





## 5G: The future of Mobile Internet

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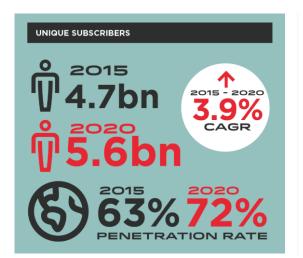


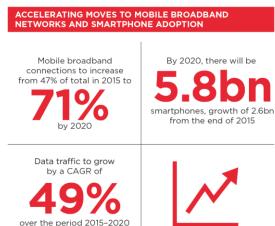
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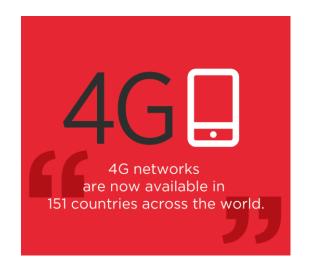


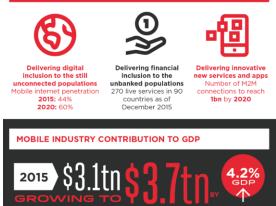




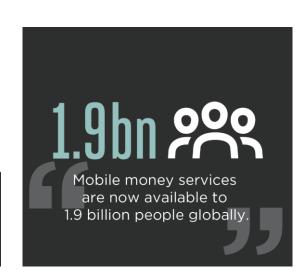


## The mobile economy 2016





MOBILE CONTRIBUTING TO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ACROSS THE WORLD





#### Mobile coverage in Europe

#### Population coverage driving deployment

- Priority is to provide coverage in populated areas first (meeting spectrum licence targets)
- 4G is the fastest technology to be deployed already surpassed
   3/4 of the population coverage
- 2G coverage in Europe almost total

Radio Technology (Generation)	Coverage (population)
GSM (2G)	99%
UMTS (3G)	96%
LTE (4G)	76%

Aggregated European coverage by population (source: GSMAi)



## 3G network coverage by population





## 4G network coverage by population



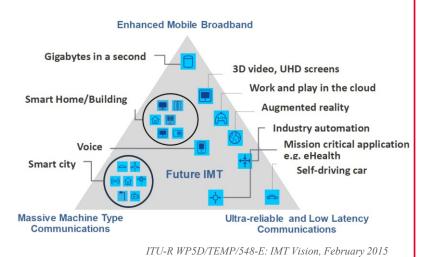


## **Challenges to Ubiquitous Coverage**

Spectrum consideration		Network expansion strategy		Logistical considerations (for remote areas)	
•	Radio signals weaken faster the higher the frequency	•	Viability of cell depends on the traffic carried by the cell	•	Backhauling- transporting data to and from the cell reliably
•	Adding cells increase interference lowering the system capacity	•	Populated areas and road network take precedence	•	Site maintenance- security of site, antenna tilting, upgrading, visits Operation – e.g.
•	Large cells possible at below 1 GHz spectrum (700 MHz, 800 MHz), but need favourable terrain	•	This is true also in advanced networks	•	Electricity supply  Site Costs – e.g. rental and planning rules



#### The Future for Ubiquitous Coverage?



#### 5G as an Ecosystem

- New 5G radio technology is likely to be suitable for hotspot-like coverage
- 5G Core however could be designed to support wide variety of access technologies
- Heterogeneous network deployment holds the key to ubiquitous mobile service



#### **Potential Solutions: Policy levers**



#### How can regulations help?

 Ensure spectrum suitable for wide area coverage is made available for mobile communications

- Better and faster to access sites for base station deployments
- Less restrictive planning permissions









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