

# Fixed and Mobile Convergence (FMC) (and FWA in a 5G Covid environment)

- major factors for future networks

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#### **FMC Questions and Answers**



- Convergence between fixed and mobile ('5G in the time of the pandemic')?
- Minimum benefits and limits of FMC?
- Has the pandemic impacted public and private plans?

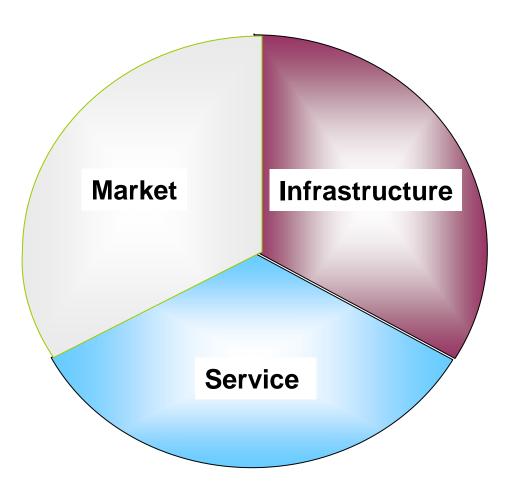
#### Key points to consider:-

- 1. REAL 5G business case for FMC cost of infrastructure and density of deployment vs demand for services drives FMC for *infrastructure cost cutting* as Backhaul is main cost - need to re-use existing infrastructure (NS 5G model) – integrate F & M
- 2. REAL 5G business model mobile broadband for consumers especially SVOD entertainment drives FMC via fixed wireless access (FWA) for consumer demand
- 3. Scenarios of deployment of FMC infrastructures will FWA exceed mobile?
- 4. Quality measures for future FMC networks: KQIs
- 5. Choice of Services for fixed (including FWA), and services for mobile, evolution of fixed line with FWA (mobile as fixed) – and optimisation
- 6. COVID effects drives FWA but problems of indoor penetration with higher GHz (above 3Ghz – up to 28 GHz)
- 7. Mix n' Match FMC enables SME Open RAN suppliers to provide more equipment.

For densification expect more complex street furniture for Associates LTD outside plant to serve multiple small cell technologies - both indoors and outdoors - using heterogeneous backhaul technologies Eg non-standalone 5G for small cells (SAWAPs) 3GPP Macro Wi-Fi Site 3GPP small cell Wi-Fi -LTE-A -5G-NR-NS Non-LoS Microwave Indoor xDSL as Backhaul **Fibre Optic** in existing ducts **Broadband Backhaul** 



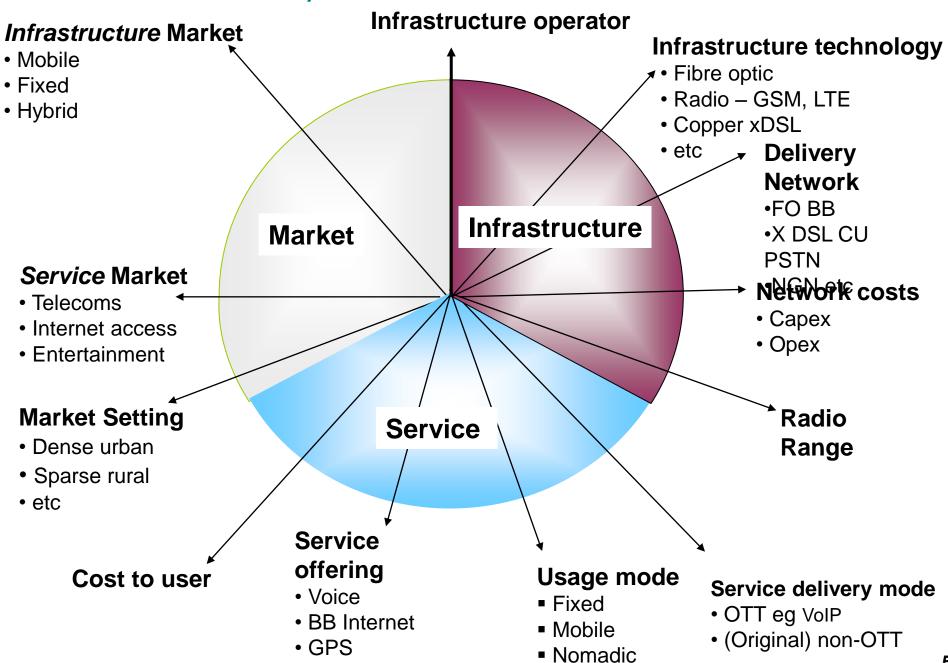
# Dimensions of FMC - Fixed Mobile Convergence and FMS – Fixed Mobile Substitution



