## Global Partnerships for Local Impact

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#### Empowering people through digital opportunities

"Our **Vision** is for our business to play a key role in the socioeconomic success of the communities where we operate by providing high quality services to our customers, behaving as a responsible corporate citizen, and leveraging our technology to support development."

> Alexey M. Reznikovich Chairman of the Supervisory Board



## Digitization is changing the global economy

From

To

#### **Tangible**

Tangible flows of physical goods

#### Dependence

Innovation flows from advanced economies to emerging markets

#### **Multinationals**

Multinationals drive growth in knowledge and innovation

#### **Intangible**

Intangible flows of data and information

#### Interdependence

Innovation flows between advanced economies and emerging markets

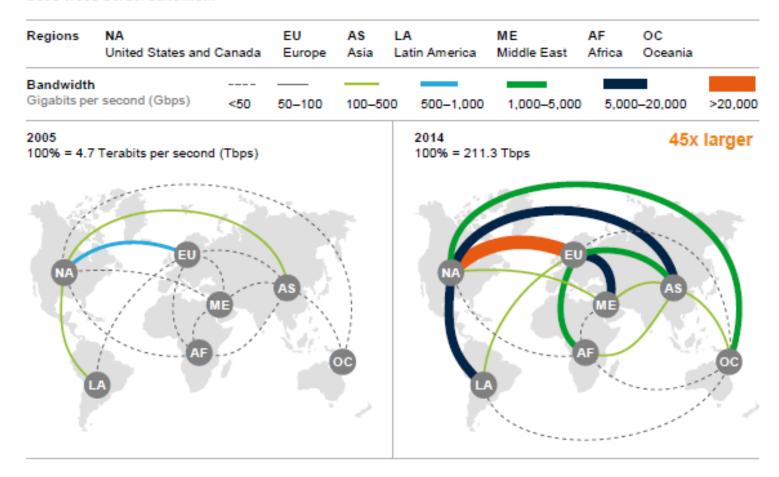
#### **Start-ups & SMEs**

Start-ups and SMEs disrupt industries and have a global reach



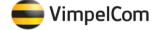
#### Fueled by global data flows...

#### Used cross-border bandwidth



NOTE: Lines represent interregional bandwidth (e.g., between Europe and North America) but exclude intraregional cross-border bandwidth (e.g., connecting European nations with one another).

SOURCE: TeleGeography, Global Internet Geography, McKinsey Global Institute analysis



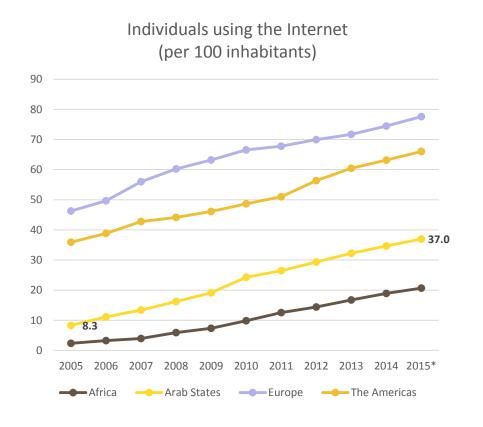
#### ...and becoming slightly better distributed

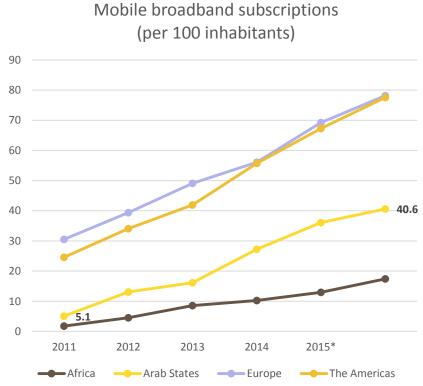


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#### Arab States outpace other regions in terms of connectivity growth...





