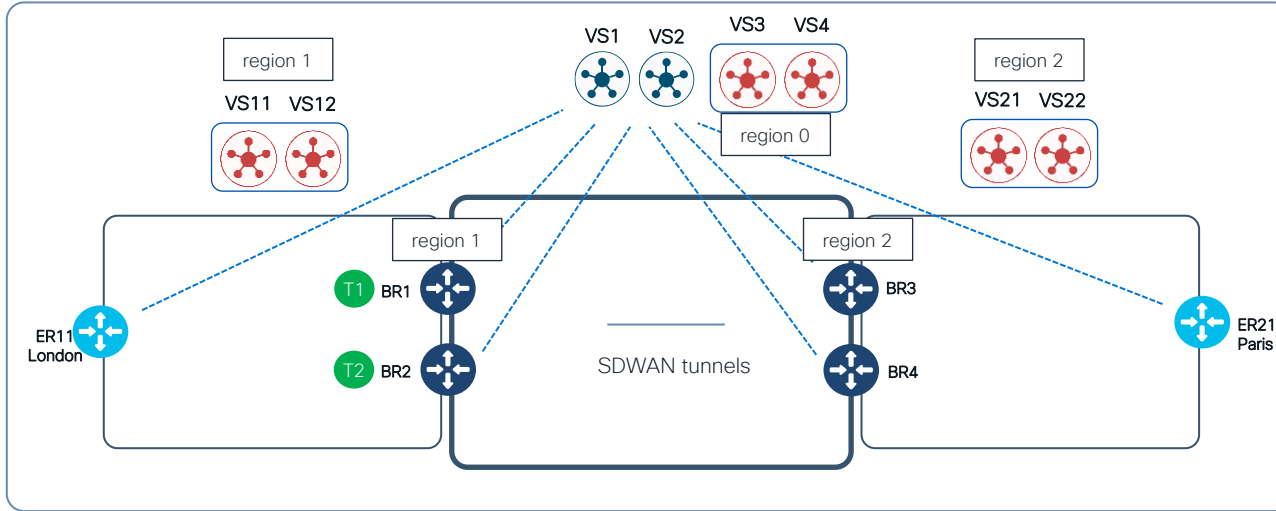
system
host-name VS21
system-ip 1.1.2.5
site-id 20
region 2
```

- Add additional vSmarts for core
- Add vSmarts for access regions depending on network sizing
 - Default vSmarts remain intact (for migration period; can be re-purposed later)
 - Access region vSmart can be shared
- Configure appropriate regions on vSmarts

Distributed vSmart sharing - Examples

vSmart Deployment cases in Regions		Supported ?	Why ?
vSmart Pair A, Region#	vSmart Pair B, Region#		
1,2	1,2	Y	vSmarts can be shared across same set of regions.
0	1,2	Y	vSmart for region 0 is separate from vSmart serving access-regions. A and B will not peer.
1,2	3,4	Y	vSmarts serving different access regions. A and B will not peer.
1,2,3	1,2,4	N	vSmarts have some partial overlapping regions
0,1	0,1	N	Region 0 can't be shared with access region vSmarts
0,1,2	1,2,3	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Region 0 can't be shared with access region vSmarts Both vSmarts have some partial overlapping regions

Step 5 : Configure MRF config on BRs



Configure Transport interface to the core

BRx

```
system
  region 1
  role border-router
  multi-region-fabric
  migration-mode enabled
!
sdwan
  interface GigabitEthernet1
  tunnel-interface
  region core
  color private6
!
  interface GigabitEthernet2
  tunnel-interface
  color biz-internet
!
```

All transport interfaces in Access Region

- Enabling BR and assigning region
 - Core region
- BR now are ready to
 - Interconnect the access-reg to the core and vice-versa (re-origination)
 - Interconnect existing/non-migrated sites to migrated sites
- Optional- core shared

Step 5 : MRF configurations on BRs

Configuration Groups

Feature Profiles

Device Templates

Feature Templates

Feature Template > Cisco System > system_br10-2_10_0a94b3bd-adcd-4765-b5cf-61dcc8b0ac75_18-08-2022_17-01-16

Location

✓

Device Groups

✓

Controller Groups

✓

Description

✓

Console Baud Rate (bps)

▼

9600

Maximum OMP Sessions

✓

Region ID

🌐

1

Secondary Region ID

✓

Role

🌐

Border Router

Transport Gateway

✓

☐ On

☒ Off

Enable Migration Mode to Multi-Region Fabric

🌐

Enable

Step 5 : MRF config on BRs—role/region

Feature Template > Cisco VPN Interface Ethernet > interface_GigabitEthernet3_18-08-2022_16-59-51

Advanced Options ▾

Settings

Enable Core Region ☒ On ☐ Off

Core Region ☐ Only in Core Region ▾

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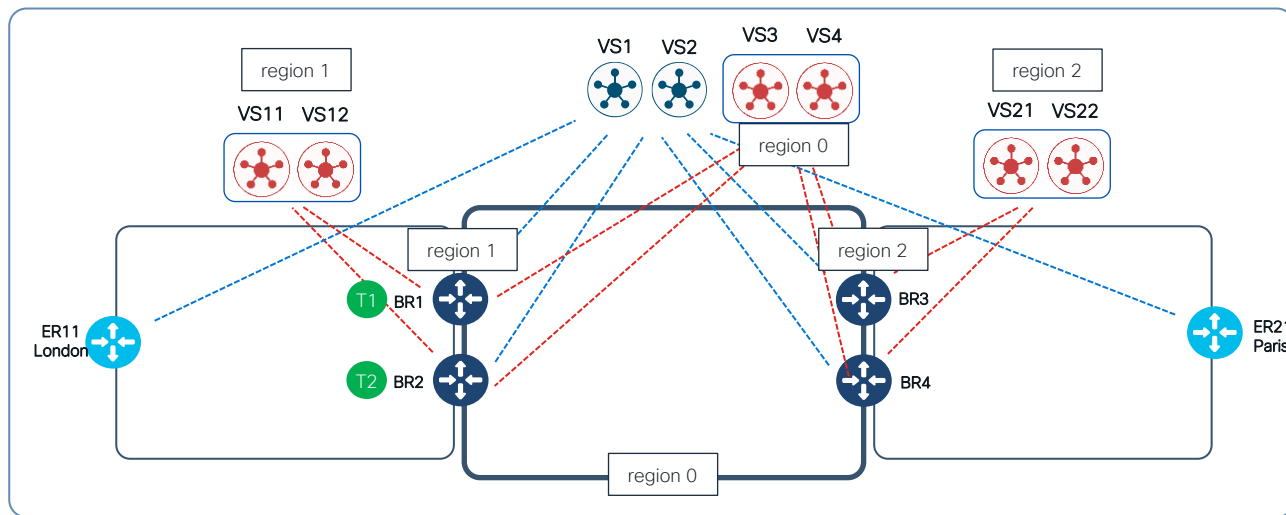
Advanced Options ▾

Settings

Enable Core Region ☒ On ☐ Off

Core Region ☐ Shared Between Core and Pi ▾

Border Routers connect to new region vSmarts



- Config change pushed to all BR devices
- Border Routers connect to **access and core region vSmart** but keep existing connections to default region vSmarts
- **Prefixes still advertised from old centralized vSmarts VS1/VS2**

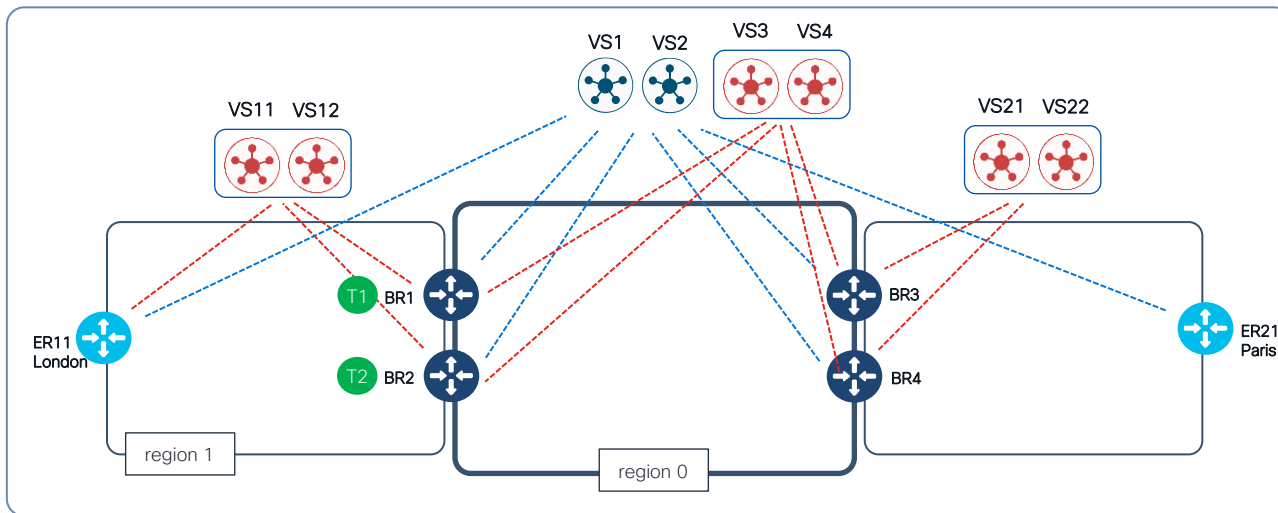
Step 6 : Migrate Edge Routers in Region 1 (London)

Border Routers

Edge Routers

Control Connections

Regional Control Connections



ER

system
region 1
role edge-router
multi-region-fabric
migration-mode
enabled

- Config change pushed to devices in region1
- Configure secondary region (if required)
- Devices in region1 connect to region 1 vSmart but keep existing connections to old vSmarts

Step 6 : Migrate Edge Routers in Region1

Feature Template > Cisco System > system_cEdge-r10-site101_101_7d6221da-c0ee-4fc0-8492-571298096ada_18-08-2022_19-05-04

Location	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Device Groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Controller Groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Description	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Console Baud Rate (bps)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="9600"/>
Maximum OMP Sessions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Region ID	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>
Secondary Region ID	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Role	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Transport Gateway	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/> On <input checked="" type="radio"/> Off
Enable Migration Mode to Multi-Region Fabric	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>

Region 1 – ER11(London)

