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Case Study - Tunisia

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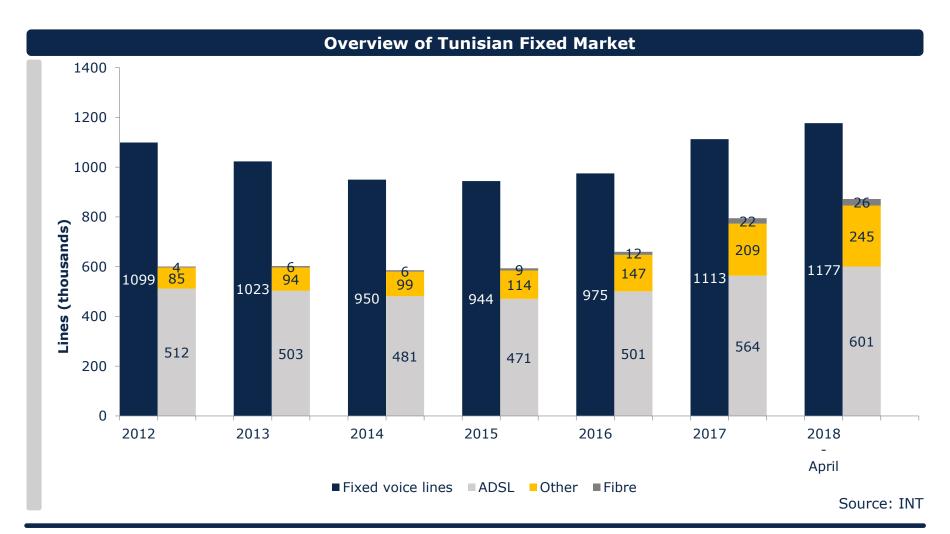
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Introduction

- ▶ The Instance Nationale des Telecommunications (INT) is in charge of telecoms regulation in Tunisia.
- ▶ INT is currently working to promote deployment of NGA FTTH networks in Tunisia while ensuring sustainability and proper competition levels.
- ► This presentation aims providing an overview of the Tunisian case as well as how cost modelling can support relevant regulatory decisions.



Fibre access lines still represent a limited part of the fixed market, being dominated by legacy (copper) network

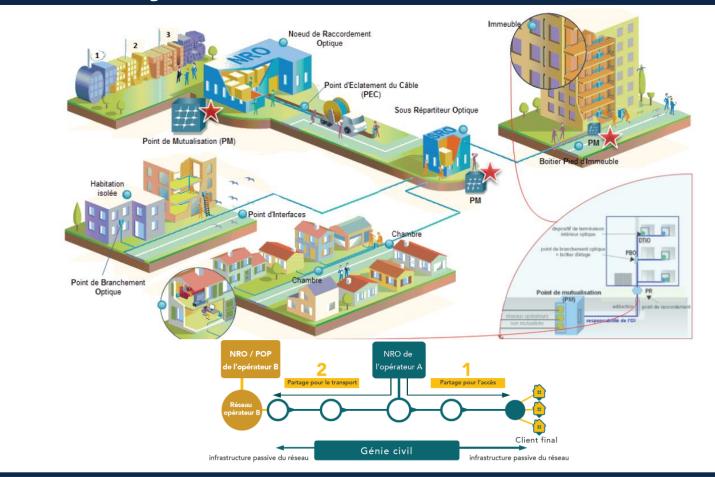






In order to promote FTTH deployment, INT intends to define sharing policies which are under discussion with the industry

