

# **Telco 2015** *five telling years, four future scenarios*





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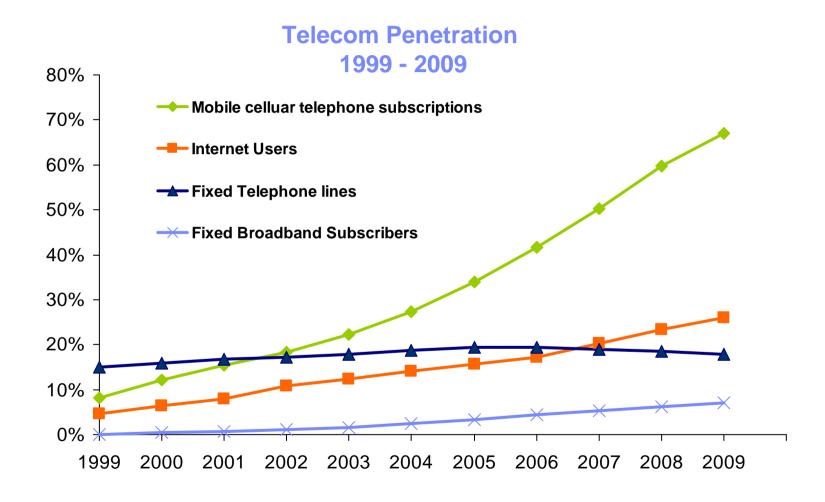
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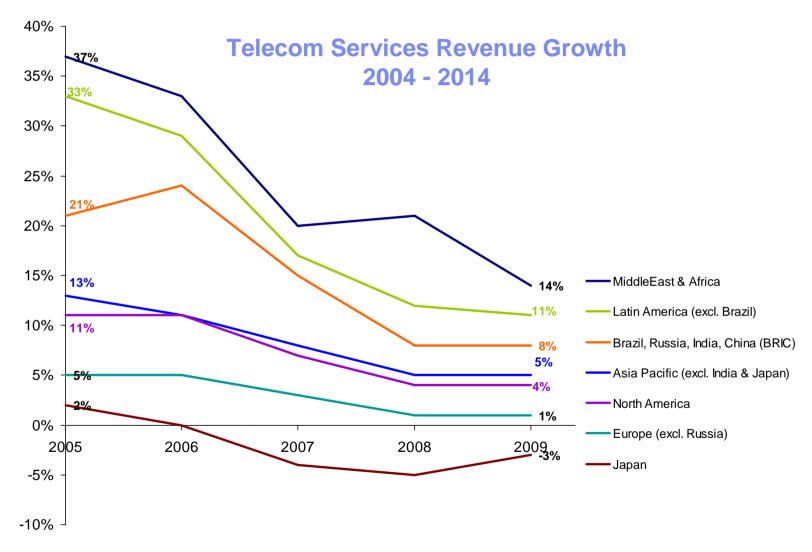


## Over the past decade global communications penetration and in mobile cellular telephony specifically has been phenomenal



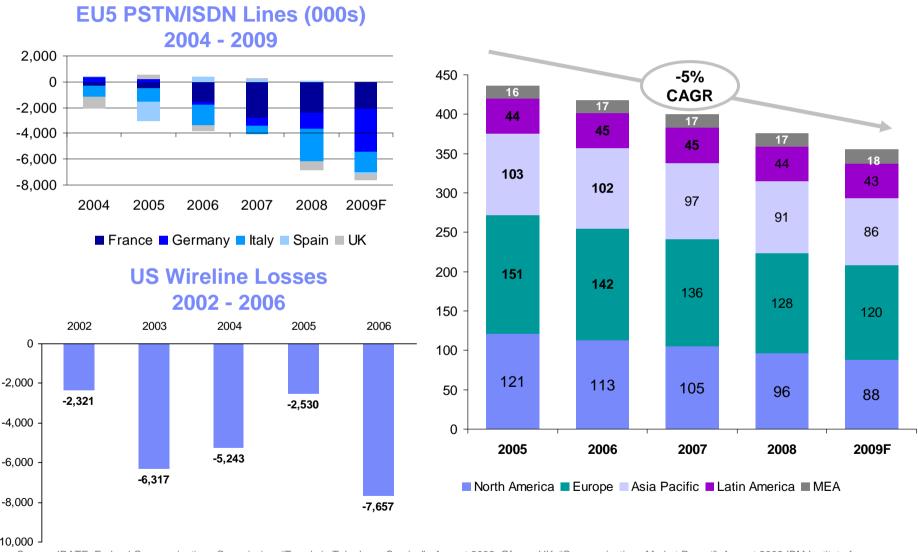


## However, the key engines for growth - mobile cellular telephony and emerging markets expansion - have begun to stall





## There is a long-term decline in fixed telephony (PSTN) lines and revenues

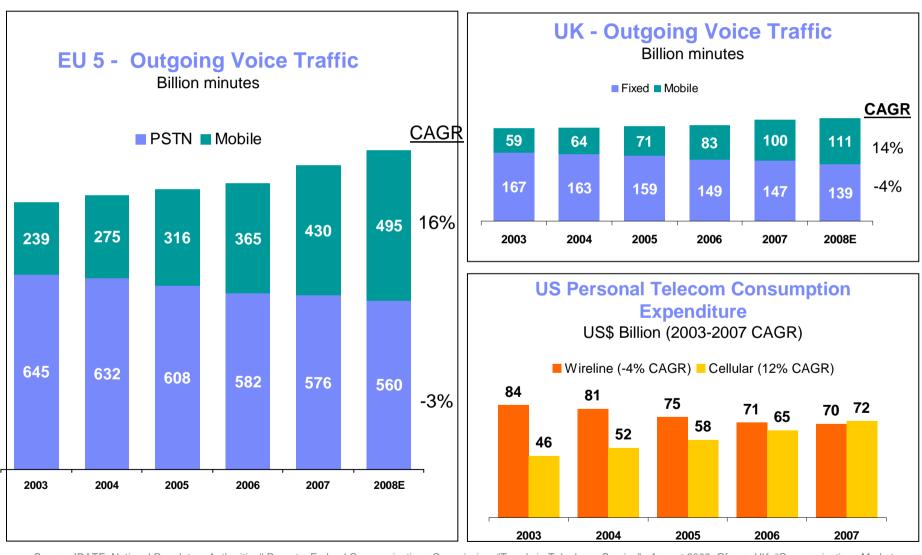


Source: IDATE; Federal Communications Commission, "Trends in Telephone Service", August 2008, Ofcom, UK, "Communications Market Report", August 2009 (Support Comporation Business Value (IBV) Analysis

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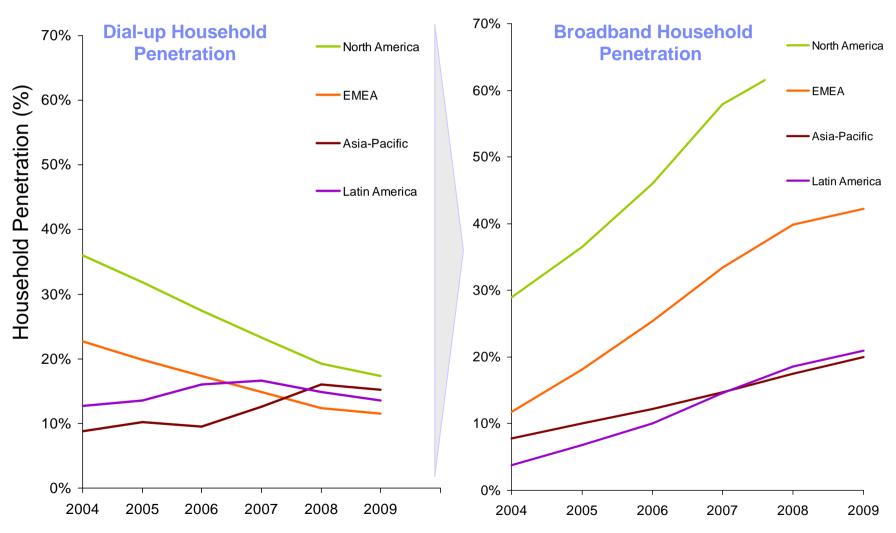
### Fixed-mobile substitution continues



Source: IDATE, National Regulatory Authorities" Reports, Federal Communications Commission, "Trends in Telephone Service", August 2008, Ofcom, UK, "Communications Market Report", August 2009 IBM Institute for Business Value (IBV) Analysis



