

The Journey to 5G

A path to excellent connectivity

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Network Evolution has to cope with several critical points

Current deployment model (add spectrum, add infrastructure) does not scale well when confronted with the new challenges ahead:

- Traffic growth
- New traffic patterns
- Ever **growing number of connected devices**, some with unprecedented coverage requirements
- **Spectrum and technology decisions** take much longer than the lifecycles of most new services
- New business opportunities not addressable by current technologies
- Current network upgrade model does not scale well with the foreseen data explosion



5G can represent an excellent opportunity to foster a new network revolution





5G should be able to take cost and economic sustainability into account







5G brings new technological innovations

Network **capabilities will be increased** through the use of **advanced innovations**, like the following ones:

- New radios operating at ultra-high frequencies (up to 100 GHz), with huge bandwidths (hundreds of MHz) for unprecedented immersive video experience
- A new and flexible **Transport Architecture** capable to leverage existing transport means
- A new Network Architecture supporting network slicing on the basis of NFV, SDN and MEC
- Flexible assignment of **centralized/distributed network functions** for multiple scenarios
- Increased capacity per surface area by using massive numbers of antennas at the BS side
- A new **mobility paradigm**, less dependent on the device under full control of the network
- Advanced support of **machine-type traffic** (both for ultra-reliable needs and for sensor-like massive connections)
- Ultra-low latency and ultra-high reliability for critical applications
- Fixed/mobile convergence









5G is another step in the development cycle of our Wireless Technologies



5G will integrate existing and new radio technologies and add new capabilities to deliver:



- Lower costs, multiple efficiency mechanisms
- More scalable networks
- Ubiquitous performance
- Very high Bitrates and extremely low Latencies
- New services
- New paradigm for network evolution reducing the need to upgrade/replace every time new requirements arise





Business case for 5G is the key question

Vertical industries may bring new businesses

3GPP use case



Challenge



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More feedback from industries is required for 5G to be able to address the needs from verticals

- The different use cases to be supported in 5G have different requirements, not only in terms of performance (latency, throughput and availability), but also in terms of functionality
- New business models will be mainly enabled by the network slicing in the 5G network, thus providing the flexibility required for the customization of the network
- Up to now only the automotive industry is steering the definition of 5G requirements and standards through the **5G Automotive Alliance**







We are actively contributing to the development of 5G

Cooperating for global adoption (Standards)

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Participating in the **Technology** development

Collaborating with the **Industry** players

Setting up spaces for In-house R&D, Innovation

- Participating in **standardization bodies** (GSMA, 3GPP, ONF, ETSI NFV and MEC ISGs, ITU-R), as well as other forums that influence the standardization process, like NGMN or 5G Americas.
- Working actively in EU research programs (Horizon 2020 program, 5G PPP), both in Phase I and in the upcoming Phase II (more than 20 proposals submitted).
- Contributing to, and supporting, the 5G Manifesto.
- Bilateral **cooperation agreements** (MoUs) with some of the main players in the ecosystem (Ericsson, Huawei, Intel, ZTE, and more to come), in order to have access to confidential developments.
- Creating an **open 5G lab, 5TONIC**, for open experimentation and cocreation of new 5G services and products involving technology providers, operators and final users (including verticals).





LTE keeps playing an essential role in our strategy

4G networks will be progressively evolving towards 5G

There are thee fundamental reasons for keeping LTE as an essential asset:

- 1. Investments and rollouts are still ongoing
- 2. Evolved LTE will be an integrating part of **non-standalone 5G systems**
- 3. LTE can serve for the early introduction of new 5G capabilities (e.g. Cloud RAN, massive MIMO...)

Some LTE advanced features can be gradually introduced:

- New radio capabilities (shorter TTIs, massive MIMO...)
- New services (FWA, CloT, vehicular...)
- New network capabilities (CloudRAN, SDN/NFV...)
- New frequency bands (3.5 G, unlicensed bands...)



Next 5G deployments will require:

- New network capabilities
- Pervasive use of fiber for the backhaul (alternatives also required, like mmwaves)
- Reliance on Evolved LTE





NB-IoT and LTE-M solve the most important connectivity hurdles of present IoT communications

Applications **better suited for LTE-M** if they require

- Mobility
- Voice
- Less tolerance to latency (10-15 ms)
- Higher throughput class
- Bigger messages

Applications **better suited for NB-IoT** if they require

- No mobility
- No voice
- Latency (1-4 s)
- Ultra low data
- Small messages





Currently, we are getting our networks ready for IoT explosion







First 5G remote driving concept

Telefónica & Ericsson joint demo

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Telefonica and Ericsson demonstrate the first 5G remote driving concept Showcasing 5G's features through a immersive perception of reality demo

- The demo showcases 5G's reliability, high speed and low latency – key elements for remotely-driven cars
- The demo uses Telefonica's trial 5G network to drive a car (provided by KTH, the Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm) at a race track in Tarragona, Spain, from remote locations at La Fira (Telefonica and Ericsson's booth)



- The demo leverages on high-frequency spectrum (at 15 GHz), with ultra-narrow beams continuously tracking the cars from a 5G base station, located at 70 km track race, to ensure reliability, and ultra-low latency transport network to connect the cars with Fira
- Driver in remote location gets "in car" experience thanks to 4K video streams and sensors transmitting from the car to the seat, and haptic control/feedback on the steering wheel. All of them provide fully-detailed sensory perception to the remote driver, that is "haptic communications" (also known as "tactile Internet")





5G Demo characteristics