```
ER11#sh sdwan OMP peer region-id
```

```
R -> routes received
```

```
I -> routes installed
```

```
S -> routes sent
```

TENANT ID	PEER	TYPE	DOMAIN ID	OVERLAY ID	SITE ID	REGION ID	STATE	UPTIME	R/I/S
0	<u>10.0.0.22</u>	vsmart	1	1	100	<u>1</u>	up	0:00:00:22	24/12/4
0	10.0.0.30	vsmart	1	1	100	None	up	0:00:00:18	2/1/4

```
ER11#
```

- ER11 migrated to MRF with migration-mode enabled
- Connected to both region-aware vSmart and old vSmart
- Verify connectivity between both regions' edges

Region 2 – ER21(Paris)—still not migrated

```
ER21#sh sdwan OMP peer region-id
R -> routes received
I -> routes installed
S -> routes sent
```

TENANT ID	PEER	TYPE	DOMAIN ID	OVERLAY ID	SITE ID	REGION ID	STATE	UPTIME	R/I/S
0	<u>10.0.0.30</u>	vsmart	1	1	100	<u>None</u>	up	0:00:00:22	0/0/2

ER21#

- ER21 not migrated to MRF
- Connected to old vSmart
- Advertises routes to old vSmart

Region 1 – London (ER11) – OMP Route



```
ER11#sh sdwan OMP route 10.10.10.105/32
Code:
C -> chosen
I -> installed
Red -> redistributed
Rej -> rejected
L -> looped
R -> resolved
S -> stale
Ext -> extranet
Inv -> invalid
Stg -> staged
IA -> On-demand inactive
U -> TLOC unresolved
BR-R -> border-router reoriginated
TGW-R -> transport-gateway reoriginated
```

TENANT	VPN	PREFIX	FROM PEER	PATH ID	LABEL	STATUS	ATTRIBUTE TYPE	TLOC IP	COLOR	ENCAP	PREFERENCE	AFFINITY GROUP NUMBER	REGION ID	REGION PATH
0	10	10.10.10.105/32	10.0.0.30	1	1002	C,I,R	installed	10.0.0.105	mpls	ipsec	-	None	None	-
			10.0.0.30	2	1002	R	installed	10.0.0.105	biz-internet	ipsec	-	None	None	-

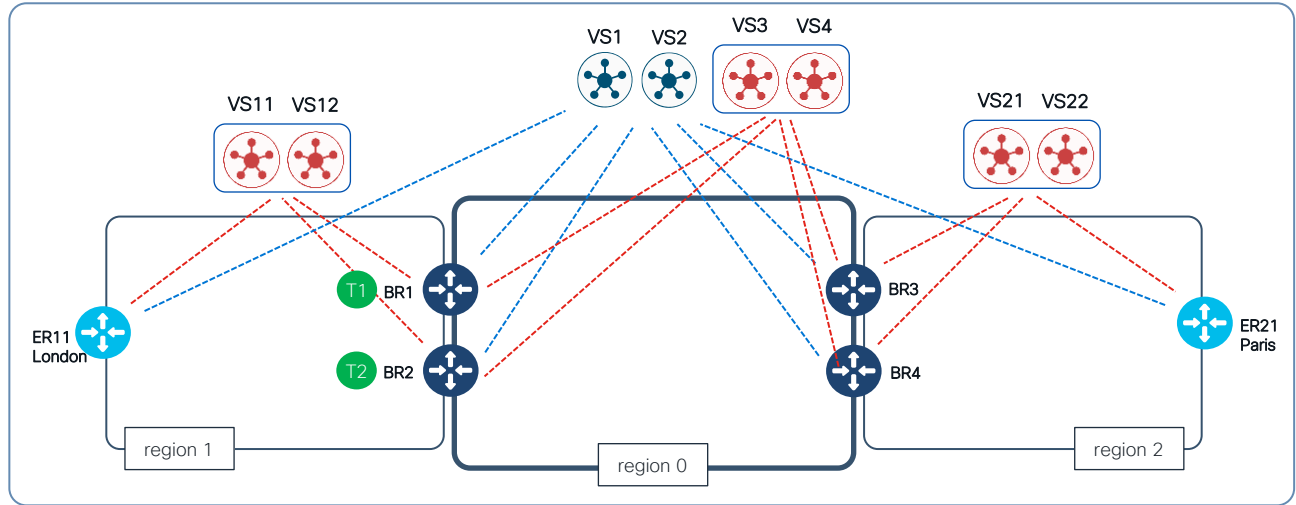
ER11#

Region2 not migrated - P1 prefix still advertised to/from old vSmarts VS1/VS2 → ER11 learns ER21 route from old vSmart

Step 6b – Migrate Edge Routers in Paris (Region2)

OMP will prefer region aware route vs route from default region

London Routing Table			
Prefix	NH	Path	From
P1	T1	1 0 2	VS11
	T2		VS12
P1	T1	None	VS1 VS2
	T2		



- Devices in region2 connect to access region2 vSmart but keep existing connections to default vSmarts
- P1 advertised to old vSmarts and new region vSmarts VS21-VS22
- ER11 receives P1 prefix from VS11-VS12 through BR re-origination and also from VS1-VS2

Region 2 – ER21 (Paris)

```
ER21#sh sdwan OMP peer region-id
```

```
R -> routes received
```

```
I -> routes installed
```

```
S -> routes sent
```

TENANT ID	PEER	TYPE	DOMAIN ID	OVERLAY ID	SITE ID	REGION ID	STATE	UPTIME	R/I/S
0	10.0.0.23	vsmart	1	1	100	2	up	0:00:00:05	28/14/2
0	10.0.0.30	vsmart	1	1	100	None	up	0:00:00:05	4/0/2

```
ER21#
```

- ER21 now migrated to MRF with migration-mode enabled
- Connected to both region vSmart and old vSmart
- Advertises route to both vSmart (region-aware and current/default)

Region 2 – ER21

```
ER11#sh sdwan OMP route 10.10.10.105/32
```

```
Code:
```

```
C -> chosen
```

```
I -> installed
```

```
Red -> redistributed
```

```
Rej -> rejected
```

```
L -> looped
```

```
R -> resolved
```

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S -> stale
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Ext -> extranet
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Stg -> staged
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IA -> On-demand inactive
```

```
U -> TLOC unresolved
```

```
BR-R -> border-router reoriginated
```

```
TGW-R -> transport-gateway reoriginated
```

P1

10.10.10.105

TENANT	VPN	PREFIX	FROM PEER	PATH ID	LABEL	STATUS	ATTRIBUTE TYPE	TLOC IP	COLOR	ENCAP	PREFERENCE	AFFINITY GROUP NUMBER	REGION ID	REGION PATH
0	10	10.10.10.105/32	<u>10.0.0.22</u>	9	1003	C,I,R	installed	10.0.0.61	biz-internet	ipsec	-	None	1	<u>1 0 2</u>
			10.0.0.30	10	1003	R	installed	10.0.0.61	biz-internet	ipsec	-	None	None	-

```
ER11#
```