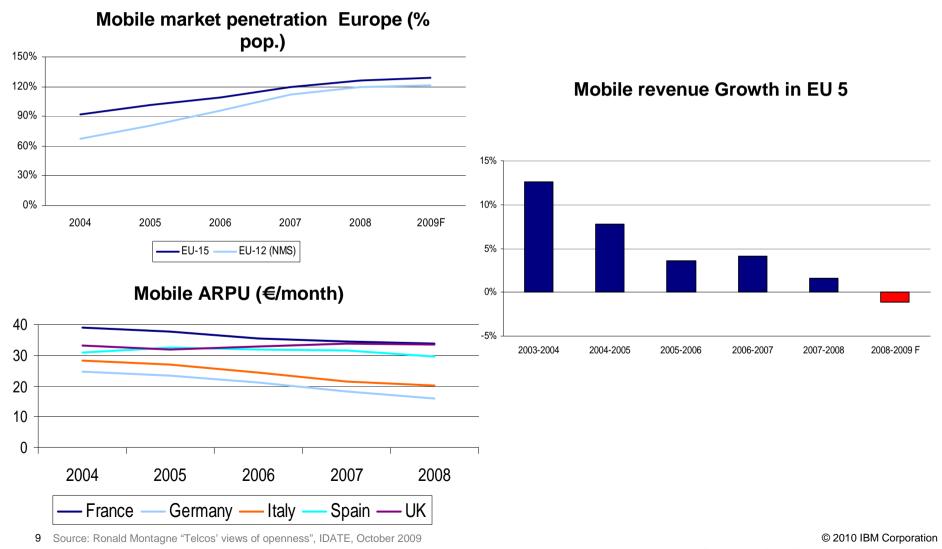
## Dial-up access is in decline as connectivity shifts to broadband fuelled an expansion of xDSL, cable modem and FTTx



Source: PwC Media and Entertainment Outlook 2009-2013; IBM Institute for Business Value (IBV)

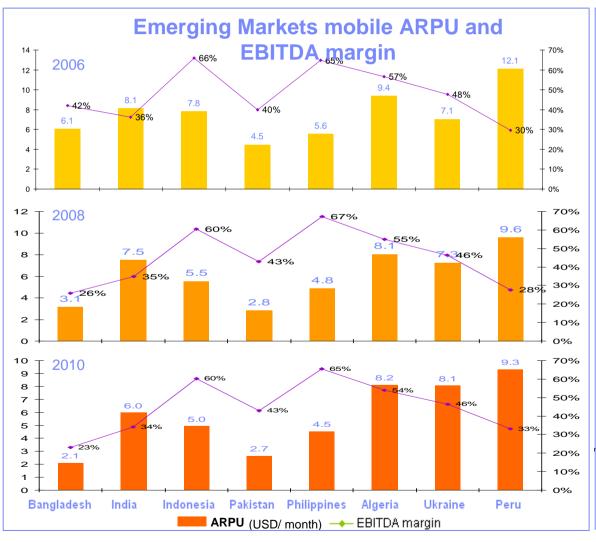


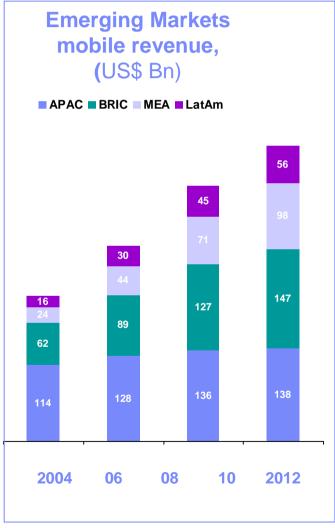
## In markets with high mobile penetration, such as Europe, revenue growth and ARPU are declining





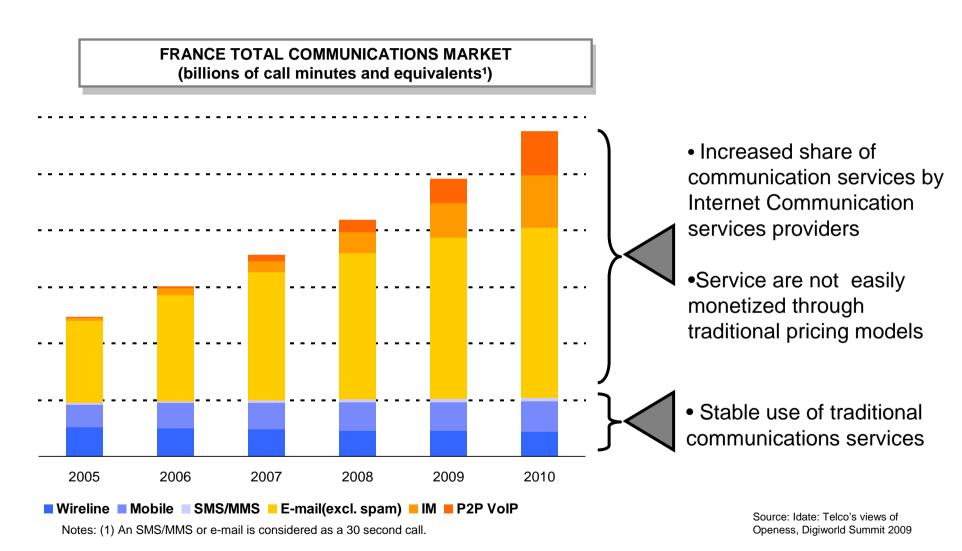
## However emerging markets telecom providers continue to secure growth and profits from serving low ARPU customers





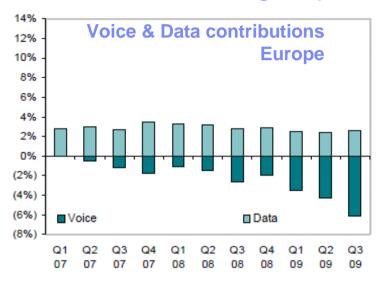


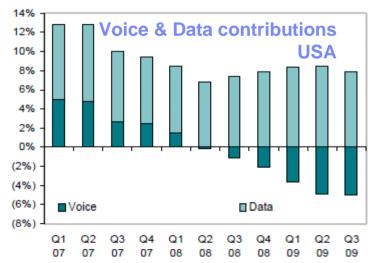
## Overall communications have increased but much of the growth in is over-the-top; traditional telco services share remain unchanged



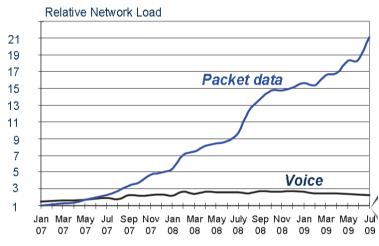


## A bright spot has been the phenomenal growth of mobile broadband with the rollout of High Speed Packet Access (HSPA) networks ...





#### **HSPA** traffic growth – World average



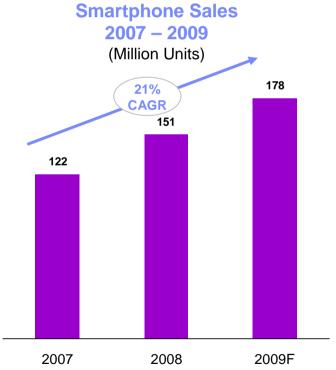
Source: Ericssor

Overall, global mobile traffic has more than doubled in the past year, reaching 33 Petabytes (PB) per month in 2008, and 85 PB per month in 2009

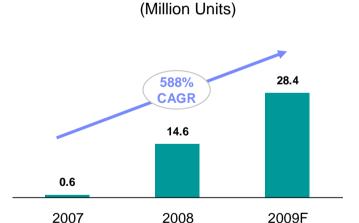


## ... driven in part by increased penetration of Smartphones and HSDPA-enabled USB keys and dongles for laptops / Netbooks









**Netbook Sales** 

2007 - 2009

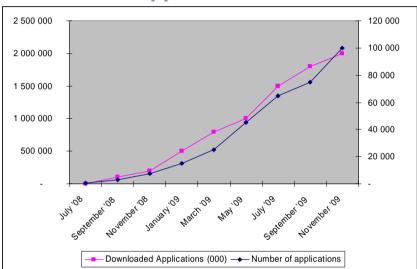


## The explosion of mobile applications is driven by devices like iPhone and AppStores but the latter's revenue contributions are low

