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Case study

Planning of different broadband solutions in the last mile for urban and suburban areas



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Planning of different broadband solutions in the last mile for urban and suburban areas:

- ❖ The ongoing evolution of the present networks to NGN as well as the invasion of the market from new operators and service providers implementing the latest technological solutions makes the precise network planning and optimisation necessary task and important instrument
- * There are different possible broadband solutions for the so-called last mile of the network, especially for urban and suburban areas
- **❖** Through careful planning of the different alternatives and comparison of the corresponding economical consequences the best long-term solution could be taken

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Case study objectives:

- This case study intends to present the planning process that needs to be performed for evaluation of different broadband solutions in the last mile for urban and suburban areas
- Special attention is drown on the wireless technological solutions, which include additional network optimization with regard to evaluation and optimization of the terrain coverage

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Case study includes several phases:

- **Geographical data processing (e.g. from raster maps), services definition, market segmentation and customer mapping**
- * Technology definition in terms of infrastructure, node and link elements, necessary interfaces, capacity limitations, maximum distances allowed, etc.

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Case study phases (continuation):

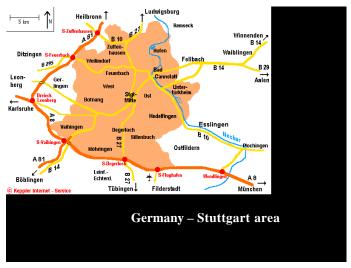
- Network optimisation, including minimization of the number of necessary network elements, best possible node locations within the studied area, optimisation of the service areas for the separate node elements
- **Solution** Economic evaluation of the resulting network in terms of revenues, investment costs, installation costs, maintenance costs, cash flow, NPP, IRR, etc.

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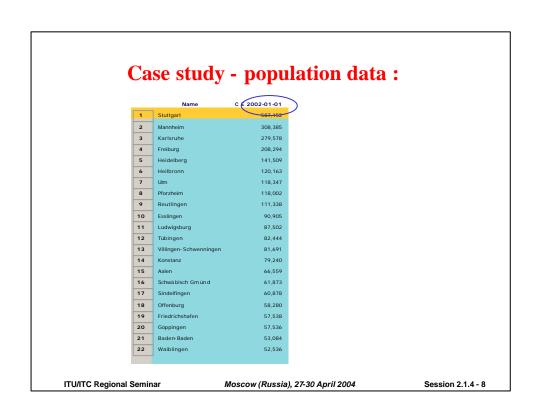
Case study – map of the area:

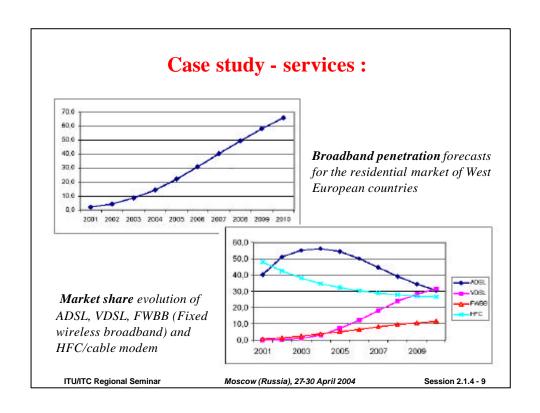


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Case study - area:									
	Name	Abr.			Capital	A (km2)	C 1987-05-25	E 1996-01-01	E 2002-01-0
<	Freiburg		RB	BW	Freiburg	9,357	1,869,032	2,087,042	2,156,8
<	Karlsruhe		RB	BW	Karlsruhe	6,919	2,395,523	2,644,430	2,701,3
<	Stuttgart		RB	BW	Stuttgart	10,558	3,491,787	3,862,311	3,964,1
<	Tübingen		RB	BW	Tübingen	8,918	1,530,045	1,725,584	1,778,5
<	Baden -Wü rttemberg	BW	BL		Stuttgart	35,752	9,286,387	10,319,367	10,600,9
	Germany	DEU			Berlin	357,022	77,718,000	81,817,499	82,440,13