ER11 now learns route from region vSmart with Region path is
[1 0 2]

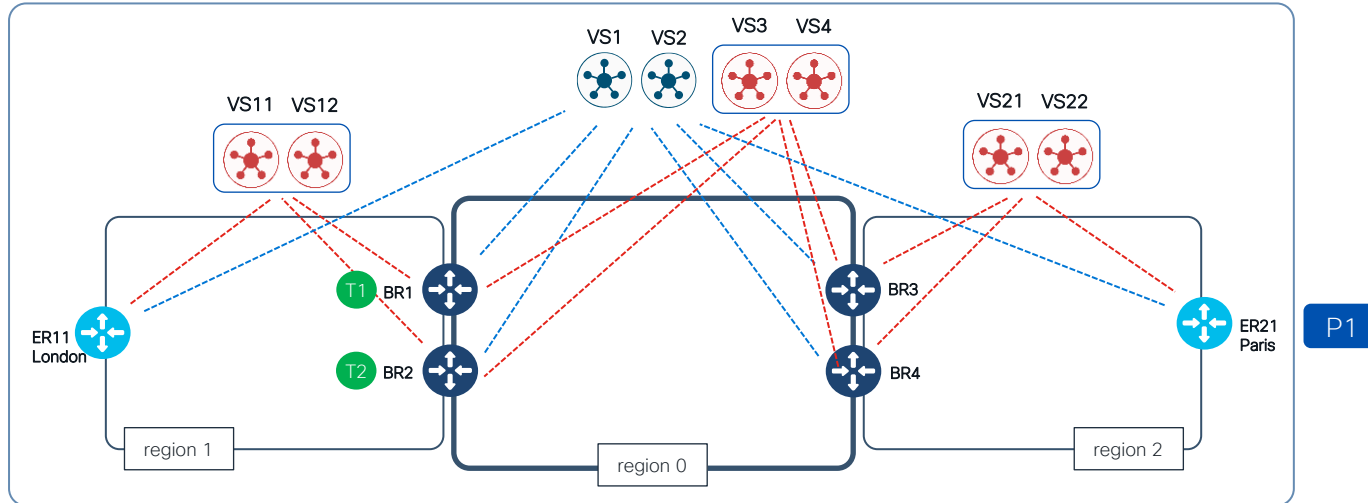
Wrap-up : Clean-up Configs

Remove
Migration Mode from
the BRs

Remove
Migration Mode
configs from the ERs.

Decommission
or
Re-purpose the
Default Region
vSmart.

De-activate
hop-by-hop
centralized policies

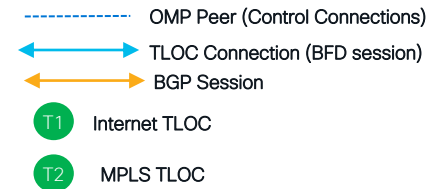


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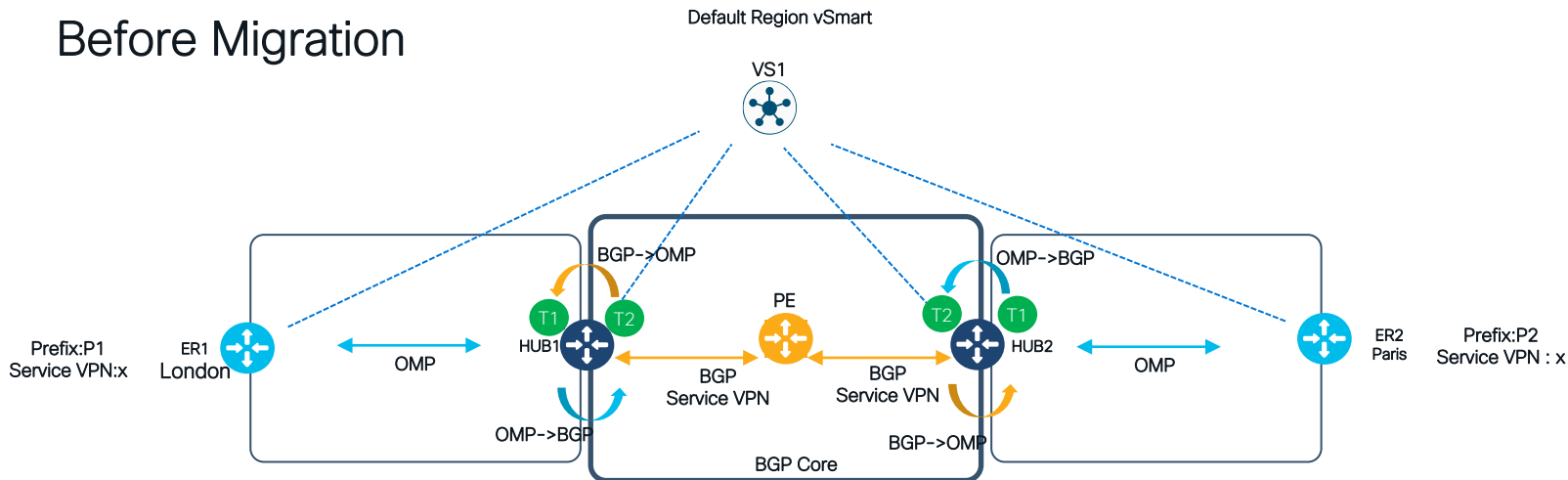
- Pay close attention to your pre-MRF control policies and their intent
- Update control policies during the course of migration to avoid blocking routes/TLOCs originated by Borders
- Test out your migration plan with production configs in your lab

Migration Steps For BGP Core

Sample Topology



Before Migration



- BGP-based core
- OMP<->BGP redistribution
- Control policy to route traffic

Logical Control Policy (BGP Core)

Region1 Branch Sites

TLOCs – Outbound Advertisements

Region1 Branches – All Colors
Region1 Gateways – All Colors
Default – reject

ROUTES – Outbound Advertisements

Region1 Branch Sites – Original TLOC
Region1 GW Sites – Original TLOC
**Region2 branches – Region1 GW TLOC
(mpls/inet)**
Default – Reject

- No automatic configuration of Region
- Advanced Control Plane Policies – requires admin to know technical details of TLOCs, Routes and GW

Region1 GW Sites

TLOCs – Outbound Advertisements

Region1 Branches – All Colors
Region1 Gateways – All Colors
Default – reject

ROUTES – Outbound Advertisements

Region1 Branch Sites – Original TLOC
Region1 GW Sites – Original TLOC
[... etc ...]
Default – Reject

Sample Policy with 2 regions

```

policy
lists
  tloc-list BR1_CORE_TLOC
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color green encap
ipsec
  !
  tloc-list BR1_TLOCS
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color lte encap ipsec
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color 3g encap ipsec
    tloc 175.1.11.10 color red encap ipsec
  !
  tloc-list BR2_CORE_TLOC
    tloc 175.2.13.10 color green encap
ipsec
  !
  tloc-list BR2_TLOCS
    tloc 175.2.13.10 color lte encap ipsec
    tloc 175.2.13.10 color 3g encap ipsec
  !
  site-list AR1
    site-id 1100
    site-id 1300
  !
  site-list AR1_BR1
    site-id 1100
    site-id 11100
    site-id 1300
  !

```

```

site-list AR1_BR2
  site-id 1100
  site-id 1300
  site-id 22100
  !
  site-list AR2
    site-id 2100
  !
  site-list BR1
    site-id 11100
  !
  site-list BR1_AR2
    site-id 11100
    site-id 2100
  !
  site-list BR1_BR2
    site-id 11100
    site-id 22100
  !
  site-list BR1_BR2_AR1
    site-id 1100
    site-id 11100
    site-id 1300
    site-id 22100
  !
  site-list BR1_BR2_AR2
    site-id 11100
    site-id 2100
    site-id 22100
  !
  site-list BR2
    site-id 22100
  !
  site-list BR2_AR2
    site-id 2100
    site-id 22100
  !
  !

