

# Convergence

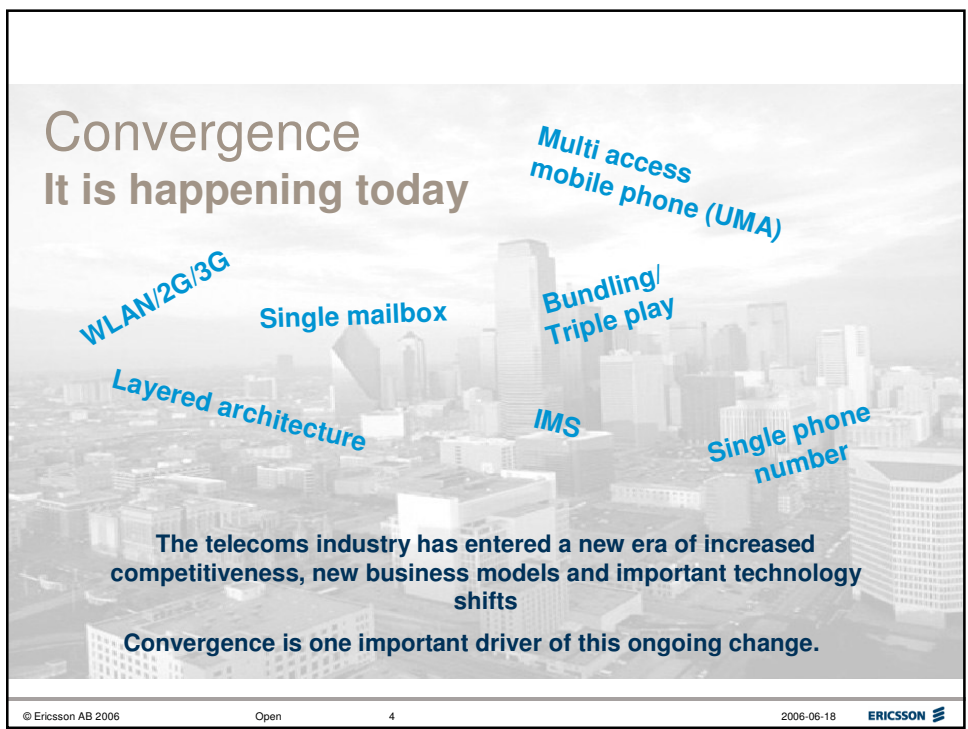
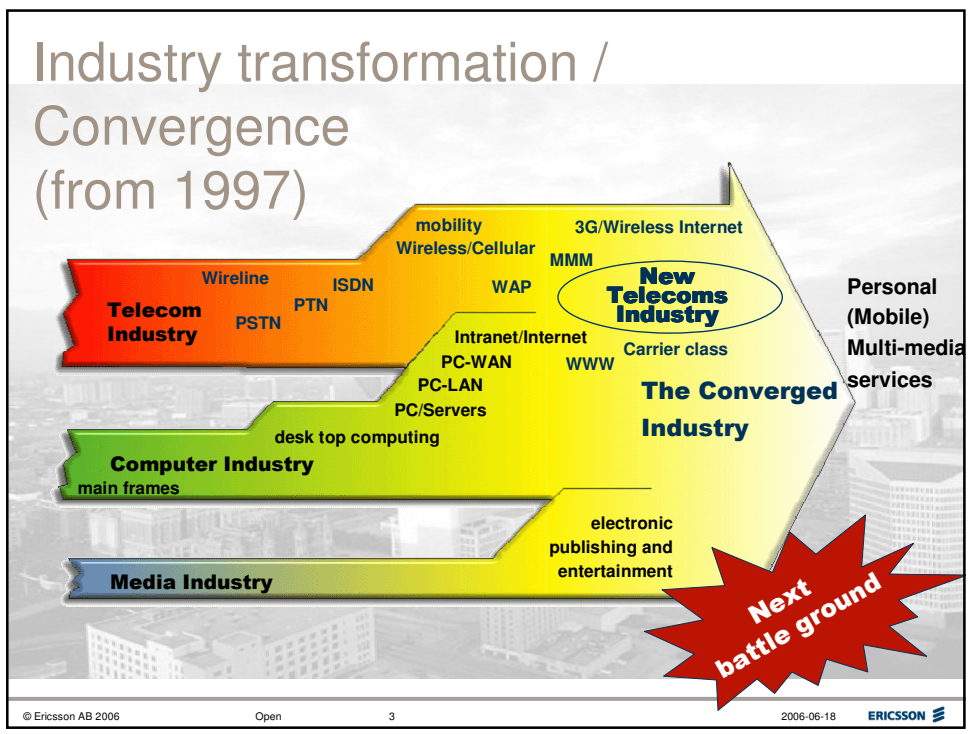
Presented by

