

International Network Generations Roadmap (INGR) Virtual Workshop Connecting the Unconnected

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10-year Vision

- By 2030, every adult should have affordable access to digital networks, as well as digitally-enabled services in industry verticals, as a means to make a substantial contribution to achieving the UN's Vision 2030 Sustainability Development Goals (SDGs)
- Access to Information is transformational to improve quality of life of every person on this planet, requiring ubiquitous access to broadband Internet
- Digital enablement is faster and much less expensive than building physical infrastructure
- Broad, multi-stakeholder alliance, involving the UN is a must to create a platform for sharing <u>digital public goods (DPGs)</u>, engaging talent and pooling data sets, in a manner that respects privacy and engages those who are expected to benefit
- IEEE FNI INGR WG on CTU endeavors to bring all the global initiatives on a single forum to raise awareness to bridge the digital divide, identify requirements, drive standards, and create critical mass to bring down cost of broadband access.



International Network Generations Roadmap | FutureNetworks.ieee.org/roadmap



Scope

- Focus on technical requirements and commercial sustainability
- Address issues, requirements, and solutions to affordable backhaul to remote and rural areas
- Identify solutions to providing local coverage with the micro-operator service model
- Identify high priority needs of those living in rural areas
- Develop open network architecture where the target user segment could participate, where content is delivered from the edge (from local servers) and is potentially free of charge
- Raise awareness to HCI/UI which is compatible with the capacity of the target user community (digitally illiterate); i.e., migration from text based UI to audio and video in local languages
- Simplified authentication and security solutions
- In Dec 2019, a high level overview of the CTU Group and its ambition along with the scope of the WP was provided
- 1st edition in June 2020 provided a more detailed set of requirements, gaps and roadmap
- 2nd edition (in Nov 2020) will provide progress toward filling the gaps and potential solutions





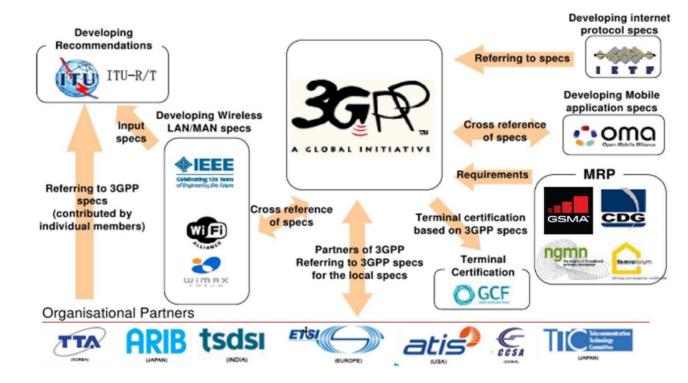
Today's Landscape

- Significant emphasis on enabling 5G and B5G to meet high-end requirements of the developed markets, not much on how 5G and B5G can meet the challenges of the developing world
- Technologies of NFV, edge computing and cloud not being investigated for the CTU, despite them being suitable to reduce CAPEX and OPEX
- mmWave not suitable for rural coverage, instead lower bands are more suitable
- Need more lenient regulatory environment for rural connectivity
- Micro-operator eco-system that interworks with the large operators required
- Innovations in business models required, such as Freemium, credits for sharing resources, boosting proliferation
- Community engagement with local population must to make services relevant and affordable by reducing OPEX
- Use of TVWS is desirable to lower backhaul costs
- Collaborate with organizations with similar goals for economy of scale and global harmonization





Potential Collaboration Opportunities







Top Needs for 10-year Vision

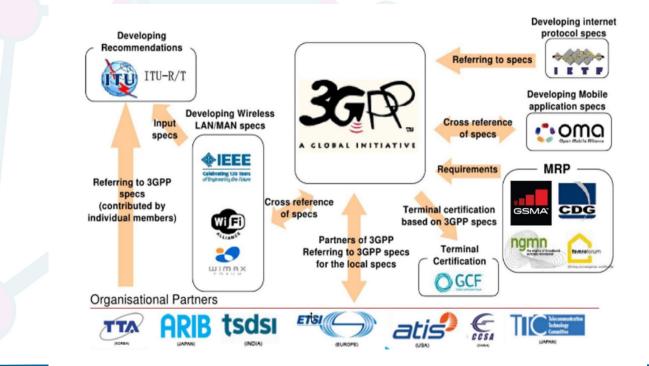
- Availability of low-band spectrum for long-reach, including TVWS, Low-Altitude satellites and balloons
- Cost-optimized open and distributed network architectures and standards that promotes community participation
- Cost-effective local coverage solutions with community engagement to educe CAPEX and OPEX
- Intelligent reflecting antenna repeaters, Long-range Wi-Fi, and FSO for backhaul in rugged NLOS terrain scenarios
- Dedicated CTU network slice in 5G and B5G as a tax on operators for social good
- Edge-based content storage and delivery architectures to improve QoS and reduce costs
- Cost-effective access to renewable energy sources where grid is unavailable or intermittent
- Simplified HCI (Human Computer Interface), user authentication and security
- Innovation in business models with inclusion of human-impact KPIs and participation of users in the business eco-system
- Tiered regulatory regime for varying population segments based on regions and affordability with support from USOF (Universal Service Obligation Fund)