```

```

control-policy CP1
sequence 1
  match tloc
  !
  site-list AR1_BR1
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
sequence 2
  match route
  !
  site-list BR2_AR2
  !
  action accept
  set
  tloc-list BR1_TLOCS
  !
  !
sequence 3
  match route
  !
  site-list AR1_BR1
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
default-action reject

```

```

control-policy CP2
sequence 1
  match tloc
  !
  site-list AR1_BR1
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
sequence 2
  match route
  !
  site-list AR1_BR1
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
default-action
reject

```

```

control-policy CP3
sequence 1
  match tloc
  !
  site-list BR2_AR2
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
sequence 2
  match route
  !
  site-list BR2_AR2
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
default-action reject

```

```

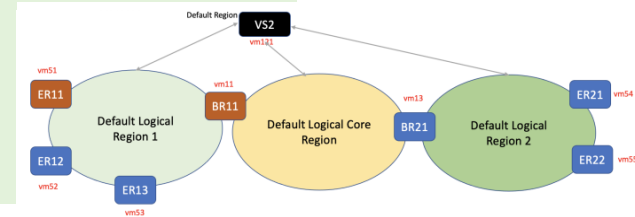
control-policy CP4
sequence 1
  match tloc
  !
  site-list BR2_AR2
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
sequence 2
  match route
  !
  site-list AR1_BR1
  !
  action accept
  set
  tloc-list BR2_TLOCS
  !
  !
sequence 3
  match route
  !
  site-list BR2_AR2
  !
  action accept
  !
  !
default-action reject

```

```

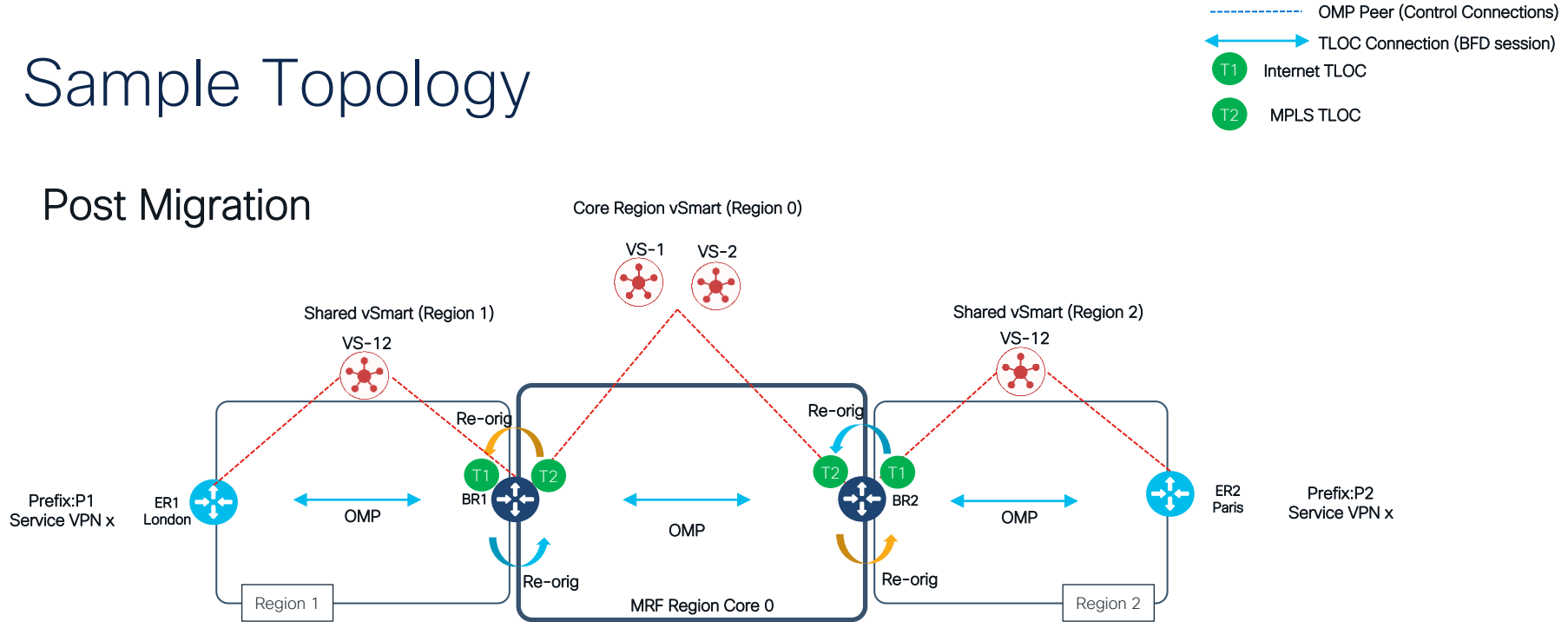
apply-policy
site-list AR1
  control-policy CP1 out
  !
  site-list AR2
  control-policy CP4 out
  !
  site-list BR1
  control-policy CP2 out
  !
  site-list BR2
  control-policy CP3 out
  !

```

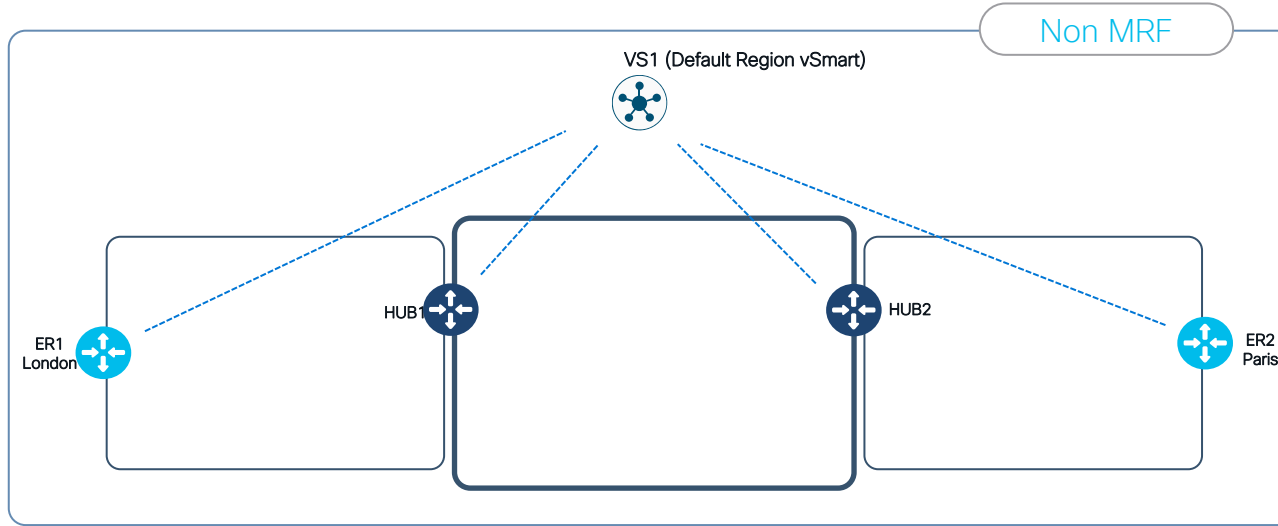
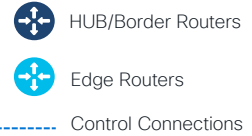


Sample Topology

Post Migration



Step 1a – Enable MRF in vManage Settings



Administration Settings

Statistics Configuration	Collection Interval: 5 minutes
Maintenance Window	Not Configured
Identity Provider Settings	
Statistics Database Configuration	Maximum Available Space: 58
Multi-Region Fabric	Enabled
Enable Multi-Region Fabric	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Enabled <input type="radio"/> Disabled

- Enable MRF in vManage Settings.
- This will display MRF parameters like region, roles in configuration templates
- No config changes propagated to devices, yet

Step 2 : Configure Regions in Network Hierarchy Manager (NHM)

The image displays two screenshots of the Cisco SD-WAN Network Hierarchy Manager (NHM) interface, illustrating the configuration of regions.

Left Screenshot: Add Node Form

- Header:** Cisco SD-WAN, Select Resource Group, Configuration • Network Hierarchy
- Search:** Search
- Left Sidebar:** A list of regions under 'Global'. The 'France' region is expanded, showing a list of cities: Paris, Lyon, Lille, and Nice. The 'France' region is highlighted with a red box.
- Form Fields:** A red box highlights the 'Add Node' form fields: Name, Description, Type, and Region ID.