**Wally Hariz**

ERICSSON 

## Agenda

- Long term growth opportunities
- Focus on the end user
- The operator opportunities
- Our convergence vision
  - User service convergence
  - Device convergence
  - Network convergence
- The way forward
- Summary



# Convergence definition

Traditionally, the term fixed-mobile convergence (FMC) has been used by the telecom industry when discussing the integration of wireline and wireless technologies. But it is not just about this particular kind of convergence, it is also about convergence between media, datacom and telecommunication industries. Convergence is considered from three viewpoints:

**User service convergence;**

where there are common user service delivery capabilities with access and device awareness. This means that a multitude of services (person to person, person to content and content to person) can be provided to the same user over different access networks and to different devices.

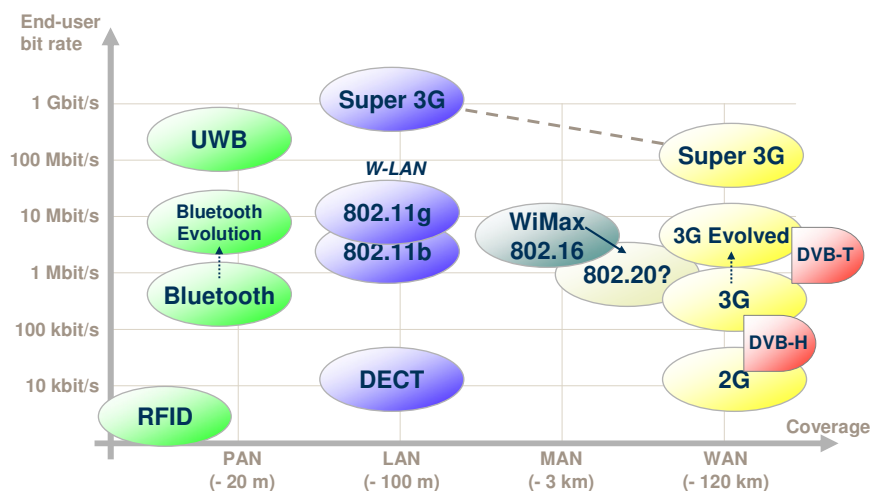
**Device convergence;**

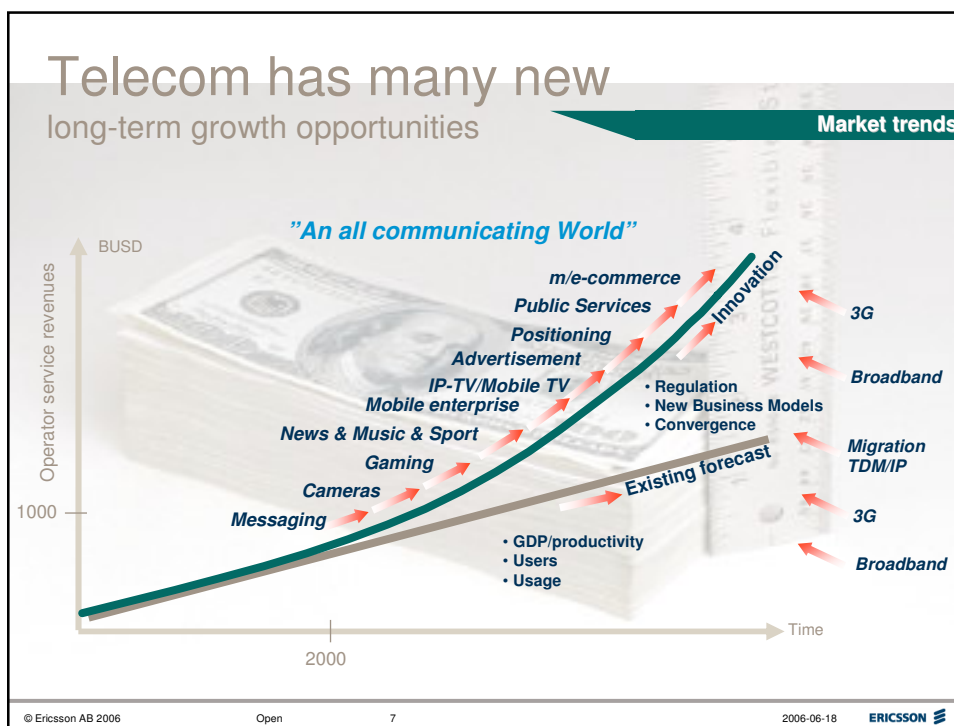
common devices supporting several access types, such as CDMA2000, WCDMA, GSM, fixed broadband and WLAN. Device convergence allows multiple applications to be run, reusing the same functions for identification and authentication. Furthermore, the mobile device supports more and more functions in addition to telephony, e.g. Camera, TV/Video and email.

