

# Damage to fiber optic cables in Eastern Europe



## Overview

Two undersea cables carrying internet data deep in the Baltic Sea were damaged, European telecommunications companies said this week, drawing warnings from European governments of possible Russian "hybrid warfare" targeting global communications infrastructure. On 17-18 November 2024, two submarine telecommunication cables, the BCS East-West Interlink and C-Lion1 fibre-optic cables, were disrupted in the Baltic Sea. The incidents involving both cables occurred in close proximity to each other and near-simultaneously, which prompted accusations from. Finnish authorities took control of the Fitburg and escorted it to the port of Kantvik after it damaged an undersea cable. Image: MKFI, Public domain, via Wikimedia Commons For Finnish authorities, 2025 ended dramatically. On the very last day of the year, at 4:53 a. On Wednesday, interest was focused on. Subsea cables cover over 900,000 miles of sea floor from the Atlantic to Pacific. The leading suspect is a Chinese freighter and its Russian captain, who is believed to have intentionally dragged the ship's anchor across the.



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