Right Screenshot: Node Configuration

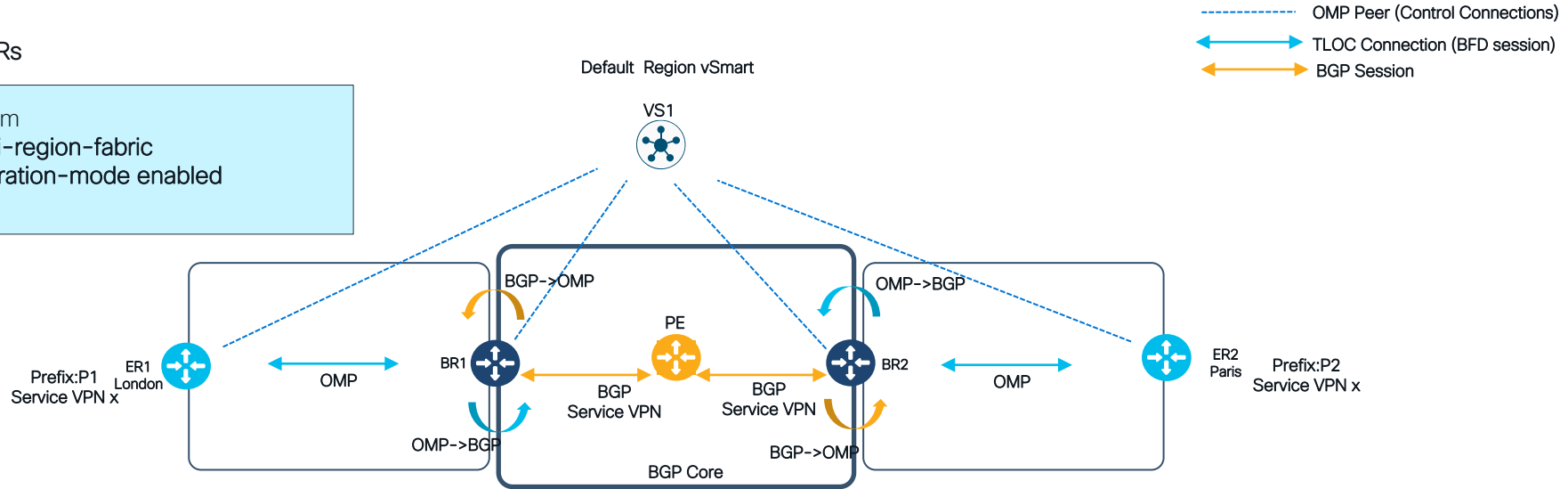
- Header:** Cisco SD-WAN, Select Resource Group, Configuration • Network Hierarchy
- Search:** Search
- Left Sidebar:** A list of regions under 'Global'. The 'Paris' node is selected, highlighted with a red box.
- Configuration Table:** A red box highlights the configuration details for the 'Paris' node.

Field	Value
Name	Paris
Description	EQX Colo
Type	SITE
Site ID	61
Associated Devices	2