**Network convergence;**

this implies consolidation of the network to provide different user services, with telecom-grade quality of service, over several access types with an emphasis on operator cost efficiency and support to user service convergence.

# Bit rates and coverage for Wireless Technologies





## Focus on the end user

Focus on the end user

- On the move
- At home
- In the office or working site

© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    8    2006-06-18    ERICSSON



A qualitative study with 18 households in Sweden, U.K. and USA  
March 2005



## Services in the study

end user study

The mobile device as  
"Connected home" remote control

- Media storage
- Video recorder
- Security
- Energy



Home communication

- Video calls
- Mobile @home



Coordination and synchronization  
of family activities

- Family and presence
- Calendar



Results from the "Evolution towards Converged Services" study, made by Ericsson Consumer Lab

end user study

## Some findings from the study

- Most users positive to convergent services
- High interest for Entertainment related services
- Other highlights
  - Connected home – media storage and sharing
  - Video calls between all type of devices

Results from the "Evolution towards Converged Services" study made by Ericsson Consumer Lab

© Ericsson AB 2006      Open      11      2006-06-18      ERICSSON

end user study

New business models need    Home automation

Focus on usability and time-saving    Logistics & Planning

Price and richness    Social communication

Convenience    Entertainment & Sharing

Time

Results from the "Evolution towards Converged Services" study made by Ericsson Consumer Lab

© Ericsson AB 2006      Open      12      2006-06-18      ERICSSON

## Convenience and ease of use

Focus on the end user

- Make life more efficient
- Simplicity in functionality e.g. similar user interfaces for most services (and across accesses)
- Communication and content services available across several networks (e.g video call from 3G phone to PC)
- Services adapted to the device and access characteristics
- Simplified processes for identification and payments (e.g single sign on)
- Easy to have cost control



consumers



enterprise

## Always Best Connected

Focus on the end user

- Able to connect
  - anywhere
  - anytime
  - by device of choice
  - when on the move.
- Best varies according to
  - user preferences
  - used service
  - quality, speed and price.
- Seamless transition between access methods for Voice/Video/Packet data (session continuity)

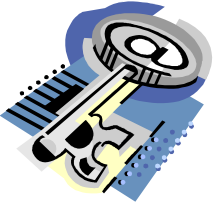




Focus on the end user

## Reliability and security

- Reliability in all transactions independent of access
- Connection quality
  - voice
  - video
  - data
- Authentication and security must be reliable regardless of access
- No viruses, no worms, no fraud
- Nobody listening in
- Ability to see who's calling



© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    15    2006-06-18    ERICSSON

Focus on the end user

## Life is getting a bit challenging...

Using all kinds of devices...

All the people we want to reach...

Authorities

Business contacts

Family

Co-workers

Key operator role: provide **reachability!**

- Be reachable
- Be able to reach
- Regardless of device, bearer, location, ...
- Safe, reliable, trustworthy, adaptable!