Challenges and Solutions to Meet Needs (1/9)

(1) Cooperation and collaboration to create critical mass and global visibility

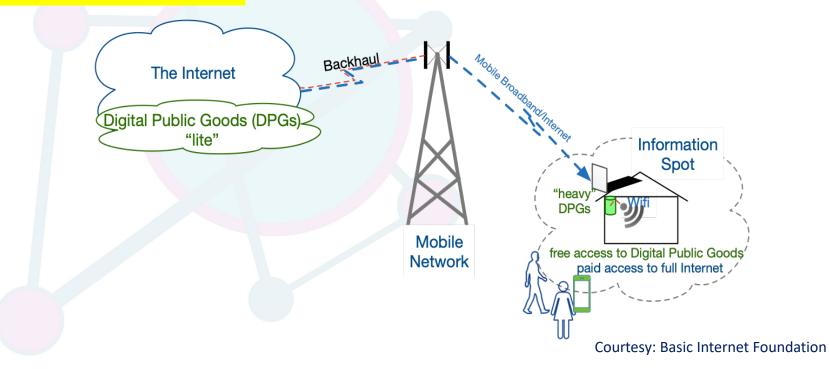






Challenges and Solutions to Meet Needs (2/9)

(2) Community Networks

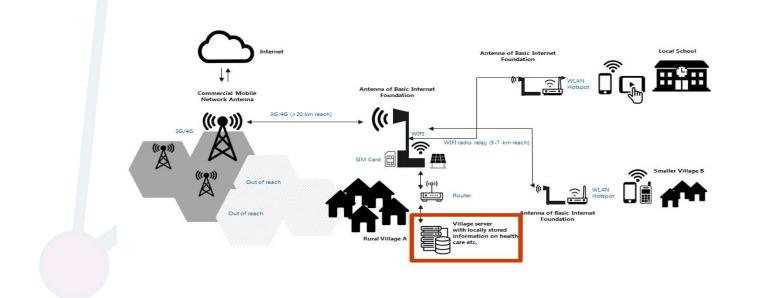






Challenges and Solutions to Meet Needs (3/9)

(3) Distributed and Open Architecture



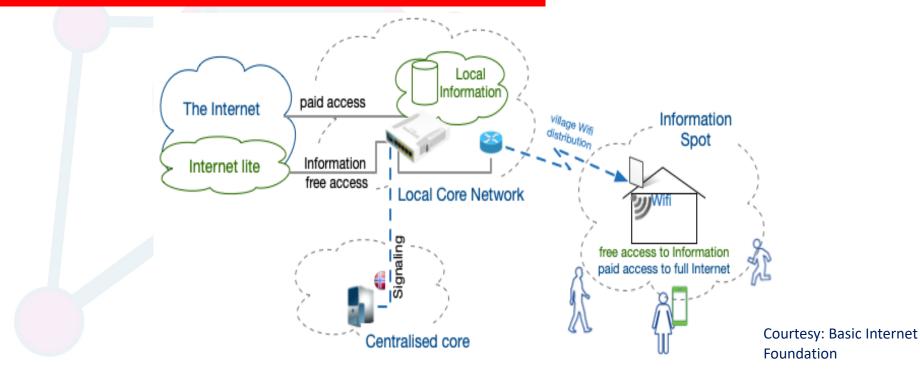
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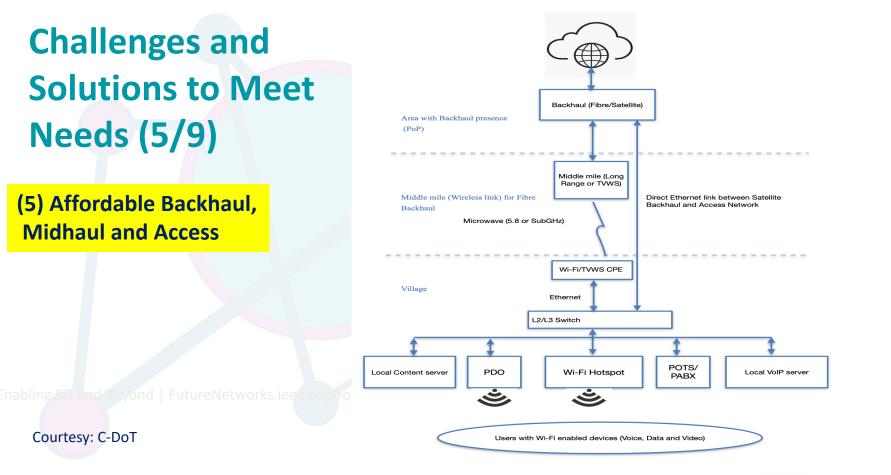
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Challenges and Solutions to Meet Needs (4/9)