Step3: Enable Migration Mode on all Branches

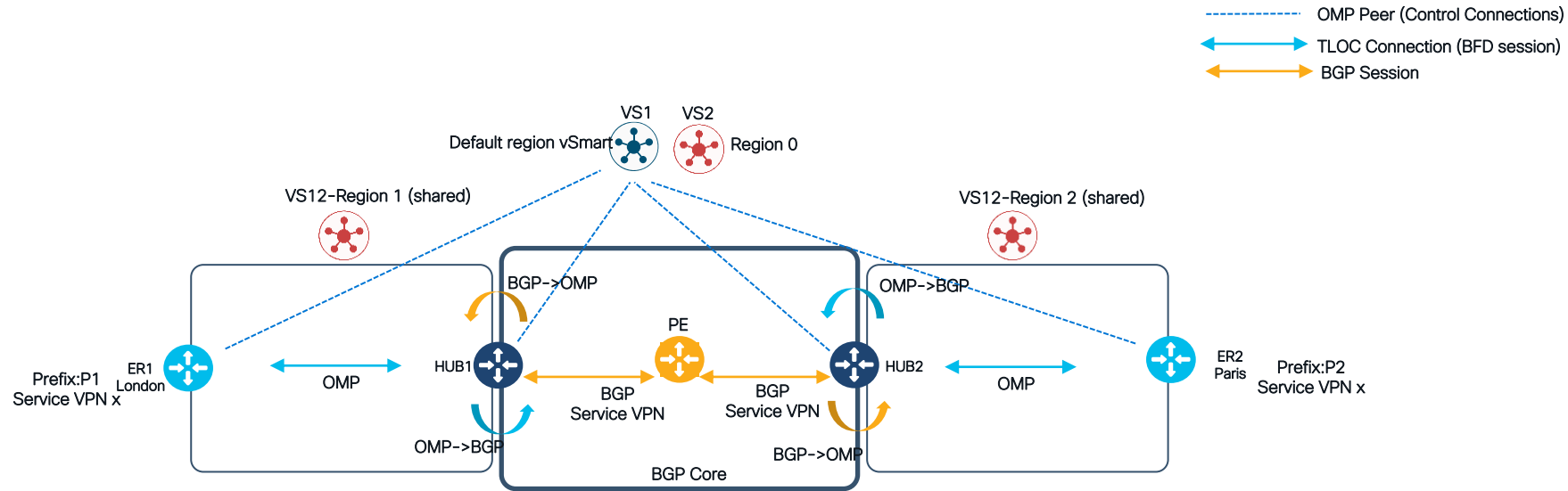
On ERs

system
multi-region-fabric
migration-mode enabled



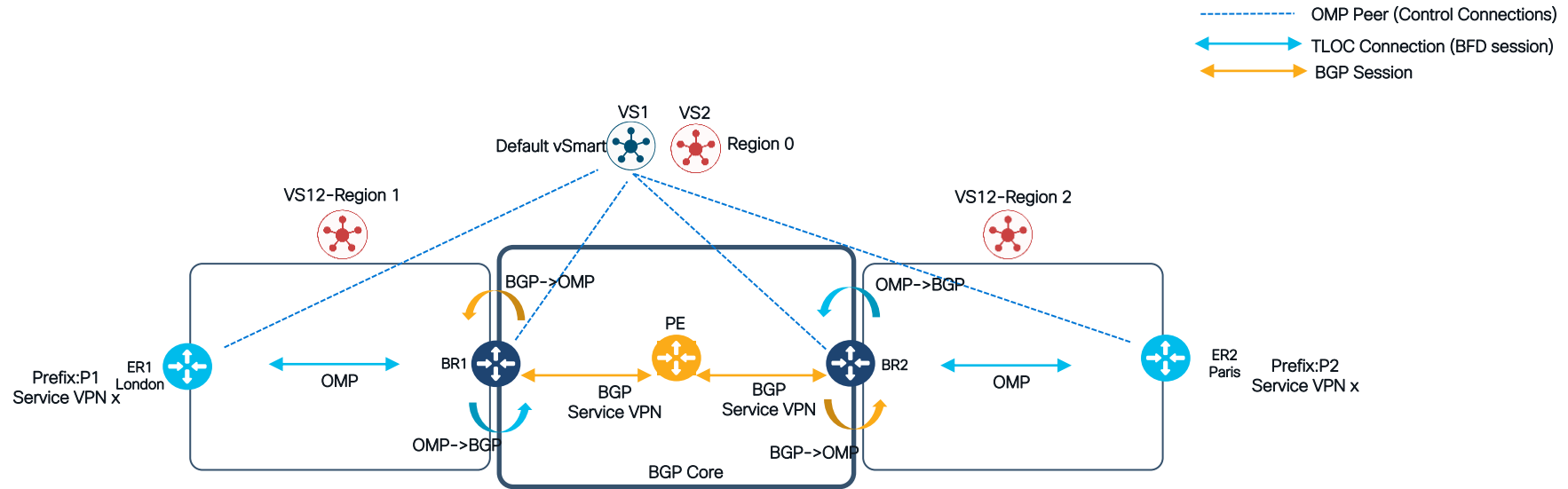
No change to OMP peering

Step3: Provisions vSmarts for Core and Access Regions



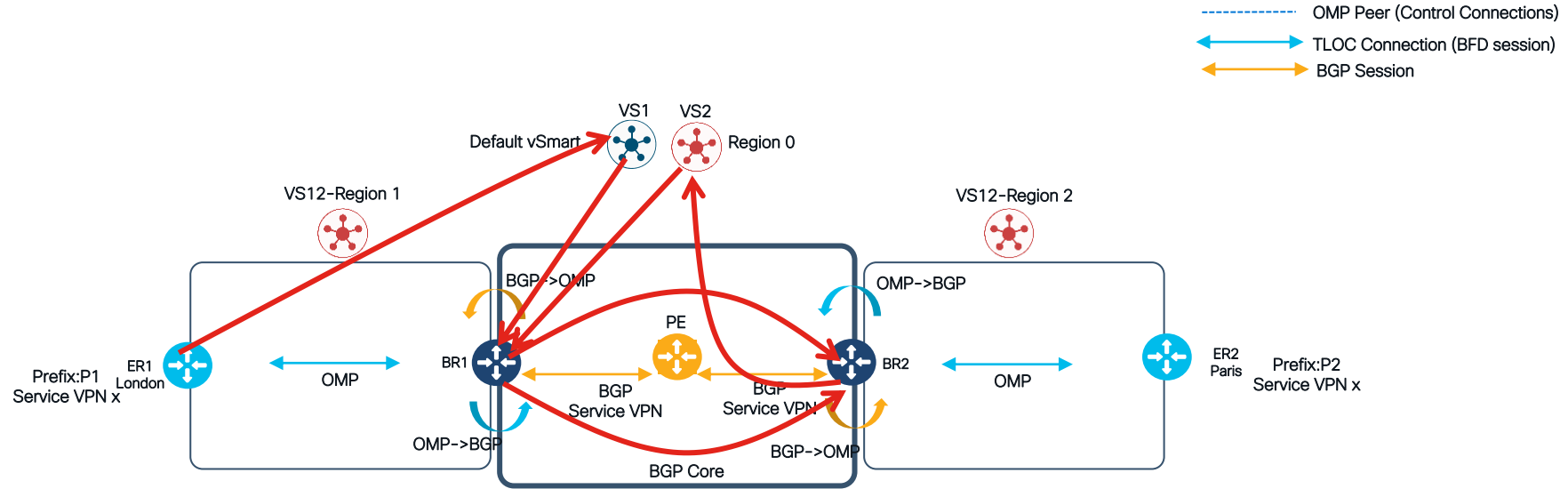
Recommended: Add new vSmarts

Step4: We will now start using Migration Community X



- Unique in the network
- Range:1-4294967295

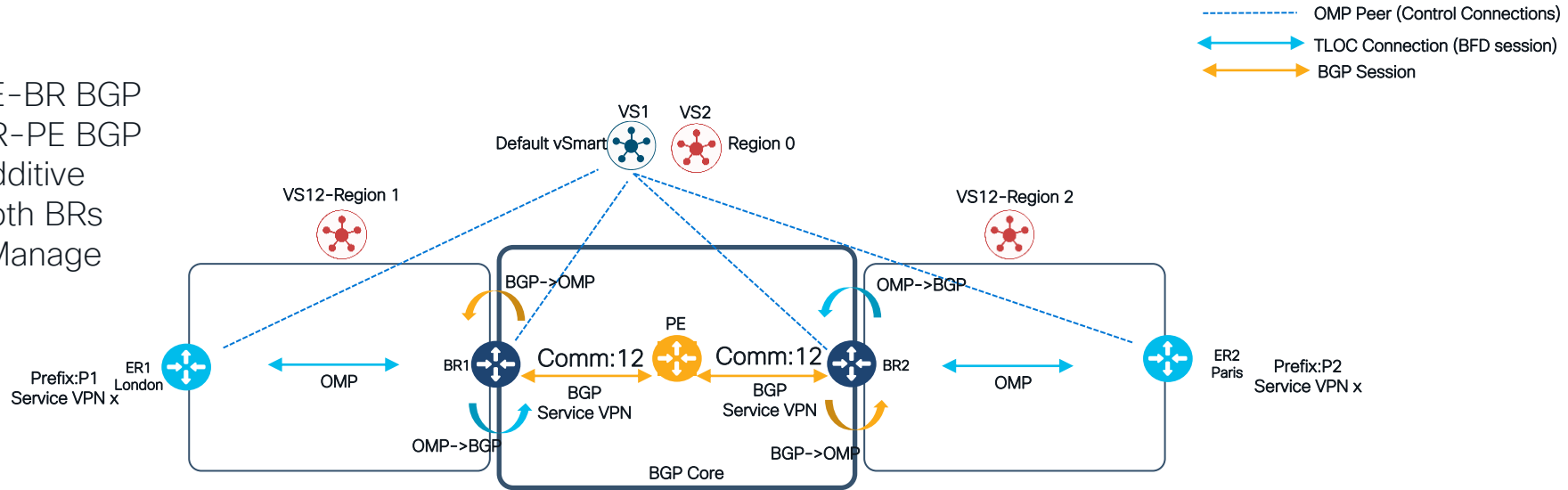
What can go wrong without using Mig Comm-Looping



- Region-aware OMP routes are preferred over default region OMP routes
- BR2 will start advertising routes from London as self-originated

Step5: Set Migration Community between BGP neighbors on BRs and PEs

- PE-BR BGP
- BR-PE BGP
- Additive
- Both BRs
- vManage



```
route-map APPEND-MIG-COMM permit 1
set community 12 additive
```

```
router BGP 2
address-family ipv4 vrf 10
propagate-community
neighbor <PE-BR-PE> send-community
neighbor < PE-BR-PE > route-map APPEND-MIG-COMM out
```

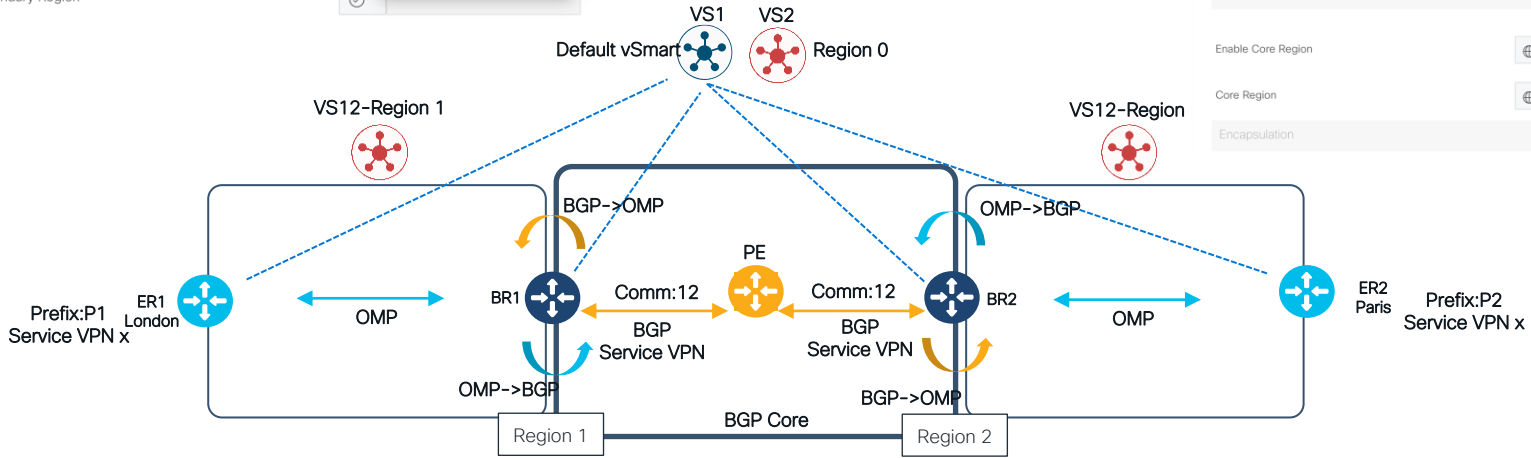
Step6: Enable Migration Mode with Comm X on BR

Feature Template > Cisco System > cEDGE_ALL_SYSTEM_FT

Region

✓ -- Choose --
Paris
London

Secondary Region



Feature Template > Cisco VPN Interface Ethernet > cEDGE_SITE-201_VPN-0_MPLS_IF_FT