And all the services we want to reach...

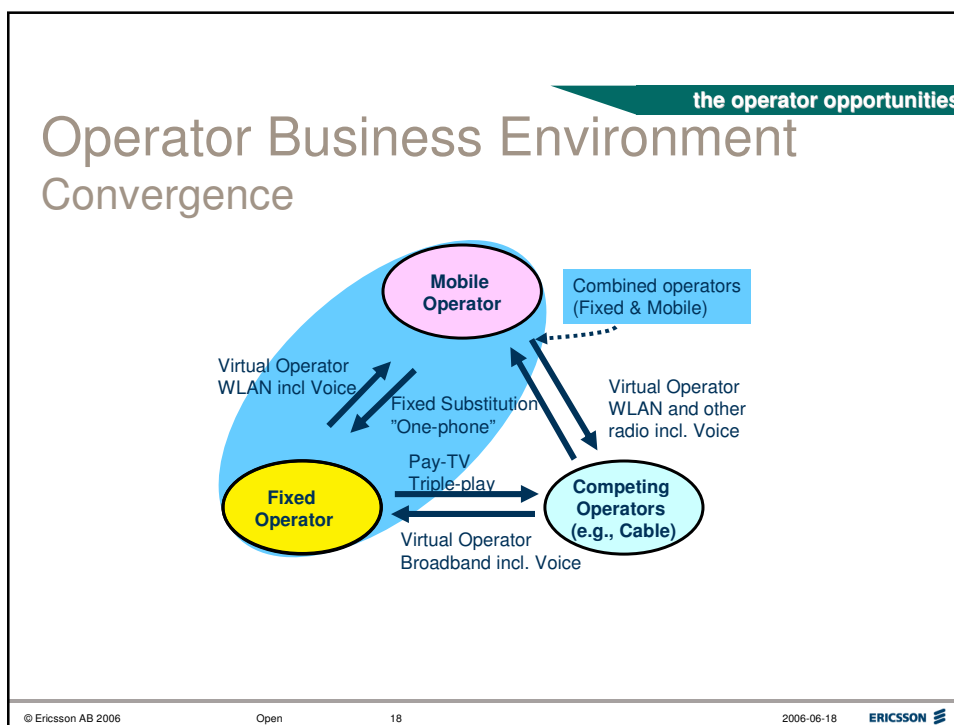
Any time, any place!



© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    16    2006-06-18    ERICSSON



# The operator opportunities




## Convergence drivers and actions

Increased competitiveness,  
new business models/partners  
and important technology shifts

the operator opportunities

- **Mobile and Fixed Operator/Service Provider**
  - To utilize the bundling possibility, increase ARPU with new converged services
  - Cost rationalization
- **Mobile Operator/Service Provider**
  - Pursuing fixed/enterprise customers
  - Promote Mobility advantages
  - Evaluate access alternatives (for instance BB access)
- **Fixed Operator/Service Provider**
  - Maximize bandwidth advantage – triple play etc.
  - Expand own business with mobile access
- **CableTV Operators/Service Provider**
  - Expand business with BB access and VoIP services




© Ericsson AB 2006      Open      19      2006-06-18      ERICSSON

## Operator Roles


New Multi-Media Business Models for P-2-P, C-2-P,  
Consumer / Enterprise

the operator opportunities


<i>Walled Garden</i>	<i>Channel Provider</i>	<i>Bit-Pipe</i>	↑ End-to-End solutions ↓
content & applications	own & 3 <sup>rd</sup> party content & applications	3 <sup>rd</sup> party content & applications	
“proprietary” service layer (SL)	open controlled SL	3 <sup>rd</sup> party “SL”	
	transport backbone		