#### **Mobile application stores**



## AppStore: Downloaded and available applications

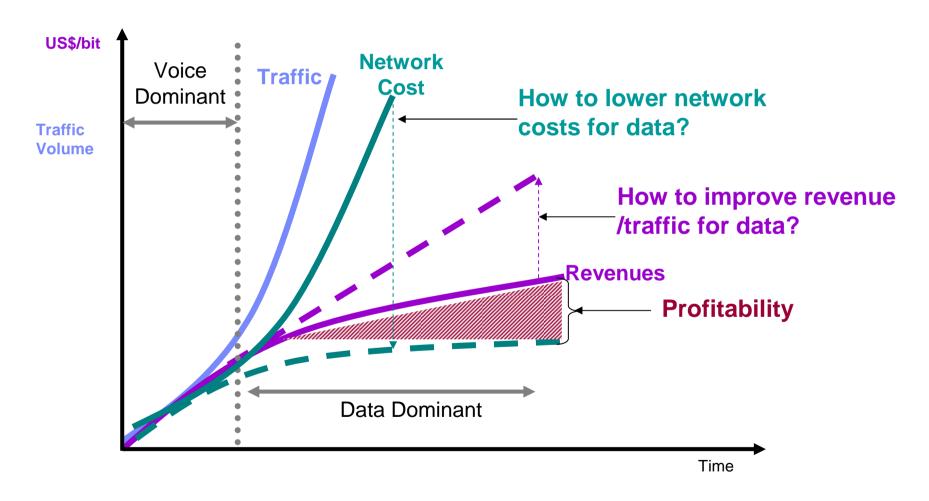


#### iPhone AppStore: A success with low revenues

- Average Price of Application remains very low US\$2.5
- Revenues from AppStore estimated to US\$25m-45m
- Apple however sold 13.7m iPhones in 2008; 13% of all handsets shipped (16% in 1H of 2009)
- Apple is using the AppStore to drive demand for hardware and foster audience monetization

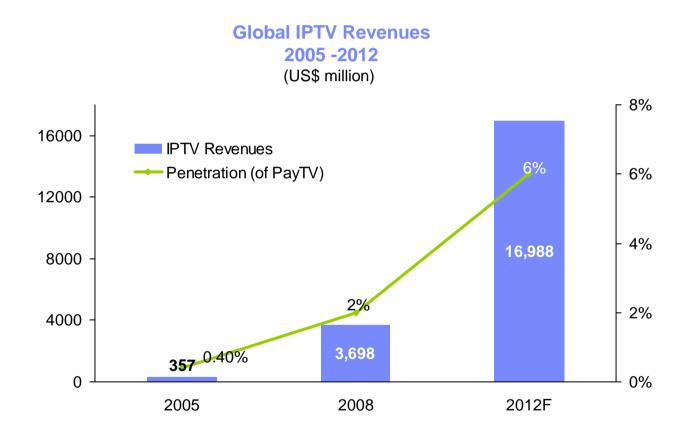


## The cost of delivering data however is not matched by revenues as revenue and traffic volumes are decoupled in a data-dominant world





## Telecom revenues from Telecom IPTV subscription and content services remain woefully low



Source: IBM Institute for Business Value (IBV) Analysis based on PwC Media and Entertainment Outlook 2009-2013. IPTV Revenues include subscriptions, VOD and multi-channel advertising based on penetration. Additionally assumes telcos secure of 5%,10% and 20% of multi-channel advertising inventory in 2005, 2008 and 2012 respectively



## In emerging markets, however, there is growing adoption of SMS-based applications, notably public information and advisory services

#### India



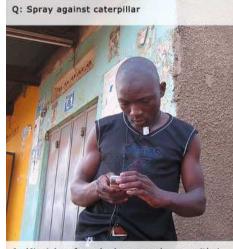
Indian operator Tata's service 'mKrishi' allows farmers to send queries and receive

#### China



China Mobile offers 'Nong Xin Tong' for farmers to provide news, weather information and details of farming-related government policies (50 million users)

#### Uganda



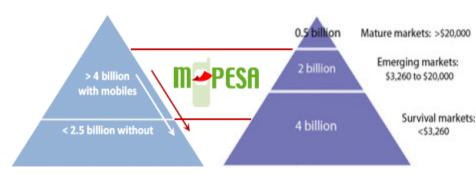
A: Mix 1 kg of crushed pawpaw leaves with 1 litre of water, then filter and dilute with soapy water at a ratio of 1:4 and apply as a spray

SMS Services from Grameen, Google & MTN providing agricultural advice and targeted weather forecasts, health tips, clinic finder, and Google Trader matching buyers and sellers of agricultural produce and commodities

personalizes services



### ... as well as money transfer and mobile payment services



New mobile economics World economic pyramid

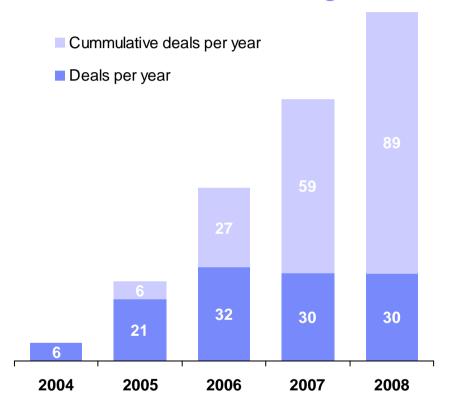






Network outsourcing has gathered momentum in recent years and become mainstream even among tier 1s as part of cost restructuring

**Network Outsourcing Deals** 



AT&T and France Telecom used to manufacture their own equipment but divested these to create Lucent and Alcatel. Now operators are giving up running their networks; what does this portend?



Early 2009, Vodafone UK signed a 7-year agreement with Ericsson to take over maintenance and operational support for Vodafone UK's 2nd and 3rd generation radio access networks. Expects to achieve costefficiencies of 25% over the 7 year period.

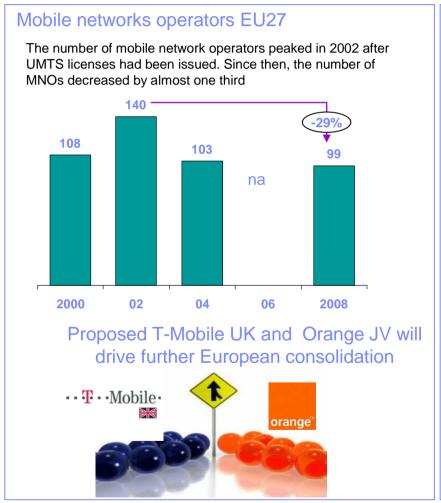


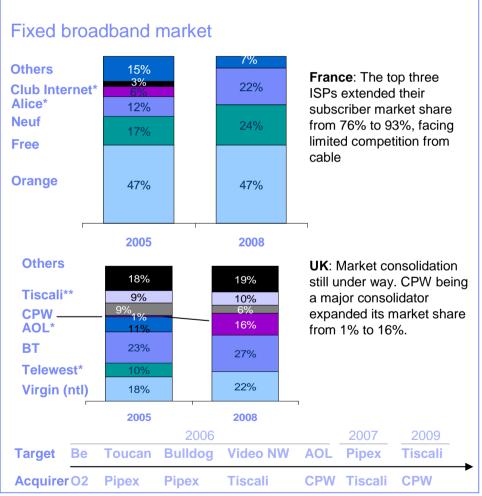


On March 18, 2009, France Telecomowned Orange announced a 5-years deal to outsource the management of its networks in Britain and Spain to Nokia.



### Consolidation of fixed and mobile markets continues in Europe...



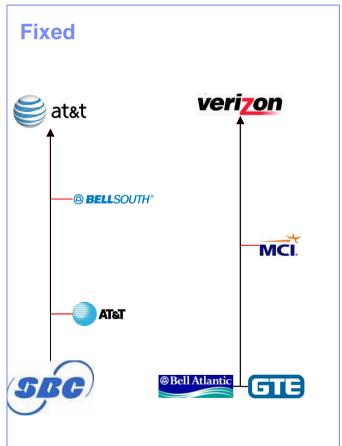


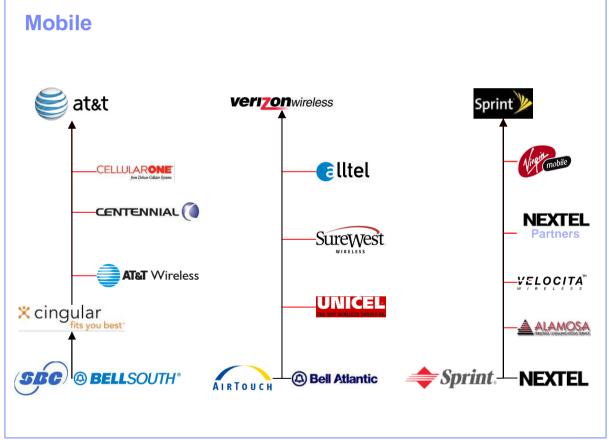
Source: IDATE, Eurostat European Commission, Ofcom \* Acquired between 2005 and 2008 \*\* acquired in 2009 or currently being sold



### ... and has gone a long way in the US already

Not exhaustive







## The telecom industry has undergone signficiant structural change over the last decade; how will it evolve over the next 5 years?