Advanced Options

Settings

Enable Core Region

On Off

Core Region

✓ -- Choose --
Only in Core Region
Shared Between Core and Primary Regions

Encapsulation

Feature Template > Cisco System > cEDGE_ALL_SYSTEM_FT

Region

London

Secondary Region

✓

Role

✓ -- Choose --
Border Router
Edge Router

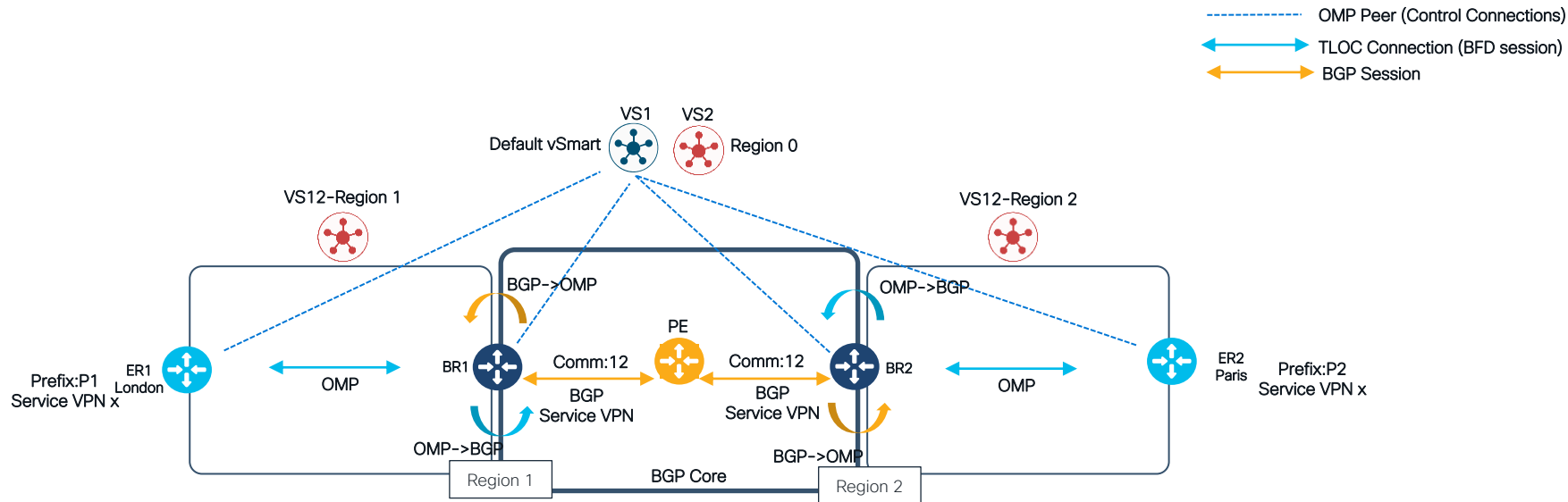
Enable Migration Mode to Multi-Region Fabric

Enable from BGP Core

Migration BGP Community

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Step6: Match MIG comm and redistribute OMP->BGP



```
ip community-list standard MIG-COMM permit 12
```

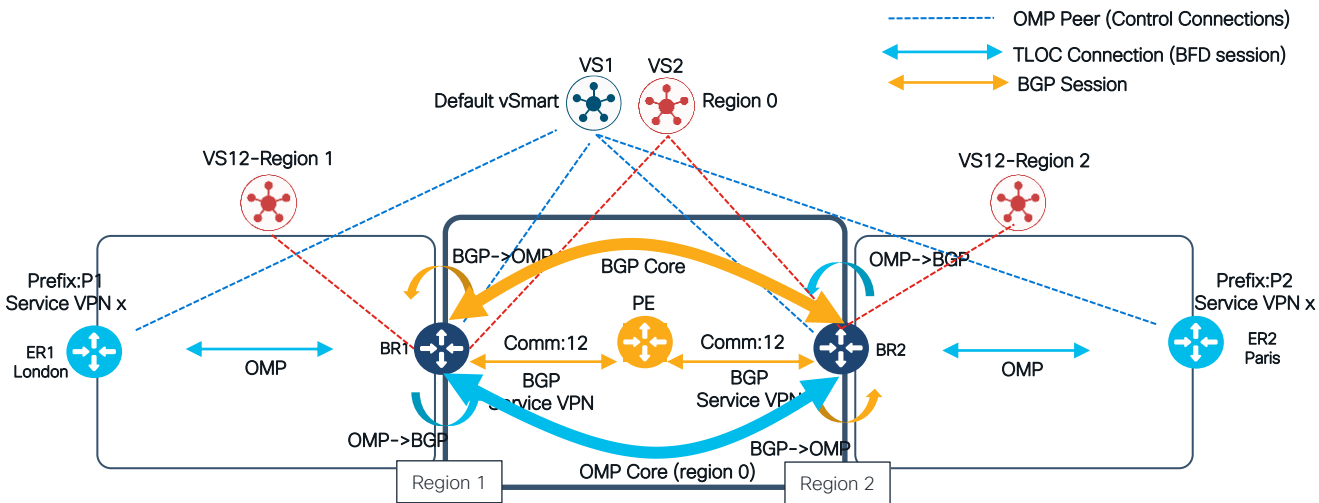
```
route-map MATCH-MIG-COMM permit 10
 match community MIG-COMM
```

```
router BGP 1 BGP
neighbor <PE> remote-as 12
address-family ipv4 vrf 10
  redistribute OMP route-map MATCH-MIG-COMM
```


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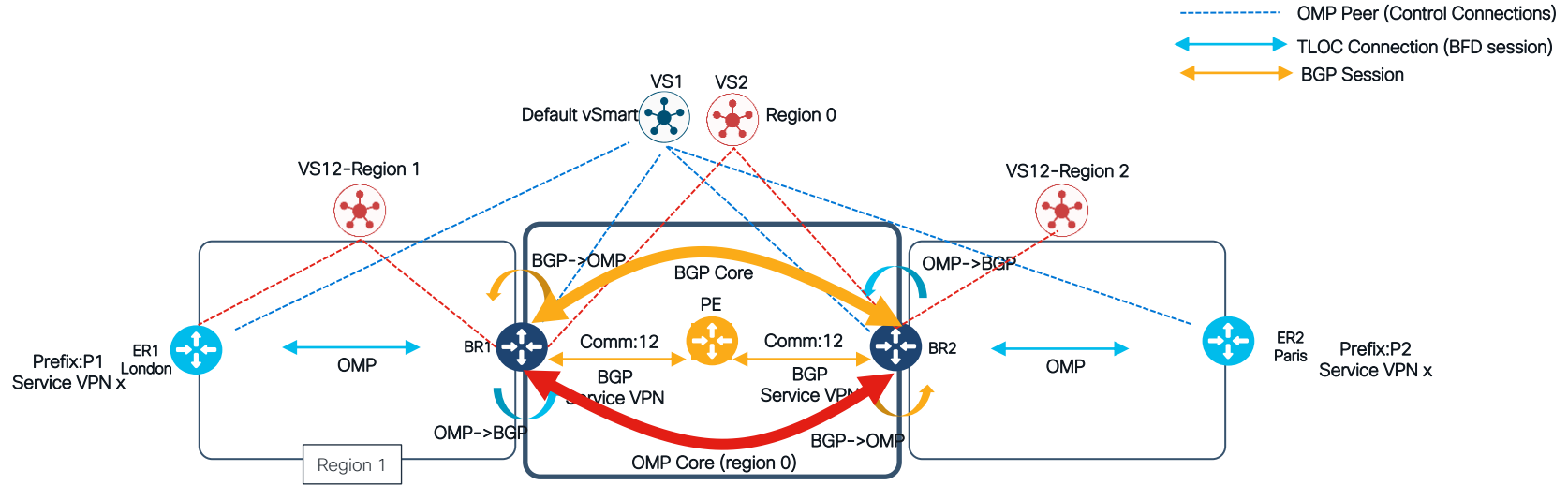
Step7: Modify Control Policies on vSmart to add core TLOCs



- This is required as previously there was no SD-WAN tunnel between BRs and all connectivity was through BGP (service VPN)
- Similar policy for other BR

```
control-policy BGP-CORE-EUROPE-HUB-CP
sequence 1
  match tloc
    site-list EUROPE-ALL-SITES
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 11
  match tloc
    site-list AMER-HUB
    tloc-list AMER-HUB-CORE-TLOCs
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 21
  match route
    site-list EUROPE-ALL-SITES
    prefix-list _AnyIpv4PrefixList
  !
  action accept
  !
sequence 31
  match route
    site-list AMER-HUB
    prefix-list _AnyIpv4PrefixList
  !
  action accept
  !
default-action reject
```