**Residential**

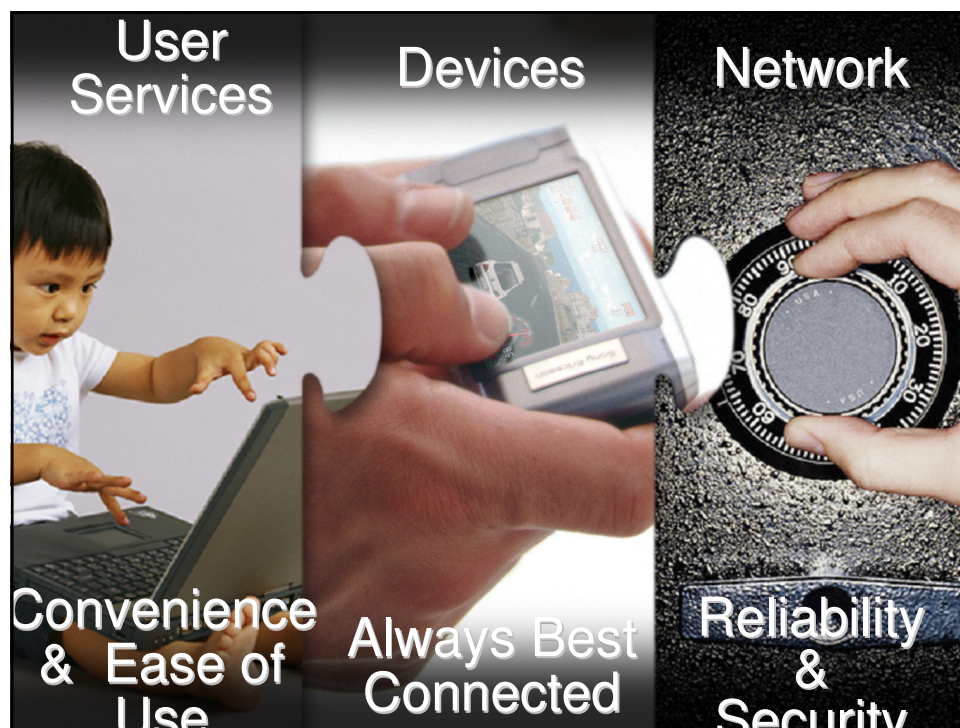


**Enterprise**



**Mobile**

© Ericsson AB 2006      Open      20      2006-06-18      ERICSSON



# Our vision

## User Services Convergence

ERICSSON 

## Common service framework

user service convergence

- Common service execution standard (IMS) for all applications
- Applications available over several accesses (Access aware service platform)
- Flexible and common charging system
- Common presence and group management functions
- Common user management
  - Different Subscription profiles for quality and speed.
- Common service management
- Common identification and authorization system (SIM card based solution)

Our vision

© Ericsson AB 2006

Open

23

2006-06-18

ERICSSON

# Our vision

## Device Convergence

ERICSSON

## The mobile phone embraces and connects product after product

**device convergence**

"Always with you"

- Credit cards
- TV receiver
- Video camera
- Game console
- GPS
- Digital camera
- MP3 player/Walkman
- Memory stick
- Color Screens
- Portable radio
- PDA
- Fax
- Pager
- Fixed phone

Communication, Entertainment, Transaction & Navigation center

Personal Communications & Content center:  
Voice, SMS, MMS, e-mail, etc

© Ericsson AB 2006      Open      25      2006-06-18      ERICSSON

## The triple play

**device convergence**

Internet (PC)

TV, Video, Audio

Telephony

**Convenience through convergence**

© Ericsson AB 2006      Open      26      2006-06-18      ERICSSON

# The connected home

**device convergence**

**APPLICATIONS**

- Off-site storage
- Electronic messaging
- Presence
- Calendar synchronization
- Collaboration

**ACCESS**

- CPE Hardware
- Shared Internet Access
- Variable access
- Shared resources (Printers)
- Any device (PC, laptop, mobile at any location)

**ADMINISTRATION**

- Account administration
- Equipment Configuration
- Service Configuration
- User Privileges
- Usage Monitoring

**ENTERTAINMENT**

- IP TV
- Interactive TV
- Streaming music
- Video on Demand
- On-line Gaming

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- Wireless Telephony
- Electronic Messaging
- Instant Messaging
- Intercom
- Voice/Video Conferencing

**SECURITY**

- In-Home Monitoring,
- Intrusion Detection
- Remote Video Surveillance
- Parental Controls
- Access Control (Firewall)
- Anti-Virus, SPAM control

**Our vision**

© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    27    2006-06-18    ERICSSON