## ...but 230 million people remain unconnected

#### World





3.2 billion (43.3%)

**4.1 billion** (56.7%)

#### **Arab Region**

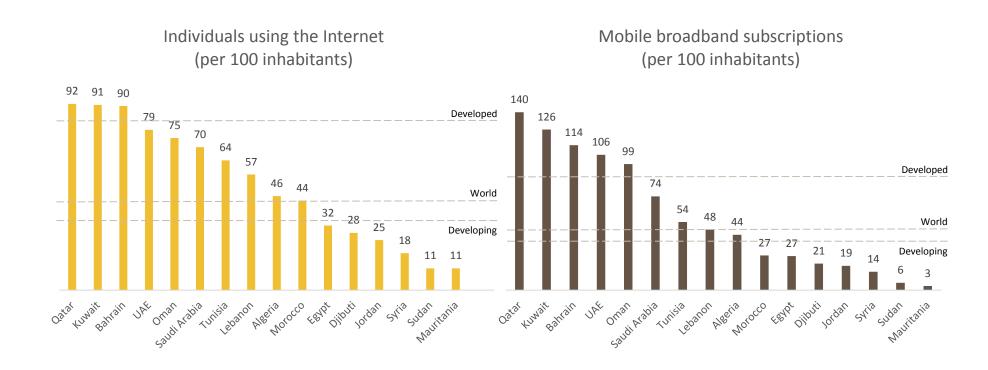




155 million (40.3%)

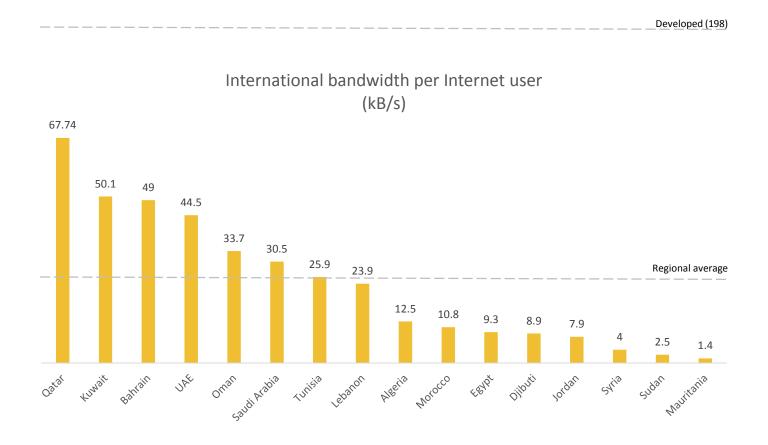
**230 million** (59.7%)

#### Challenges remain: Internet use





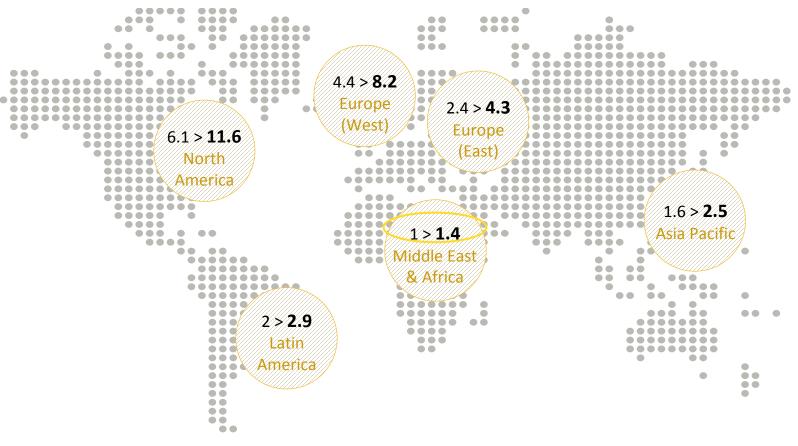
#### Challenges remain: international bandwidth





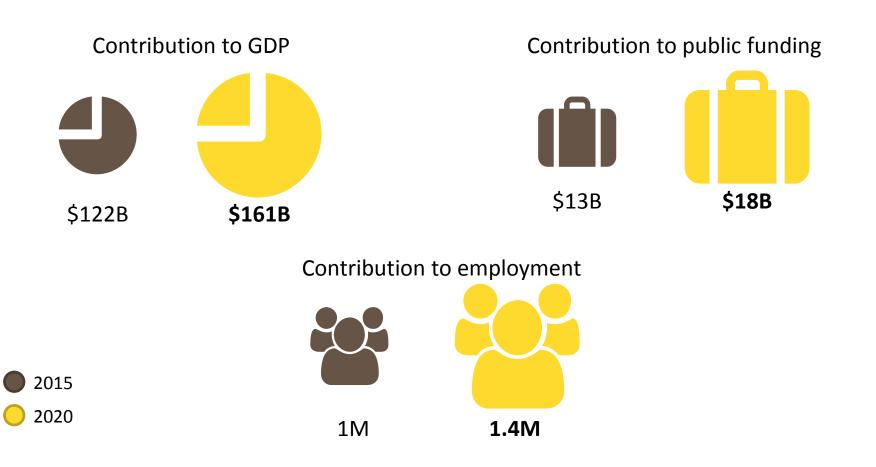
#### Challenges remain: connected devices per capita