- Phenomenal expansion in communications and industry growth driven by mobile and emerging markets over the past decade has begun to stall
- While long-term PSTN decline appears inevitable, mobile penetration is peaking in most mature markets, ARPU is falling and in some advanced markets mobile revenues have even started declining
- Migration from dial-up to fixed broadband continues and while global penetration remains low, adoption rates in advanced markets are increasing steadily though not enough to compensate for PSTN losses
- Rollout of HSPA networks have driven adoption of mobile broadband helped in part by the penetration of Smartphones and HSDPA-enabled USB keys /dongles for Netbooks and are somewhat mitigating the impact of voice revenue losses
- The cost of delivering data, however, is not matched by revenues as revenues and traffic are decoupled in data-dominant world
- Much expected revenues from both mobile and fixed content services such as IPTV remain woefully low
- although SMS-based data applications such as money transfer and mobile payment services have taken off in emerging markets
- For the first time, some telecom operators are handing over their networks to external providers (i.e. NEPs) to run/operate on their behalf
- Industry consolidation continues





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### Forces shaping the future of telecommunications in 2015

#### **Definition:**

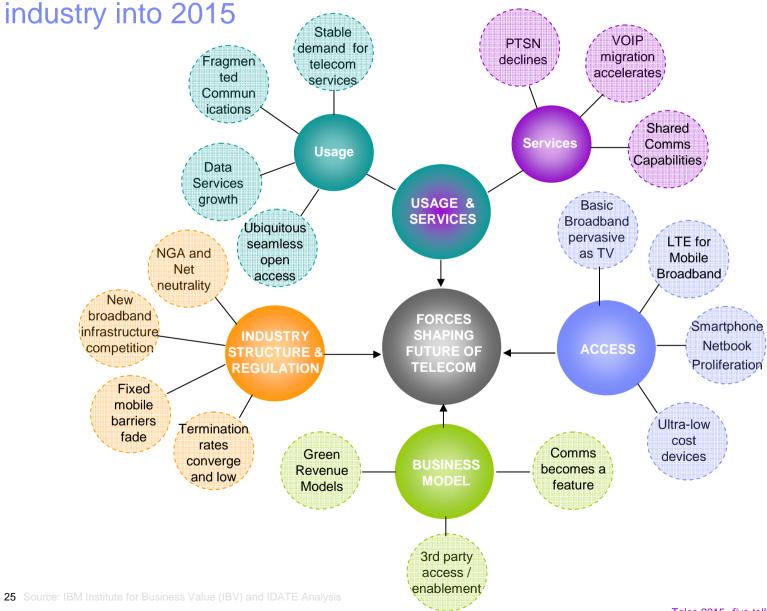
► Describe underlying incontrovertible trends in the evolution of the communications industry

▶ In the absence of a major exogenous shock the degree of uncertainty about these trends is virtually nil

► These trends provide a common background and context for all scenarios

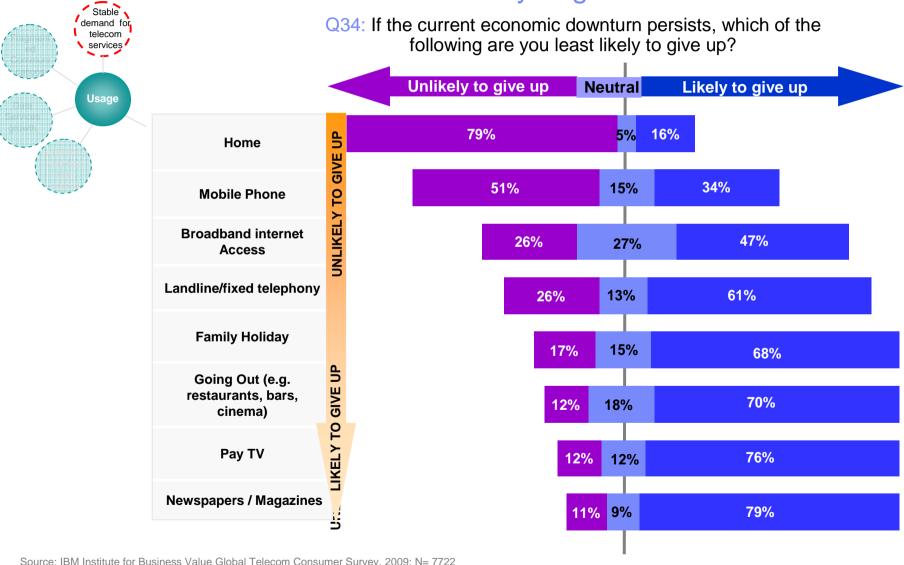


A number of forces are shaping the future of the telecommunications



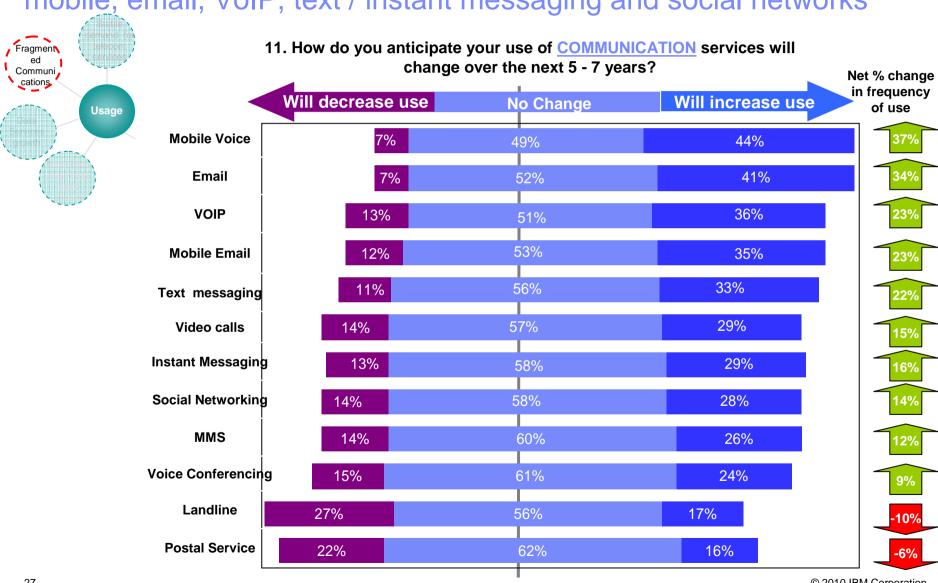


### Mobile and broadband are emerging as critical necessities and essentials consumers are most unlikely to give after their homes



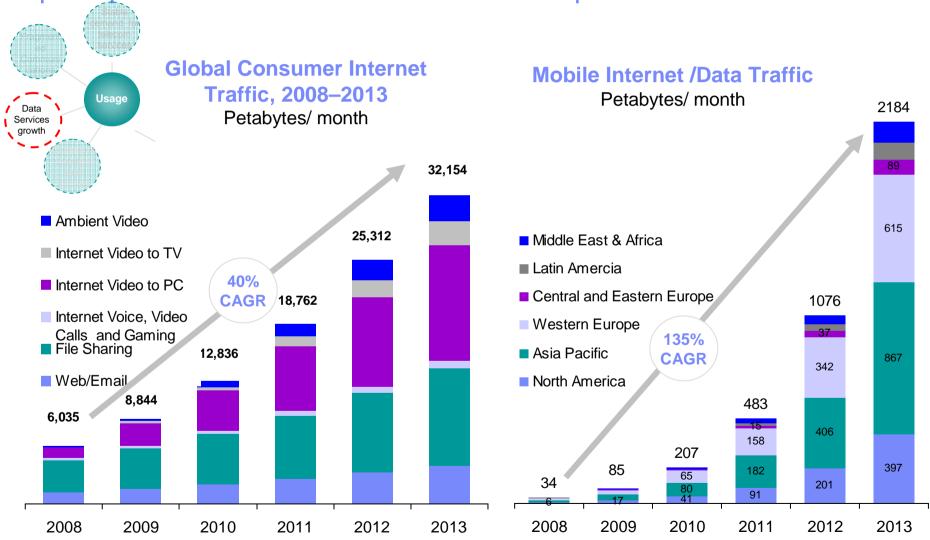


### Communications are becoming increasingly fragmented across mobile, email, VoIP, text / instant messaging and social networks