(4) "Network slice for All" to Bridge the Digital Divide



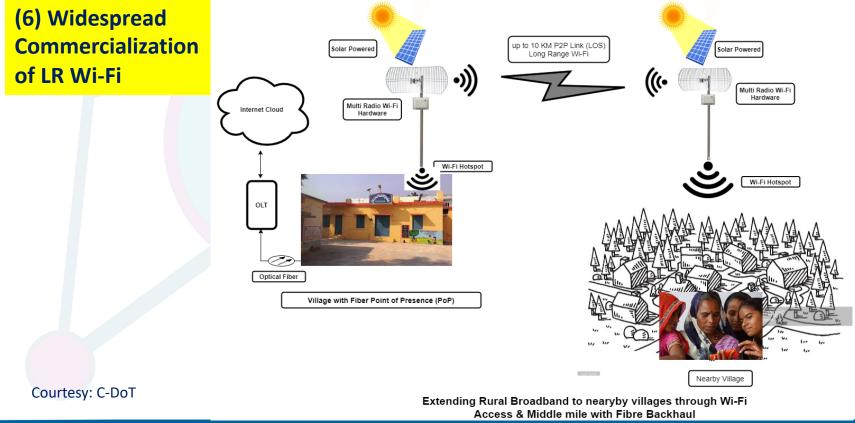








Challenges and Solutions to Meet Needs (6/9)

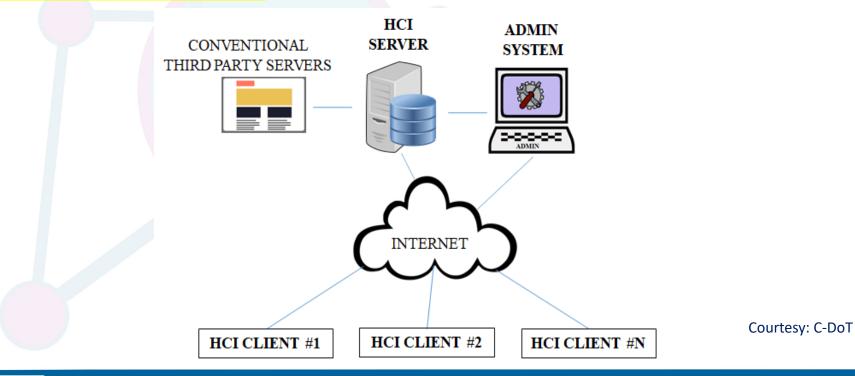






Challenges and Solutions to Meet Needs (7/9)

(7) Simplified Non-text HCI



Future Networks



Challenges and Solutions to Meet Needs (8/9)

(8) Simplified User Authentication and Security

- APP based authentication
- QR code based authentication
- Audio based authentication
- Face recognition
- Biometric authentication
- MAC-based authentication
- Mobile + OTP
- Password protected Wi-Fi configuration
- Require use of https







Challenges and Solutions to Meet Needs (9/9)

- Spectrum Refarming and Regulatory Relief
- Innovative Business models promoting user participation and micro-operator eco-system
- Network resource sharing
- Local capacity building to absorb technology
- Uninterrupted availability of power and use of renewable energy sources





Stakeholders

Users, Governments, Network operators, Service and App providers, manufacturers

At IEEE FNI INGR: Several (15) Working Groups (<u>https://futurenetworks.ieee.org/roadmap</u>)

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Next Steps

- Periodic Working Groups Meetings
- Work on the second edition of the Working Group document
- Bring Your Research Ideas, Talks to discuss in the meeting
- CTU Workshops, Conferences
- CTU Webinars and Podcasts
- CTU Hackathon, Proof-of-Concept
- Industry and Standards Engagement





Cross Team Meeting Schedule for June 17 and 18

Please contact working group co-chairs if you are interested to attend, we will share the webex links Contacts: CTU Working Group Co-Chairs

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