#### Number of connected devices per capita 2014 > 2019

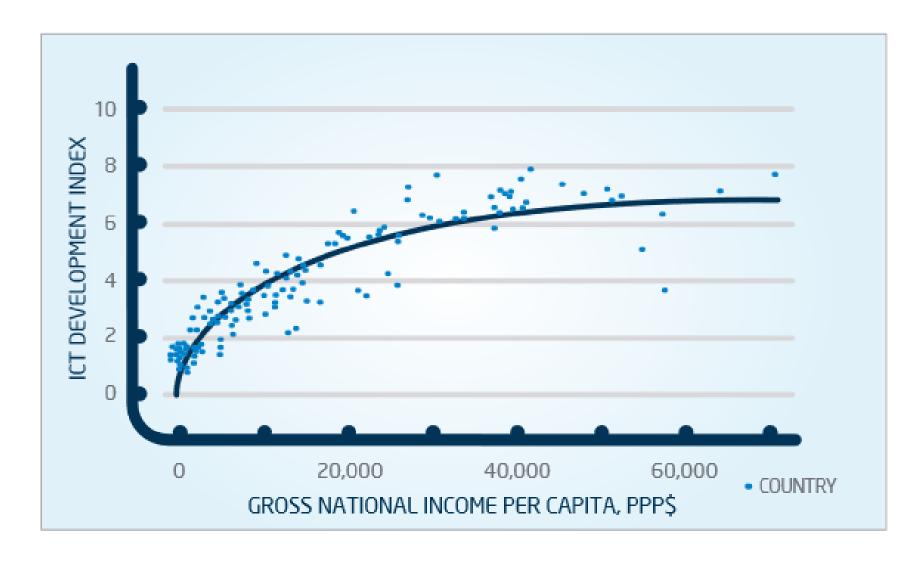




## Why it is important: direct contribution from the mobile ecosystem

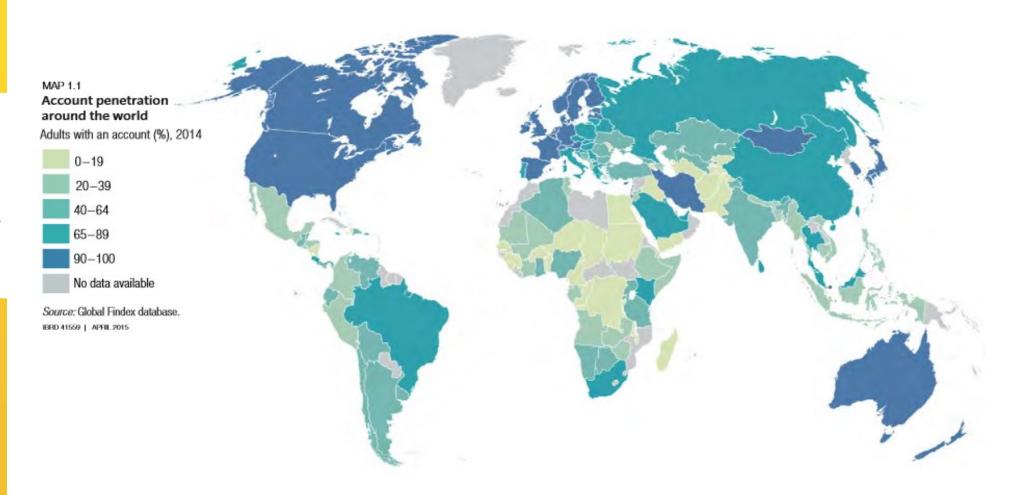


## Why it is important: growth





## Why it is important: financial inclusion





## Why it is important: jobs and income



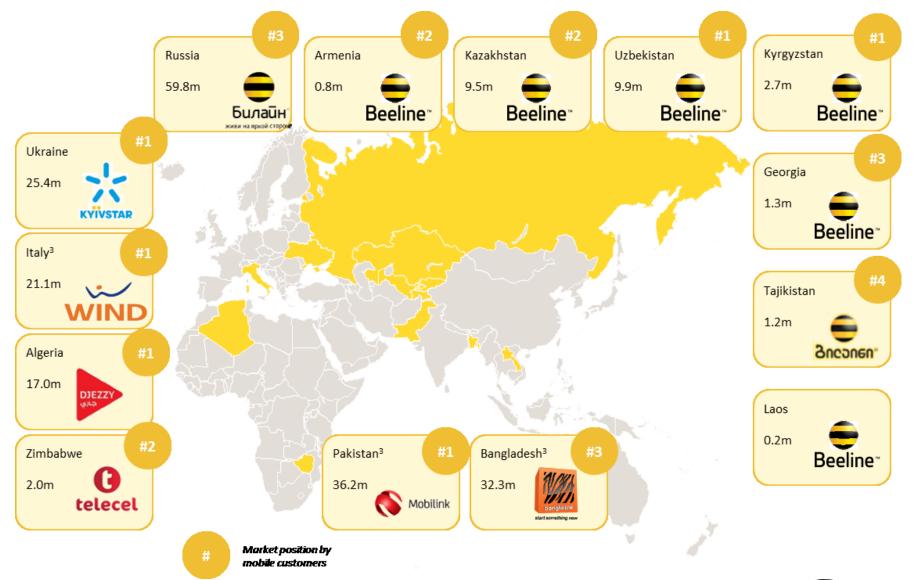
#### ICTs are key enablers for the SDGs

"The 2030 Agenda for sustainable development has embraced the spread of ICTs of having great potential to accelerate human progress" (United Nations)