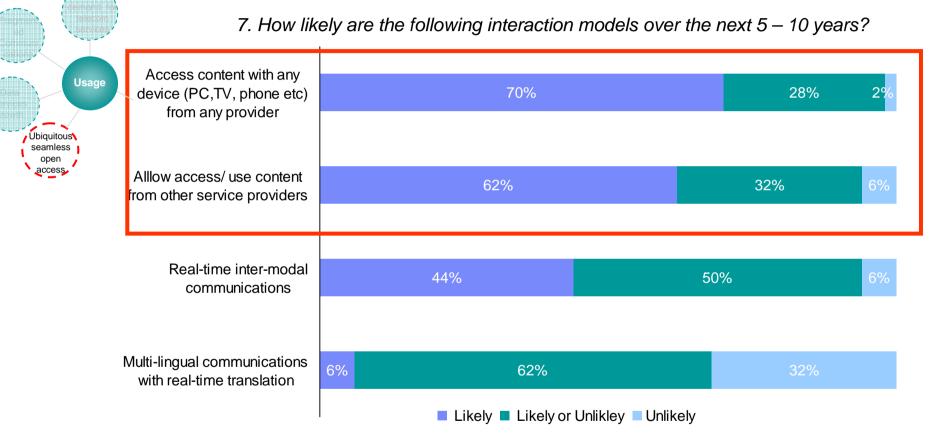
Use of video and other data services will grow as internet data traffic quintuples and mobile broadband consumptions soars



Source: Cisco Visual Networking Index, June 2009, <a href="http://www.cisco.com/en/US/solutions/collateral/ns341/ns525/ns537/ns705/ns827/white-paper-c11-481360.pdf">http://www.cisco.com/en/US/solutions/collateral/ns341/ns525/ns537/ns705/ns827/white-paper-c11-481360.pdf</a>, © 2010 IBM Corporation



## Communications and content will become more ubiquitous with open access enabling interaction with any device, service/provider



"For the first time we are moving from a voice world to a visual world of messaging, emailing, internet browsing and downloading, social networking and entertainment, all experienced on the move...Ubiquity is the key in the next decade. Anywhere, anytime, any device"

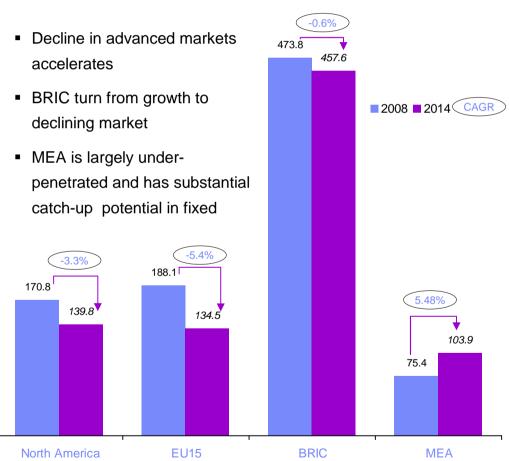
Chairman's Office, Global Telecom Provider, Europe



/ PTSN declines

PSTN circuit switched lines will continue to decline although in some emerging countries there may be some growth as they catch-up

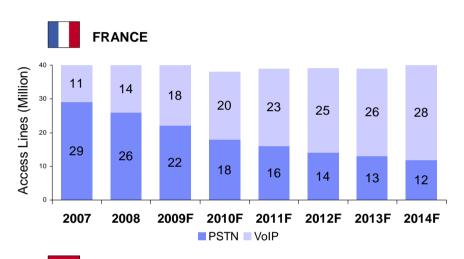


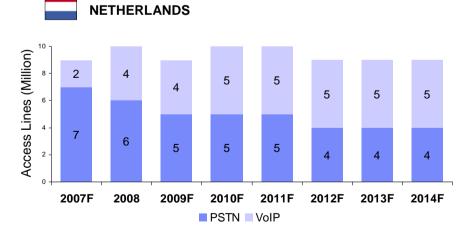


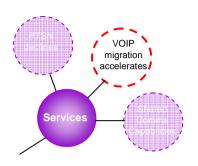


### Increasingly VOIP is replacing fixed voice access lines...

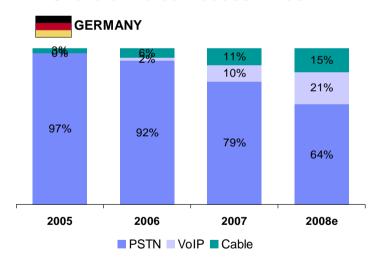
#### **Voice Access Lines**







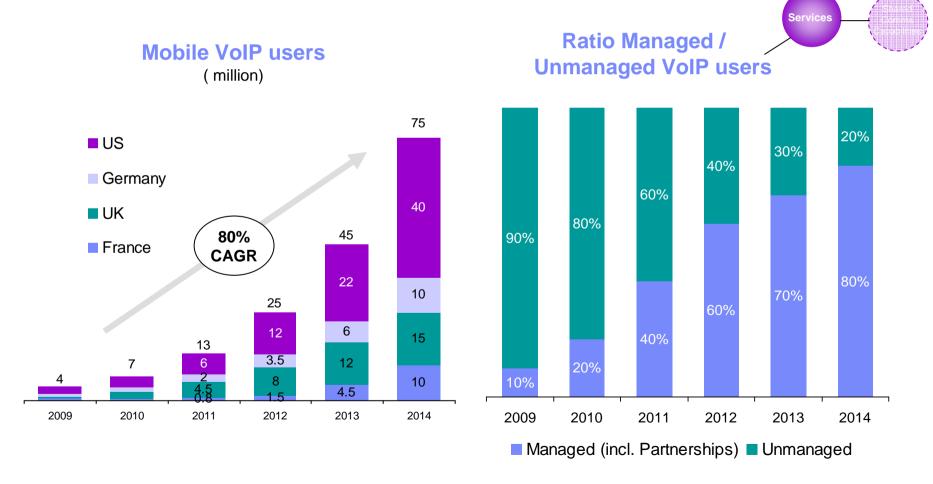
#### **Share of Voice Access Lines**





migration accelerates

...and the proportion of operator managed mobile VOIP will increase as penetration of mobile VOIP accelerates



Source: IDATE

@ 2040 IDM Comparation

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migration

### ...and operators begin to relax their attitudes

Mobile VolP: Strategies of leaders versus challengers

Market leaders exploring possible revenue models:

T-Mobile / Vodafone (DE) have lifted the ban on VoIP and imposed a surcharge

Market challengers using VoIP as a means of competitive differentiation:

3 partnering with Skype

T··Mobile Leader vodafone **Market position** vodafone (shares) operating in different orange<sup>®</sup> e-plus\* T · · Mobile Challenger Partner with Allow use Impose a **Prohibit** VoIP provider with data plan surcharge use of VoIP



migration accelerates

Services

Mass migration to mobile VOIP however is unlikely until HSPA and

LTE are deployed widely to address known limitations

Obstacles to mass market adoption of (unmanaged) mobile VoIP on 3G networks

**USABILITY ISSUES** 

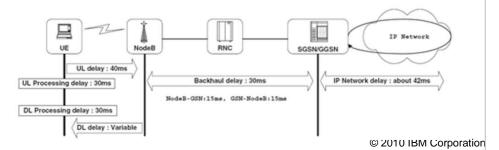
- 3G to 2.5G cell handover: while cell handover within 3G coverage zone works reasonably well (although longer handover times are clearly perceived and reported by users), handover from a 3G to 2.5G cell site does not currently work in practice with dropped sessions in nearly all cases
- Shortened battery duration: current mobile VOIP solutions rely on particularly intensive processing within terminal both on call and always-on wait modes, resulting in substantially shortened battery duration

**AVAILABILITY ISSUES** 

- Device compatibility: while all major mobile VoIP solutions are now available on major smartphone OS platforms (Symbian, iPhone, Blackberry and Android), all sorts of cross interference issues have been reported with other applications installed (particularly carriercustomised) by early adopters, limiting widespread adoption by non-geeks
- Cellular network coverage and reach: current mobile VOIP codecs at 28.8kps could theoretically work on EDGE network but user tests have shown unacceptable latency and jitter. So service availability remains confined to public Wifi and 3G network coverage areas.