# The Connected Home

**device convergence**

**Our vision**

© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    28    2006-06-18    ERICSSON

## Device aspects

### Summary

- Multi-access devices with intelligence to select accesses (Always Best Connected).
- Multi- and single purpose devices
- Platform architecture in devices based on open standards
- Multi purpose use of SIM-card technology (authentication/security mechanisms)
- Home Networks (Home Gateways, Triple Play etc)

device convergence

Mobile@Home



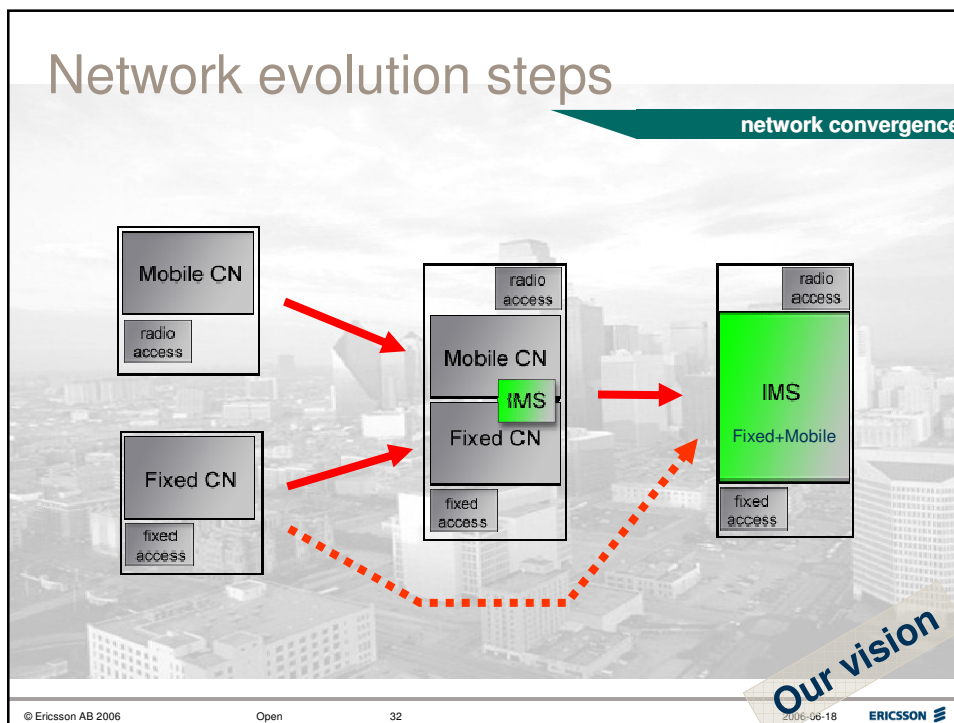
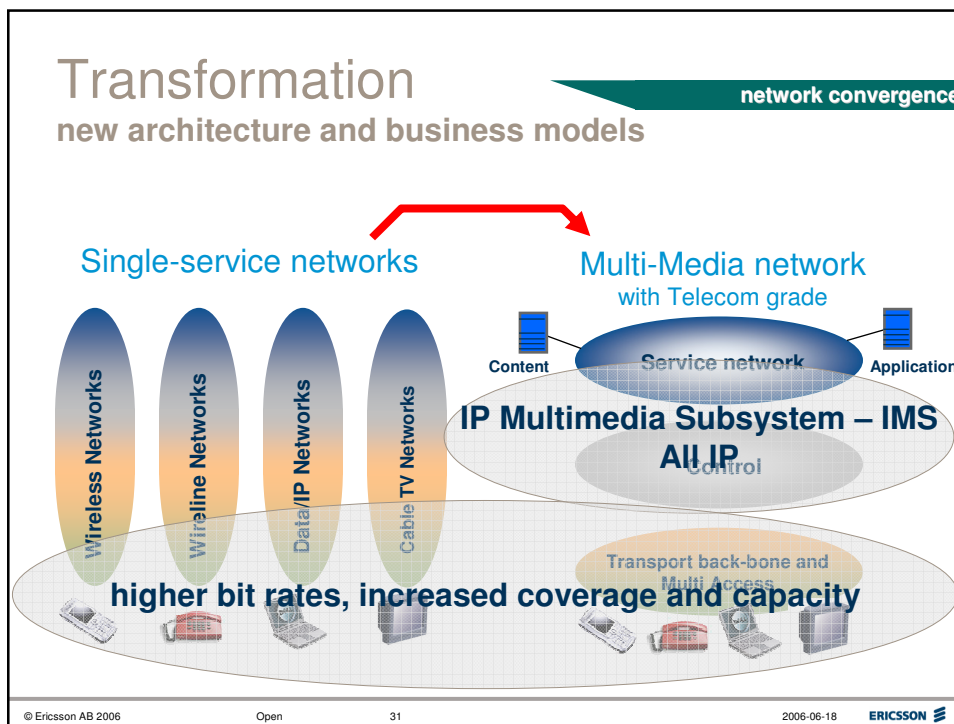
© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    29    2006-06-18    ERICSSON