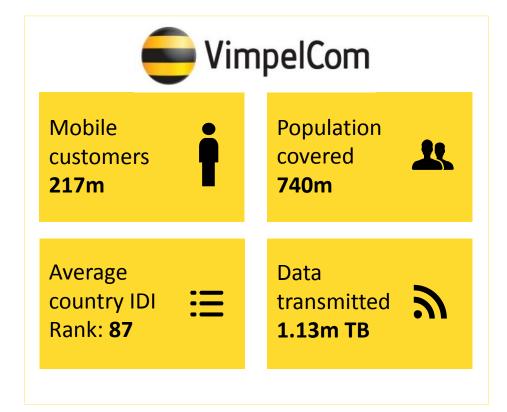


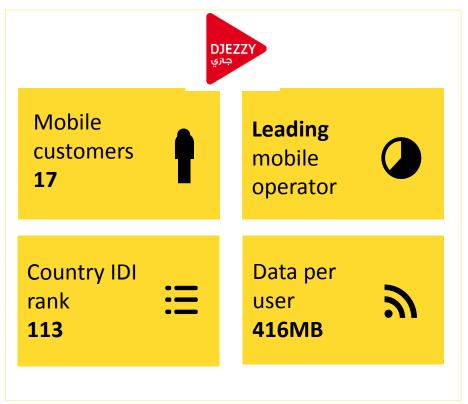


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## VimpelCom: customer-centric strategy





#### **Example: Mobile Financial Services**

- **7** markets
- **30m** users
- 40m monthly transactions
- Financial coverage in markets with significant levels of underbanked
  - **■** 465m underbanked within VimpelCom's footprint
- **Gender equality:** 40% of our MFS operations are headed by women
- Airtime transfers form the basis of our services in Algeria