**QoS ISSUES** 

- Increased delays across all mouth to ear delay components
- Increased latency due to permanent packet retransmissions required



Source: IDATE



/ Shared

Shared capabilities enabling interoperability across fragmented tools will become standard through Google Voice and initiatives like RCS

### **Rich Communications Suite RCS)**



- Interoperable services between mobile devices and PC terminals, across different access networks
- The Enriched Call experience initially provides the capability to share multimedia content during a call.
- Enhance phone book service capabilities and presenceenhanced contacts in a network address book
- Enhance messaging expands on traditional instant messaging to simplify and unify multiple messaging mediums and provide a richer user experience



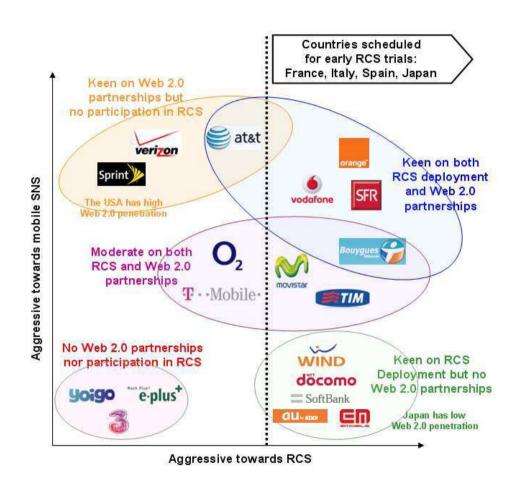


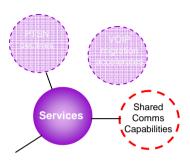
Google Voice also gives a user a Google Phone number that links all their phones together into one central communications network enabling

- One number: a single phone number that rings all your phones
- Free SMS: send, receive & store text messages online
- Block calls: send unwanted callers straight to voicemail
- Record calls: record phone calls and store them online
- Conference calls: join several people into a single call
- Screen callers: hear who is calling before you pick up
- Google voicemail: voicemail like email
- Voicemail transcription: read what your voicemail says
- Custom greetings: vary voicemail greetings by caller
- International calling: low cost calls to the world
- Notifications: read voicemail messages via email or SMS
- Share voicemails: forward, embed, or download voicemails

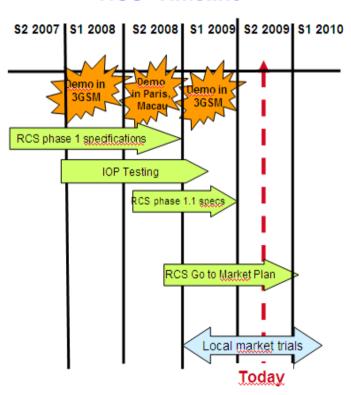


### A number of telecom operators have RCS trials already underway





#### **RCS** Timeline

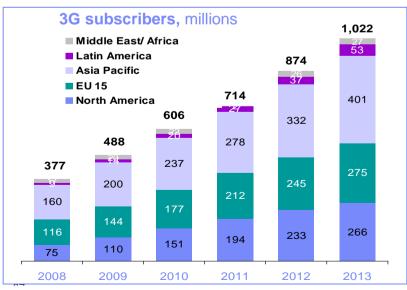


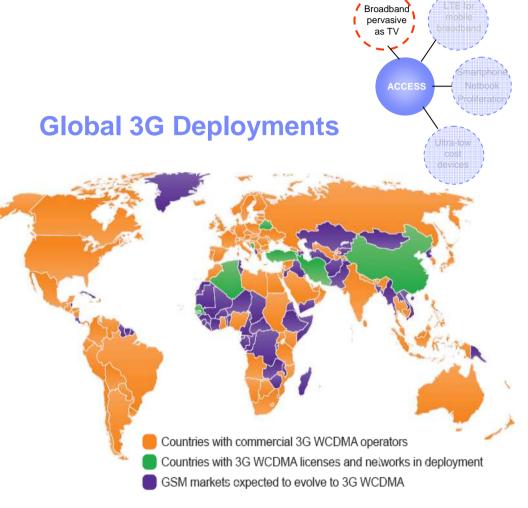
Source: IDATE



Majority of households in advanced markets and urban areas of most emerging markets will have access to 'basic' broadband





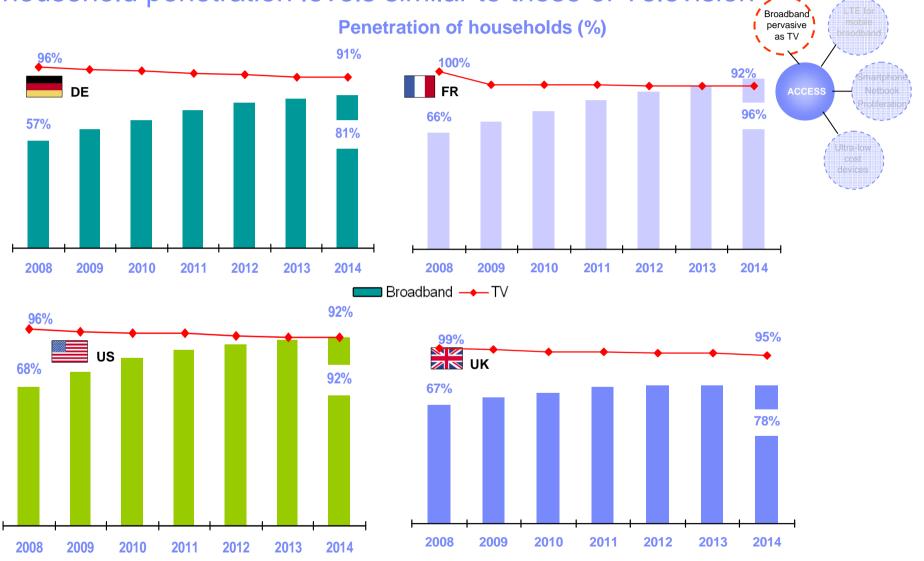


Satellite links from incumbent players and new players (e.g. Google-backed O3B) to eliminate most white spots

Source: IDATE

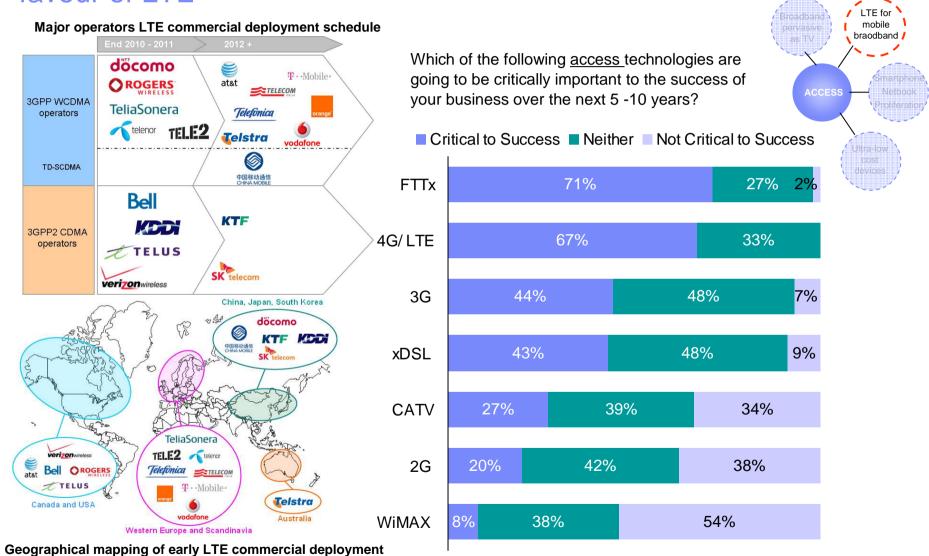


In many advanced markets, broadband will be generalised with household penetration levels similar to those of Television