# Our vision

## Network Convergence

ERICSSON





# Introducing IMS

## Co-existence with existing infrastructure

network convergence

**Our vision**

© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    33    2006-06-18    ERICSSON

# Network Convergence Implementation

network convergence

- The 3GPP IMS is the common base both for mobile and fixed access (even before a common backbone is implemented)
- Layered architecture
- Unified O&M
- Existing products for mobile and fixed access further developed to support interoperability between VoIP and CS voice
- Stepwise network migration according to specific operator needs.

**Our vision**

© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    34    2006-06-18    ERICSSON

## Network Convergence Implementation

network convergence

The diagram illustrates the network convergence architecture. At the top is a blue oval labeled 'IMS Control'. Below it is an orange oval labeled 'Transport Back-bone'. At the bottom are three green ovals labeled 'Residential', 'Enterprise', and 'Mobile', each containing icons of a house, a building, and a mobile phone respectively. These are collectively labeled 'Gateways and Service Nodes'. The background is a grayscale cityscape.

**Access**

- Optimised GSM/WCDMA/CDMA radio access network for IMS (IP-telephony and Video over IP)
- High speed fixed broadband access using IMS functionality
- Growth of short/medium range radio technologies (WLAN, Wimax, Bluetooth) as an extension of fixed broadband access.

**Our vision**

© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    35    2006-06-18    ERICSSON