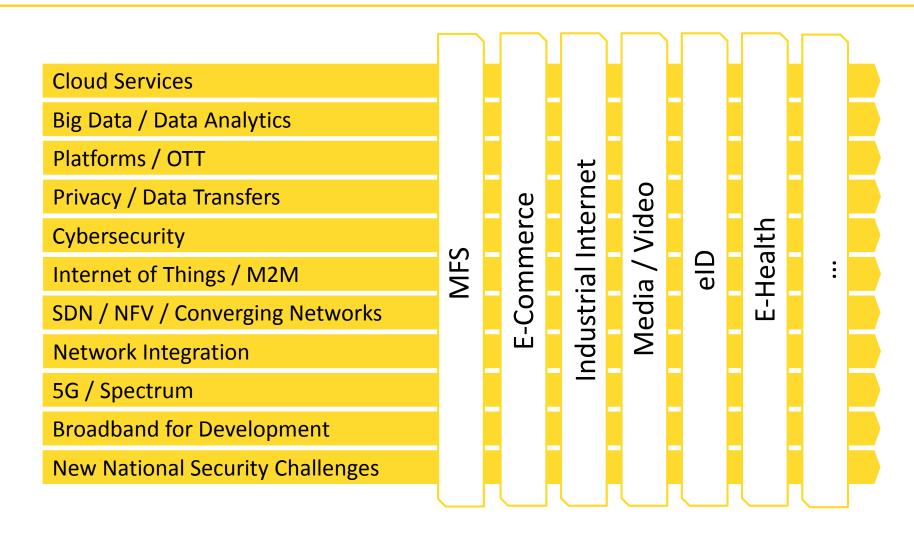








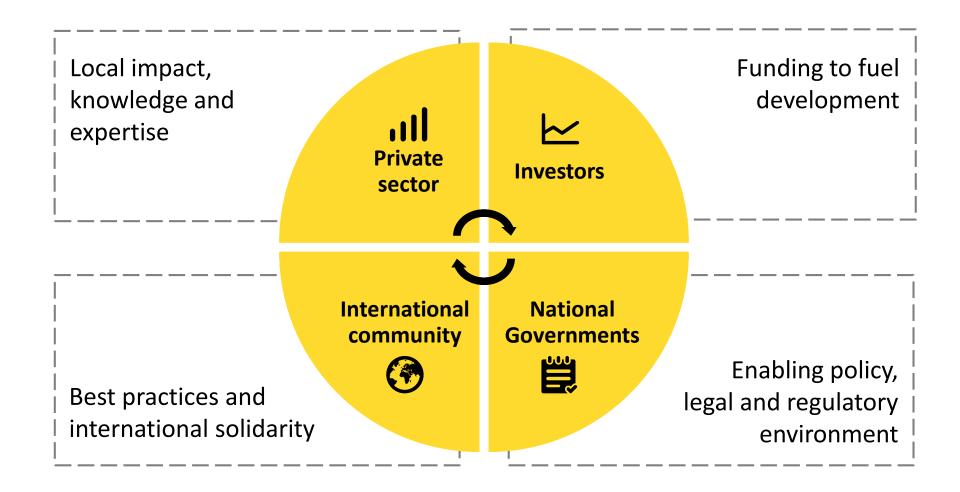
## Policy areas that are gaining importance



Traditional areas are still important: licensing, infrastructure, competition, interconnection, international bandwidth, universal services / access, retail regulation, taxation...

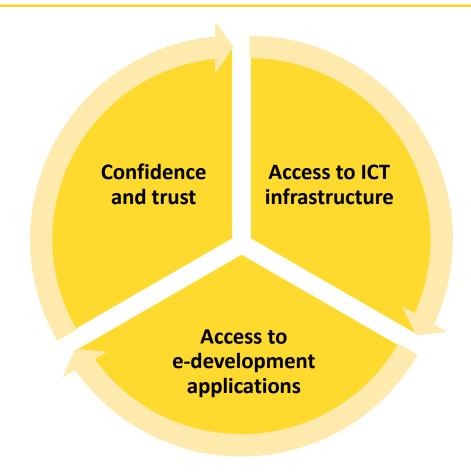
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#### For success...





#### **Enabling environment for ICTs**



"Successful reforms must take into account the need for comprehensive changes that cut across traditional technological and commercial boundaries" (World Bank)

#### Enabling environment for ICTs: innovative approaches for policymaking

Speed of technological change demands forward-looking, **Outcome-based** principles-based regulations with clear intent, rather than regulation prescriptive regulations Rules and codes developed by the industry, in consultation with the government, and with legislative backing should be **Co-regulation** considered as alternatives to direct regulation Where appropriate, self-regulation may be adopted, for which **Self-regulation** industry itself is responsible for enforcement



#### Partnerships are key to our success

"Sustainable development can only be achieved with a broad alliance of people, governments, civil society and the private sector, all working together to secure the future we want"

(UN General Assembly)

















#### Our commitment to local development

#### Flagship programme



helping young people shape their future

The goal of MYM is to empower young people to make a positive difference, through increased access to education and through inspiring social entrepreneurship, particularly in the digital arena.

#### Learn more:

http://www.vimpelcom.com/Responsibility/Make-your-mark/



#### **Algeria**

Djezzy has launched 'iMadrassa', a new digital tutoring service, aimed at helping high school **students** in Algeria prepare for their graduation examinations.

Djezzy has been supporting national competitions to develop new applications and promote **local developers**. These were held at two Djezzy-sponsored events, the first-ever '3G Cup Algeria', and the third FIKRA Conference.

As part of its efforts to support youth **education**, Djezzy has opened a new reading room in the city's historic Casbah; working with the Casbah Association.



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# Thank you

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