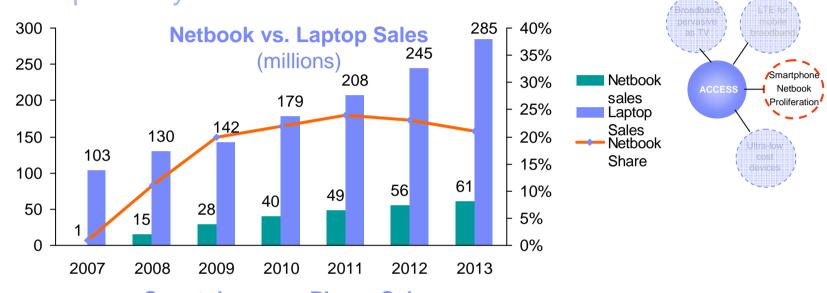


# The race for mobile broadband appears to have been decided in favour of LTE

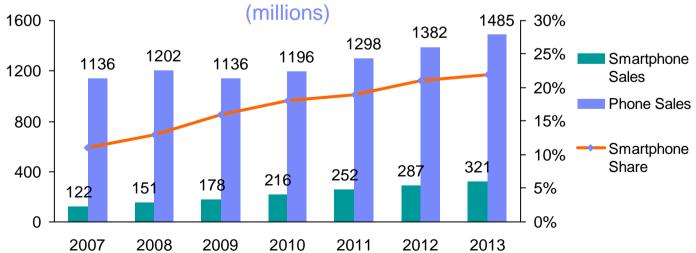




One in five phones and laptops sold will be a Smartphone and a Netbook respectively - i.e. devices with mobile internet access



#### **Smartphone vs. Phone Sales**



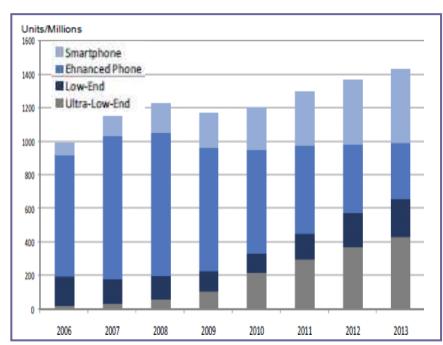


/ Ultra-low cost

devices

The market for ultralow-cost handsets is expected to grow quickly as more than 2/3 of new subscribers come from developing countries

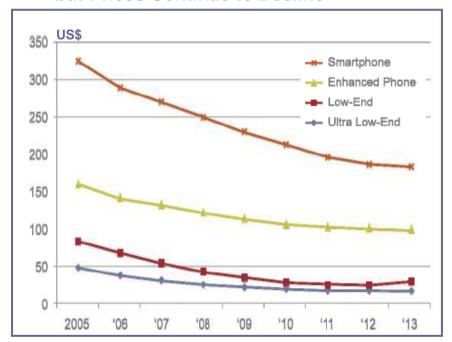
Rapid growth of subscriber base and and forecasted ULC handsets in emerging markets





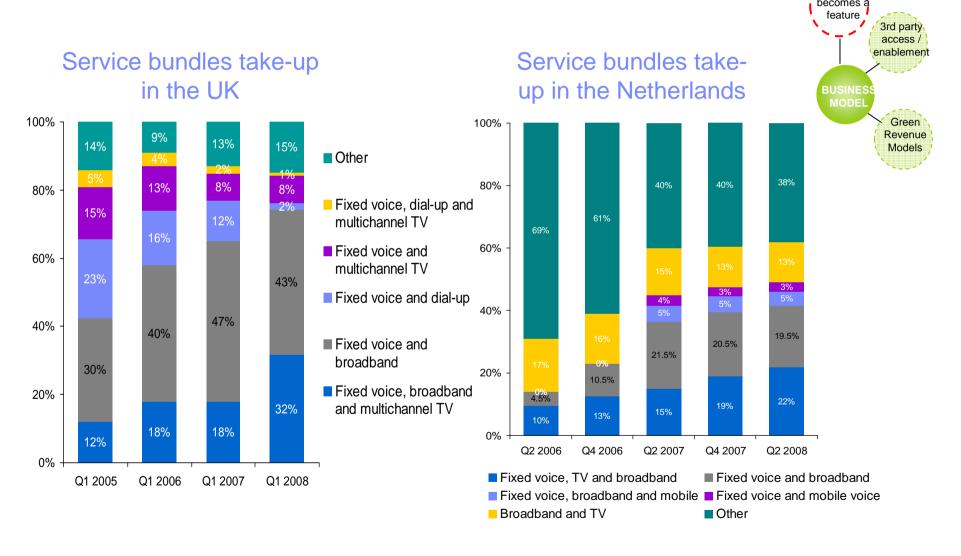
The mobile handset market is becoming increasingly polarised between low cost handsets for emerging markets and high-end smartphones for developed regions – with the mid-range handset market being squeezed.







Fixed voice communications will be monetised largely as features of broader connectivity packages rather as a standalone service.





3rd party access / enablement

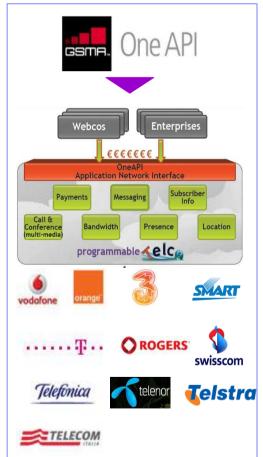
> Green Revenue Models

becomes a feature

MODEL

Operators will provide open wholesale interfaces to drive innovation on their networks

Major actors of the mobile industry are involved at different levels

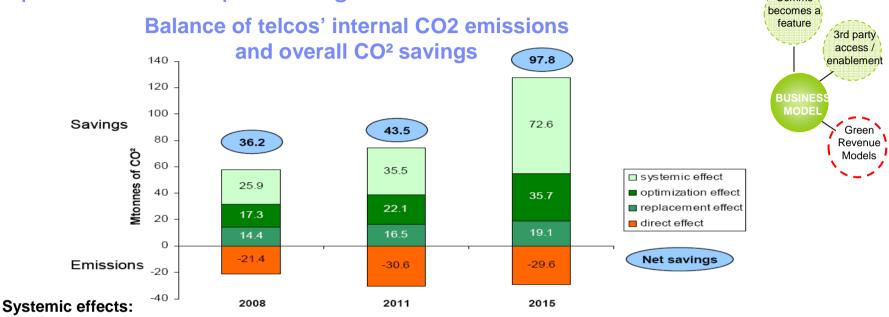








Telcos will enable other industries to reduce their environmental impact and in the process generate additional revenues



- Online shopping will save 6.2 million tonnes of CO2 in 2008, and will continue to grow and improve its efficiency
- Dematerialisation of products will continue to increase, as more and more delivery channels migrate Online
- Virtualized interactions will become the most significant CO2 savings contributor

#### **Optimisation**

- Telecommunications significantly reduce the carbon emissions of many industrial and logistical activities
- Paper and physical delivery are replaced by online information
- · Smart power management will become an important source of savings over the period

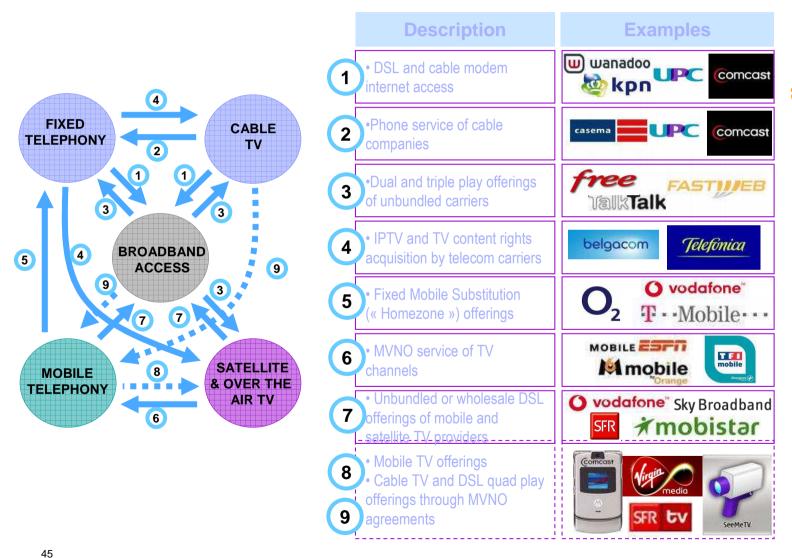
#### Replacement

- Conference calls, videoconferencing and telecommuting are directly responsible for 12.6 million tonnes of saved carbon in 2008
- Videoconferencing will continue to grow its impact as solutions become more widespread within businesses and usage increases
- Telecommuting has an exponential impact on the environment allowing reduction of vehicle emissions