Step8: Now start Migrating Access Regions- on ER



Region

Secondary Region

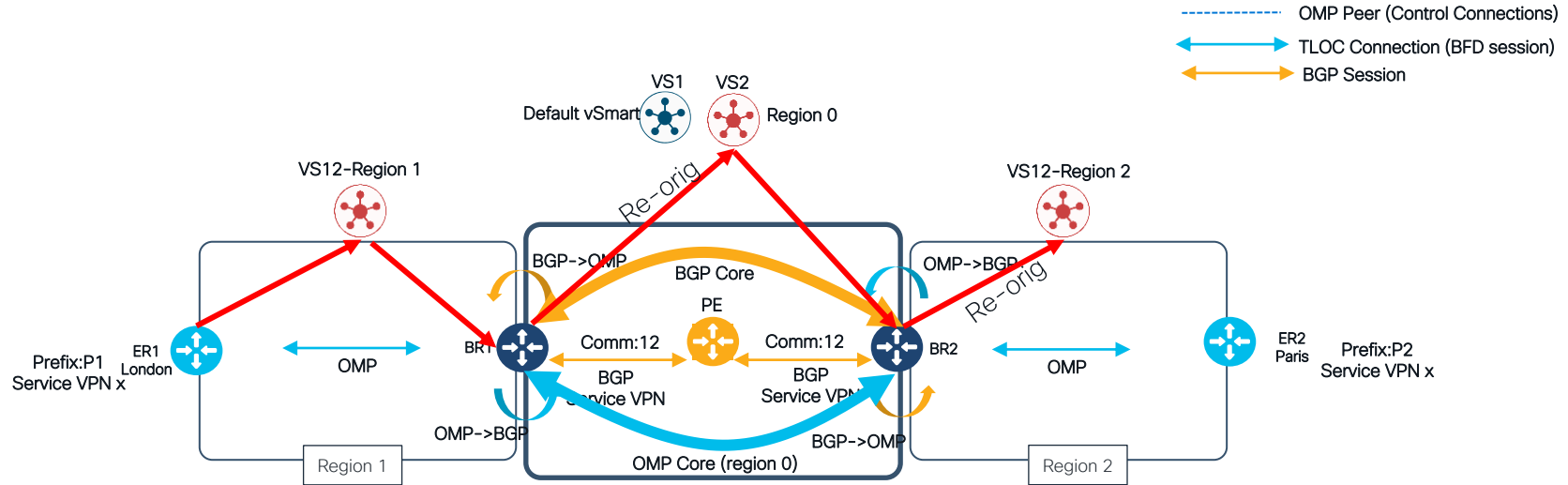
Required

✓ -- Choose --

Paris

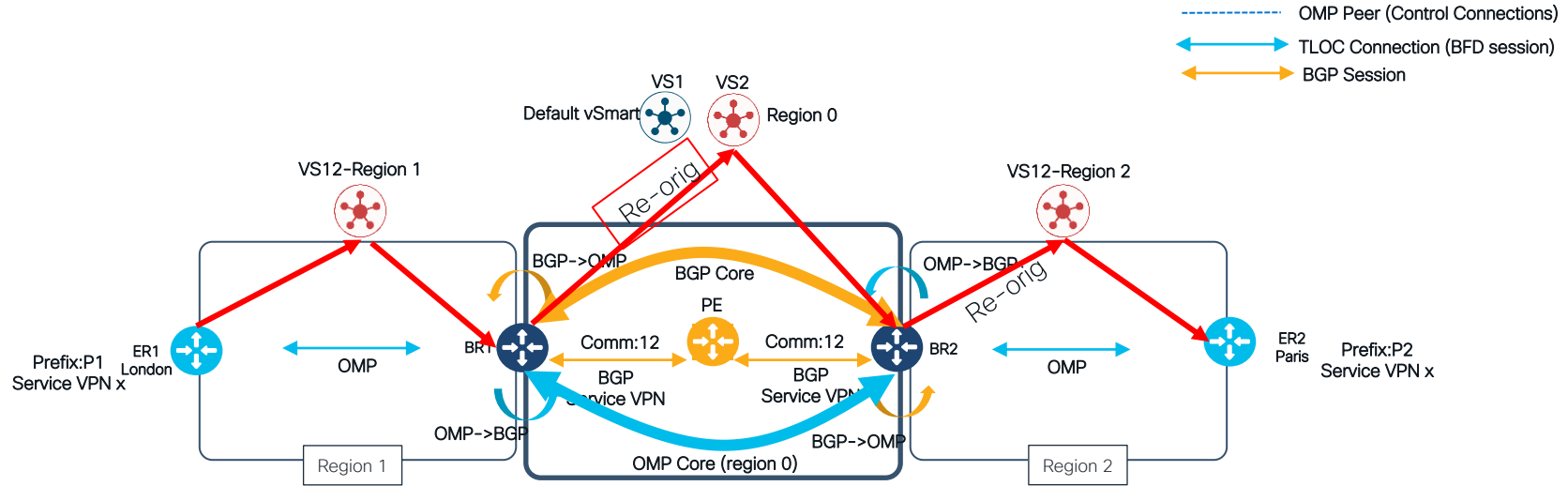
London

Convergence during ER migration



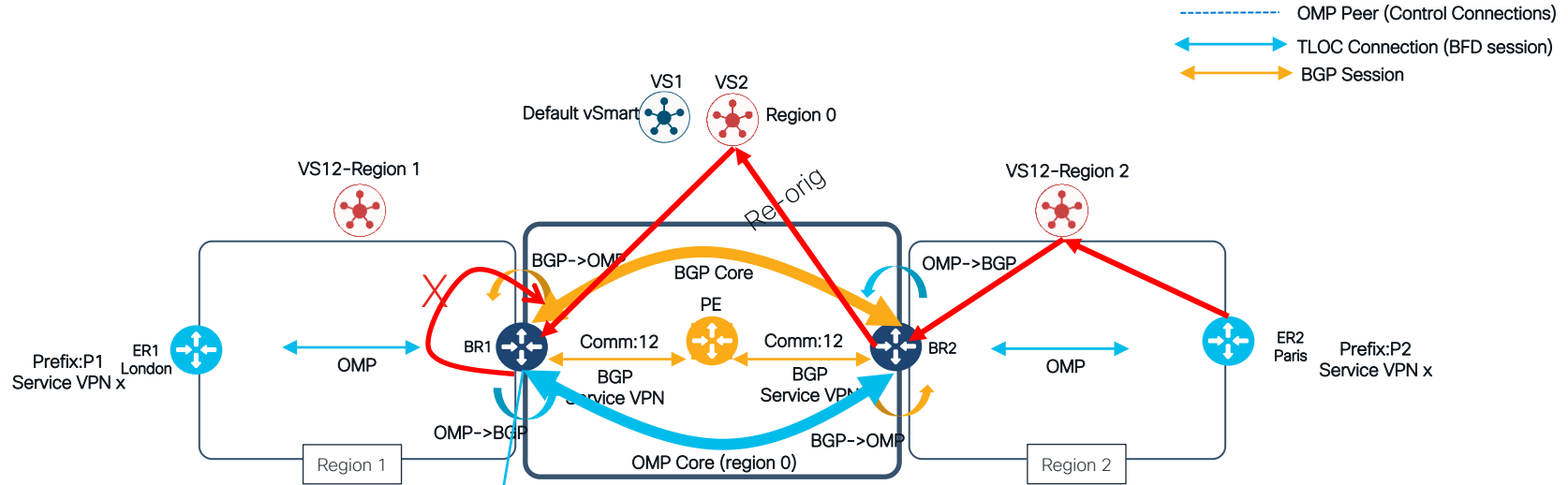
- Now ER1 will also advertise route in region1 along with default region
- BR1 will receive 2 copies of route, from default and region1 vsmart aware. (region aware installed)
- BR1 will send one copy to BGP with mig-x attached, other copy to region0-core without MIG x
- BR2 receives route from BGP and OMP, OMP accepts region 0 route while forwarding wise still BGP is preferred.
- BR2 re-originates region aware route to region2

Step8: Migrating Other Access Regions- on ER



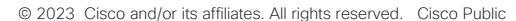
- Now both domains are fully converged Default and Region aware
- Region-aware routes are preferred, and convergence is done at OMP level. Core still uses BGP for forwarding.

Paris (ER2) now originates the routes



BR1:Route-map matching MIG X only gets sent during OMP to BGP redistribution

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Important

- Cloud on Ramp (CoR) for Multi cloud and SDCI:
 - For brownfield scenarios, leverage this migration sessions' learnings
 - For new setups, CoR automation workflow is available in 20.10/17.10 but can be done manually in 17.9 as well.
- For SDCI Megaport case:
 - Usually, we recommend full-mesh in core, but for Megaport, connectivity is p2p. So, consider cost/feasibility of deploying full-mesh in the core.

Conclusion

Multi-Region Fabric is the core enabler for WAN architectures involving a middle-mile

- For Managed Services SD-WAN
- Large Enterprise deployments using MSP/Cloud/SDCI backbone

Brownfield migration capability available with August '22 release (20.9/17.9)!



Eliminate need
for lengthy global
network policies



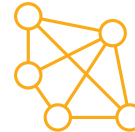
Automatic
hop-by-hop
inter-region routing



Scalable design



Simpler
redundancy
planning



Flexible
architecture to
cater to dynamic
network needs



Operationally
easier to deploy
and manage



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