Planning tools - VPIaccessMaker Markets

Market definition

- ✓ Define services classes (service nature, bandwidth, SLA)
- ✓ Create customer classes (service mixes, tariffs, lines)
- ✓ Define density classes (as mixes of customer classes)
- ✓ Define planning period

Evolution forecasting

- ✓ Tariffs
- ✓ Market penetration and traffic prediction
- ✓ Component costs

Demand mapping

- √ Import maps
- ✓ Define service areas (sub urban, down town, etc)
- ✓ Geometrical modeling of service areas & site locations
- ✓ Model in-building networks
- ✓ Define outside plant cost regions for accurate cost modeling
- √ Import/ export market demands

Geomarketing results

- ✓ Extensive and flexible user defined query system
- ✓ Results are displayed on the GIS (selected year)
- ✓ Results are displayed on annual tables & charts

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Market capture for a service provider

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Technology modeling

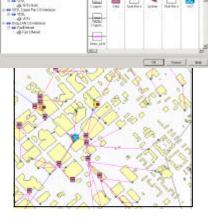
- ✓ Specification of network infrastructure
- √ Specification of network elements
- ✓ Specification of interfaces (upstream, downstream)
- ✓ Planning rules (bandwidth, distances, topology)
- ✓ Chains of nodes and links for topology modeling

Network design optimization

- ✓ Optimize clustering to satisfy bandwidth requirement
- ✓ Support of multiple technologies and constraints
- ✓ Cost regions
- ✓ Support of star and tree network topologies
- ✓ Considers legacy infrastructure

Roll-out results

- ✓ Calculate automatically all network costs
- ✓ Each element has its own set of results
- ✓ Multiple roll-out with different technologies
- ✓ Bill of materials
- ✓ Results are displayed on the GIS and tables / charts



Modeling a PON network deployment in a city center

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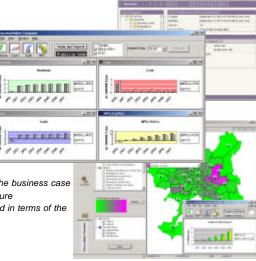


Financial calculations

- ✓ Project revenues
- ✓ Project cost structure
- ✓ Project cash-flows
- ✓ Project net present value

Scenario analysis

- ✓ Full geographical visualization of the business case
- ✓ Specification of network infrastructure
- Various scenarios can be compared in terms of the main economics indexes
- ✓ All data exportable to Excel



Return on investment from a deployment in a metro area

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Planning tools - LStelcom MULTIlink

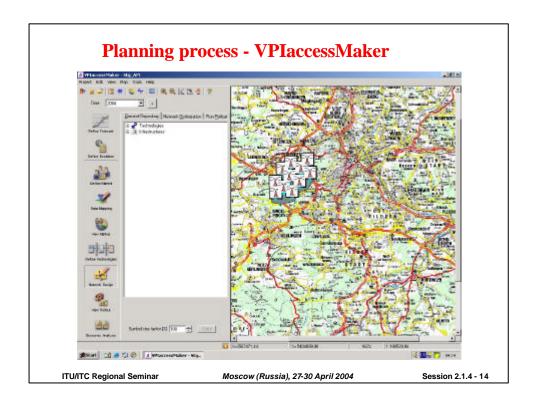
MULTIlink is a complete solution for fast microwave link engineering and designing of PMP/WLL/LMDS networks.



It can be used for planning and optimizing single links (e.g. path loss, coverage and availability calculations) as well as for doing network-wide analysis (e.g. interference calculation, channel assignment).

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Summary

- This case study presents the planning process that needs to be performed for evaluation of different broadband solutions in the last mile for urban and suburban areas
- Through careful planning of the different alternatives and comparison of the corresponding economical consequences the best long-term solution is taken.
- The whole case study is performed with NP tools operating on real data. The highly professional NP tools are provided by companies, partners of ITU in the network planning programs and activities.

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