## Network Convergence Implementation

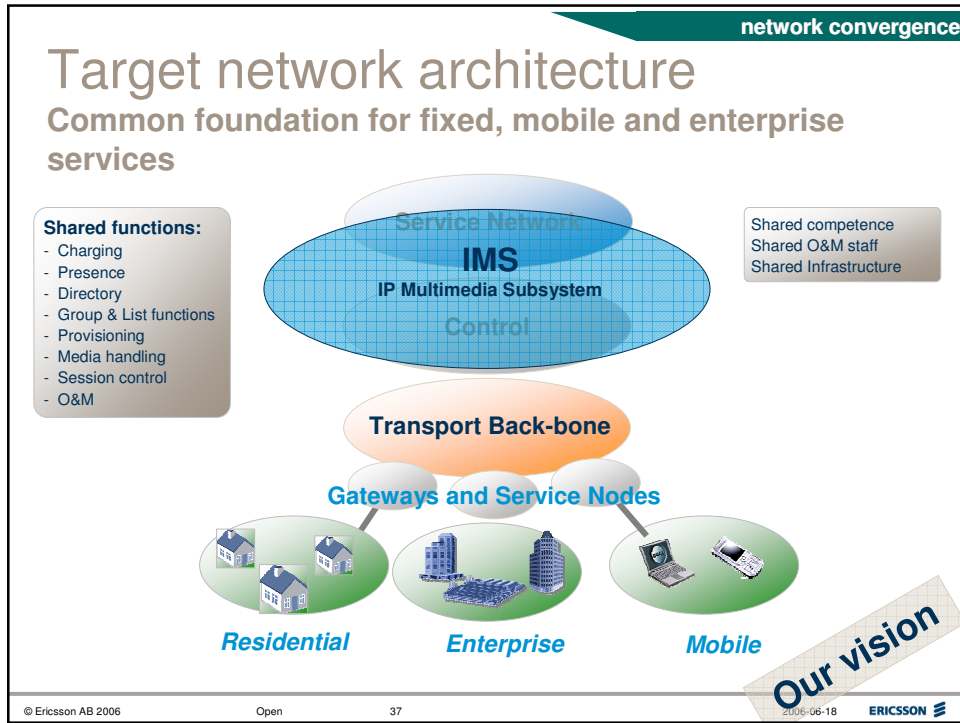
network convergence

The diagram illustrates the network convergence architecture. At the top is a blue oval labeled 'IMS Control'. Below it is an orange oval labeled 'Transport Back-bone'. At the bottom are three green ovals labeled 'Residential', 'Enterprise', and 'Mobile', each containing icons of a house, a building, and a mobile phone respectively. These are collectively labeled 'Gateways and Service Nodes'. The background is a grayscale cityscape.

- Common IP based backbone
- MGW's, Session Border Gateways and other key nodes combined into the same physical nodes.

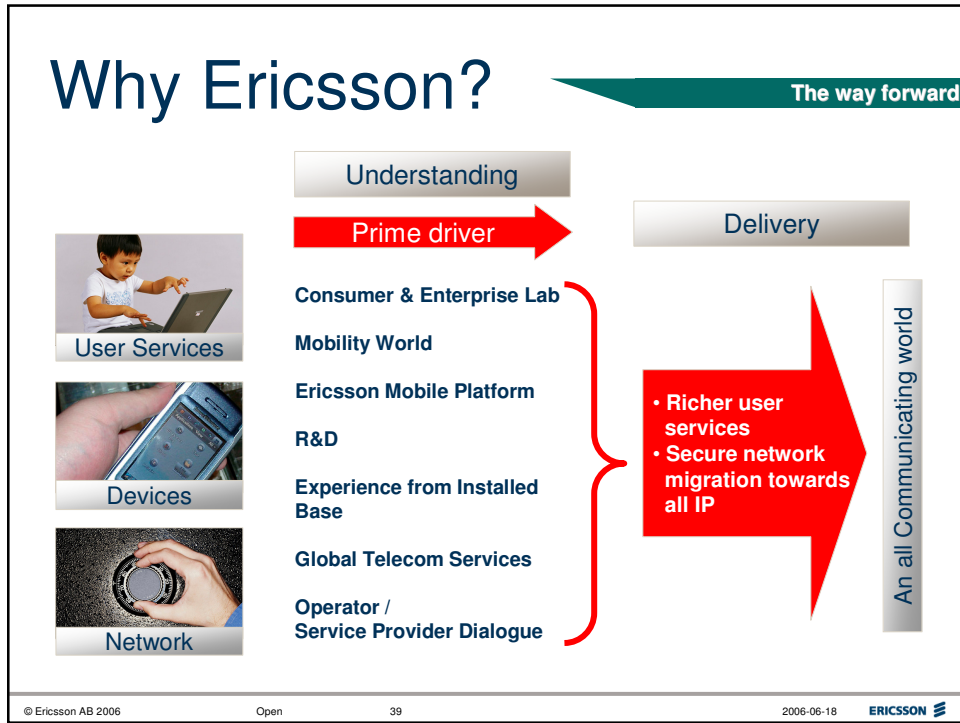
**Our vision**

© Ericsson AB 2006    Open    36    2006-06-18    ERICSSON



# The way forward

**ERICSSON**



summary

ERICSSON

## Ericsson position on convergence

- Ericsson believes in growth of the telecom industry and the vision of an all communicating world.
- Ericsson believes in the significance of convergence and will actively pursue the business and technology evolution in these areas.
- Ericsson continuously develops a product portfolio that leverages on the installed base.
- Based on our understanding of the specific operator and user needs Ericsson tailors converged solutions.

## Convergence summary

- Operators will explore convergence in order to grow their business and reduce cost
- Main end-user benefits are Ease of use, Always Best Connected, Reliability and Security
- Convergence is implemented in three dimensions: User Services, Devices and Network.
- The evolution starting point, requirements and needs are unique for each Operator/Service Provider.
- Ericsson supports convergence with a stepwise approach starting from the installed base