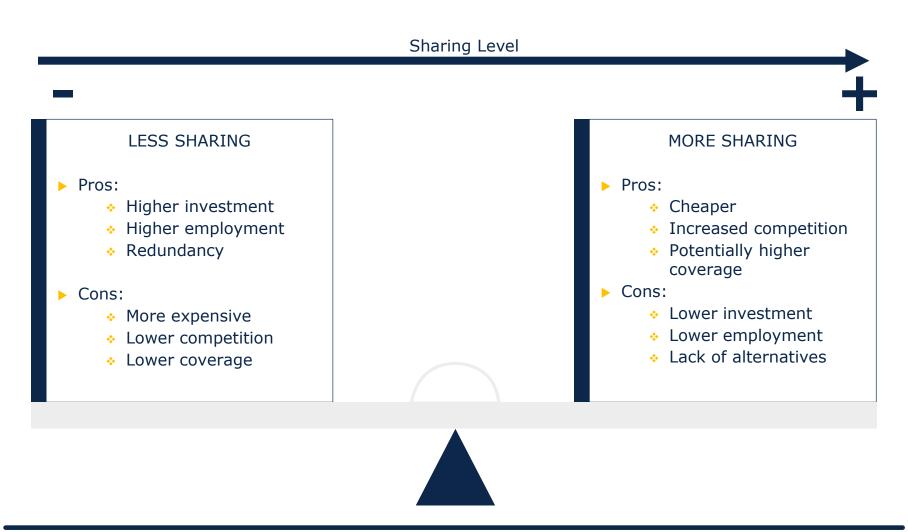
INT's sharing model shared for consultation and discussions with stakeholders





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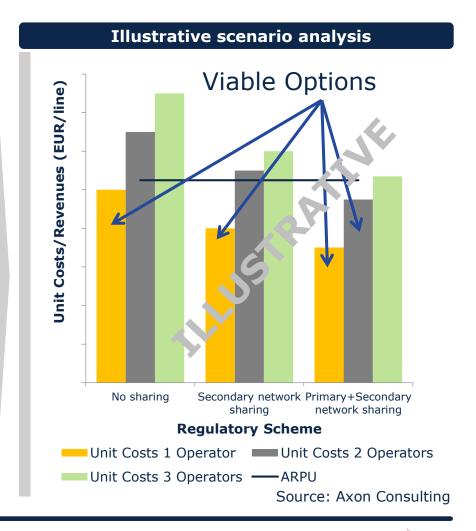
The difficulty lies on where the sharing point should be located





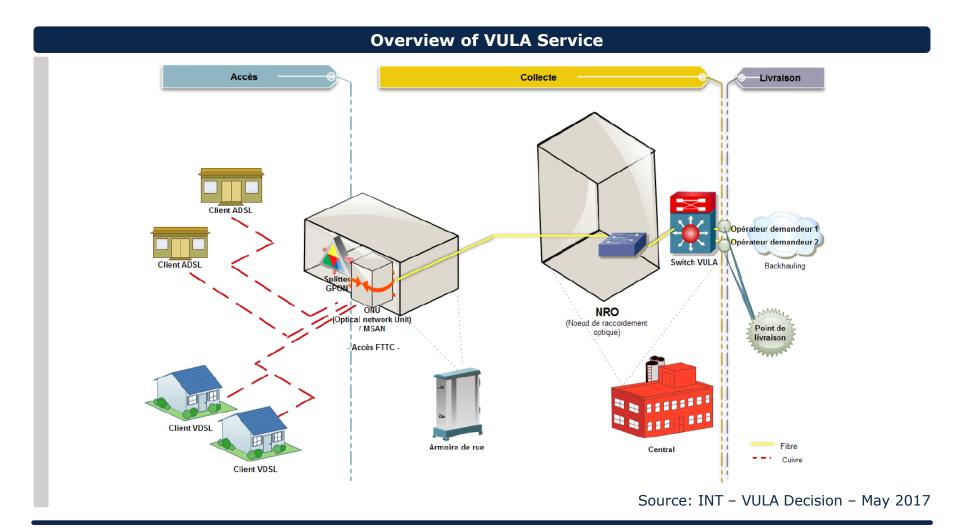
Costing models can support NRAs in the decision on preferred sharing scenario

- Revenues which operators can obtain from a market are limited by customer's willingness to pay for telecommunication services
- Network duplicities (e.g. parallel networks) result in an overall country expenditure that can induce market failures and/or push competitors out
- Regulations regarding wholesale pricing and network sharing seek an increase of viable competitors





Additionally to exploring sharing policies, INT has recently approved regulations for VULA service to promote FTTH adoption







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