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#### **Dimensions of FMC/FMS**





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## Suggested taxonomy of Telecommunications QoS & QoE parameters



#### Reliability

(consistency/ availability/repeatability/ resilience/ interconnection)

MTBF, MTTR - Physical Coverage

Time variation in QoS during session, day, Week, year

#### **Basic transport**

# Signal Strength

Indoors & Outdoors
Local loop extremity
Rain/ foliage
Ferro concrete
& insulation
Coverage

### Data Channel Capability

Bandwidth
Bit rate (D/L-U/L)
Volume capacity
Parallel sessions
Latency
Side channels
& interference

### Communications Session

#### **Packets**

Packet drop rate Rate, Delay, Jitter False packets acceptance

#### Internet

Access

#### Web

Performance

#### Calls

Success rate of set up Drop rate/retention rate Set-up Delay Blocking probability

#### Media Conditions

#### **Audio Quality**

Sound bandwidth
Voice quality
Noise level
Distortion
Consistency

#### **Video Quality**

Channel bandwidth
Picture and colour quality
Resolution, luminescence
Image Distortion
Pixellation/aliasing

### Real world Constraints

### Security & Privacy

Risk level ID Protection

#### Accessibility

Handicap Ageing

#### Health

RF radiated signal limits (Centi/ Millimetric)

#### **Energy**

Footprint
Consumption
GHG level

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### Evolution of FMC over the next 20 years in 5 scenarios Associates LTD

Scenario 1: Popular entertainment rules the web - and the networks - thru convergence of media and communications industry, dominant media players and services – for broadband media delivery anywhere

# Scenario 2: Industrial IoT platform drives FMC/FMS via n/w slicing



Scenario 3: Internet Radio World - Simple ultra low cost lightweight radio networks using small cells, mesh networks, long distance Wi-Fi/WiMAX, LEO satellite/stratellite and existing NGA all for OTT services only

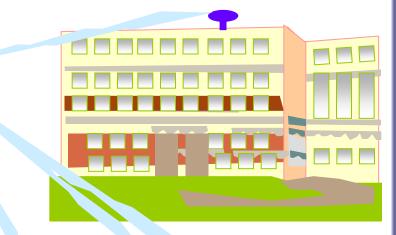
Scenario 4: smart cities with a mixed Home life and Urban living space - based on small cell densification reaching equally into rural areas for BB everywhere

**Scenario 5:** Linked local communities are the telecoms infrastructure – Telecomia

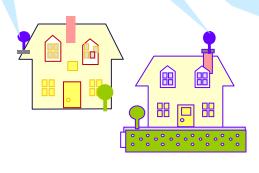
Real business case for the short term? - '5G' for wireless broadband to buildings as *Fixed Wireless Access* (FWA): Gigabit speeds to multiple users

in the local loop (urban and suburban)

#### Shared Mast Antenna



Transmission Relay
Building with fibre optic
backhaul, and/or LoS
microwave, or other
directional beam with
indoor repeater if
necessary





Early 5G FWA example: repeater point on dwelling or apartment houses for indoor penetration – pilot model without full MIMO, or Multi-Stream Aggregation so shared capacity:Bandwidth 2GHz

40 simultaneous users

2.0 bps/Hz (2000x2)/50 =100 Mbps /user in AT&T field Trials, H2, 2016 in millimetric band

ATT acquires DirecTV and Time Warner /Turner as media portfolio

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