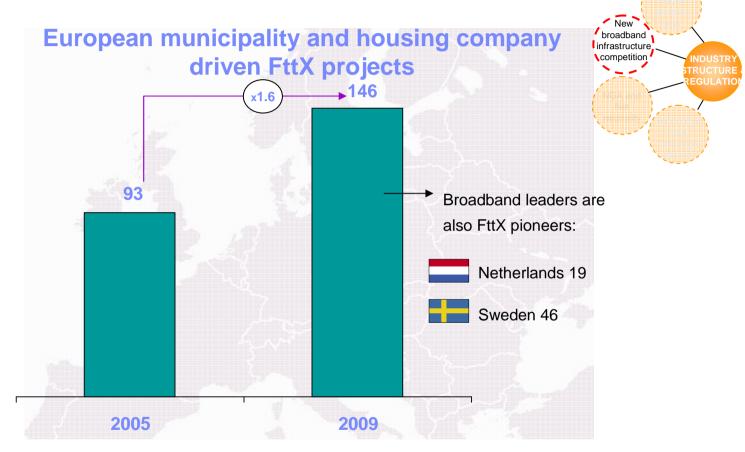
Fixed mobile barriers fade

The boundaries between fixed and mobile will blur as an increasing number of players offer a combination of products.





Increasingly new infrastructure competition will come from government, municipality and local initiatives



- Where incumbents and other telcos fail to build out fiber networks non-traditional players will step in
- Local FttX networks driven by local players, including communities, typically adopt an open access approach



Across Europe a significant portion of FTTH deployments are local or municipal projects **Hafslund tele Oslo (TBD)** New **TBD M households** broadband infrastructure MidtVest Bredband(2006-Lyse Tele (2006-2009) competition 2012) 175M households 90 M households **Sydfyns Intranet (2006-2009)** 30 M households GlasvezelNet Amsterdam (2006-2008) 40M households **KPN Glasnet Enschede (2006-**Uddevalla (2008) 2009) 25 M households 10M households StokAB Stockholm (2006-2012) 100 M households **M-net Munchen (2007-2011)** 200M households **Pau Broadband Country France** CityNetCologne (2007-2011) (2006-2011) 40M households 50 M households **Sipperec** (2007-2008) 22 M households Blizznet Vienna (2007-2009) 50M households **Citynet Zurich (TBD) TBD Million households** Important FTTH municipal projects in Europe

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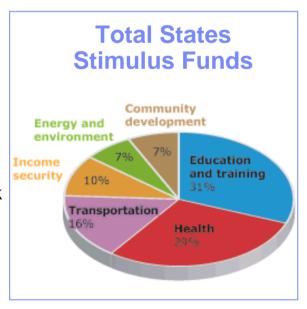
In the Unites States the Federal Government is providing stimulus funds to local communities and organisations to expand broadband



U.S. VP Biden lists \$182 million in awards for 18 projects. The projects are the first to receive part of the \$7.2 billion in funds dedicated to expanding broadband access -- which includes high speed Internet connections -- into rural areas, poor neighborhoods and Native American communities



- the North Georgia Network Cooperative, which will receive a \$33.5 million grant
- the Biddleford Internet Corp. which is to receive a \$24.5 million grant
- North central Ohio's Consolidated Electric Cooperative, which will receive a combined grant and loan of \$2.4 million
- Alaska Native Corporation, which will build out a 4G wireless network in southwestern Alaska
- a New Hampshire FTTH project
- an Arizona project to build computer centers for 84 libraries in that state.

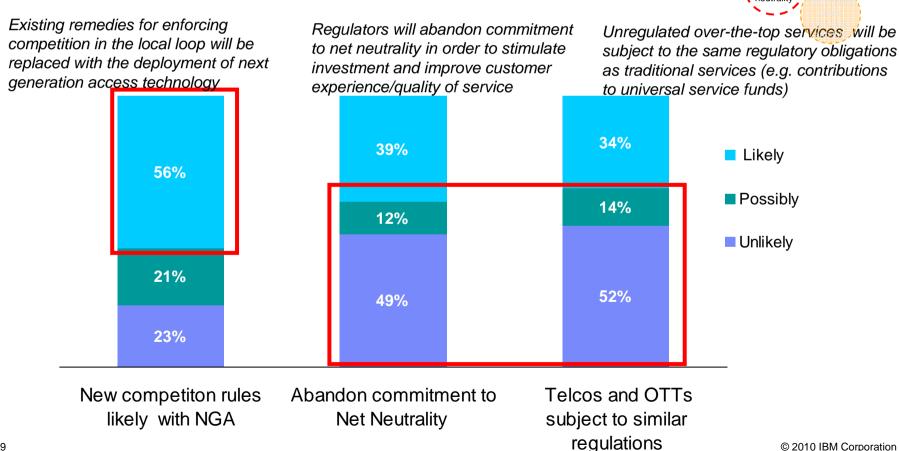


New broadband infrastructure

competition



There will be new local access competition rules as NGA is deployed but commitment to net neutrality will remain



NGA and



In developed markets mobile and fixed termination rates will converge to symmetric, low levels



#### EU

#### From appeals...

- The EU put pressure on the mobile industry to significantly cut termination rates
- The Commissioner's long term vision is to bring down mobile termination rates to levels comparable to fixed termination, i.e. ~ EUR 0.01 - 0.015 per minute

Call termination markets in the E.U. need a regulatory plumber. Over the next 3 years, I expect [...] to bring the costs for mobile phone calls down by around 70 %

—V. Reding, EU Commissioner



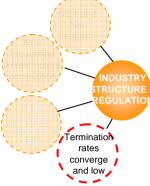
#### ... to regulation

- Unsatisfied with the absolute levels and discrepancies of MTR between EU member states, the Commission presented a recommendation for voice call termination
- The Commission aims at harmonising the approaches used to fix MTR
- The Commission aims at enabling lower retail charges and putting an end to de facto subsidies from fixed to mobile operators



#### US

- MTR are generally lower than in the EU
- Operators free to negotiate rates as long as rate is symmetric
- Fixed incumbent operators typically required to set costbased termination rates ( typically less than one US cent/minute)
- Frequently no MTR charged between mobile operators and new entrant fixed operators
- RPP scheme applied for mobile users



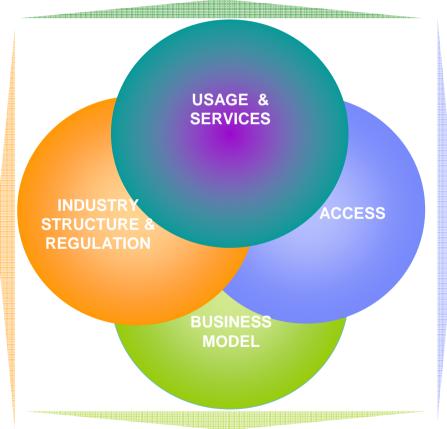
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#### The world in 2015

PSTN decline accelerates and VOIP grows. Ubiquitous and seamless access models prevail with high levels of rich digital content consumption accessible from any device, platform or network. Communications remain fragmented across several tools but shared capabilities enable interoperability

New infrastructure competition come from government, municipality and local initiatives, will new rules as NGA is deployed. Mobile and fixed termination rates disappear and boundaries among fixed, mobile and internet fade



Mobile and fixed broadband become as pervasive as TV in advanced markets. The battle of mobile broadband now favors LTE. 3G penetration increases in emerging markets. A bifurcated market of devices emerges with high penetration of ultra low-cost devices in emerging markets.

One in three devices in advanced markets is a highend internet-enabled smartphone, MID or, Laptop/Netbook.

Voice is monetized as a feature of connectivity. Operators provide open wholesale access and interfaces to a wide range of capabilties including connectvity, customer information and billing services, to drive traffic on networks.

Communication providers benefit from environmental mitigation programs.



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# Alongside determining trends a number of uncertain variables with multiple contrasted outcomes will shape future industry scenarios

# Range of uncertainties

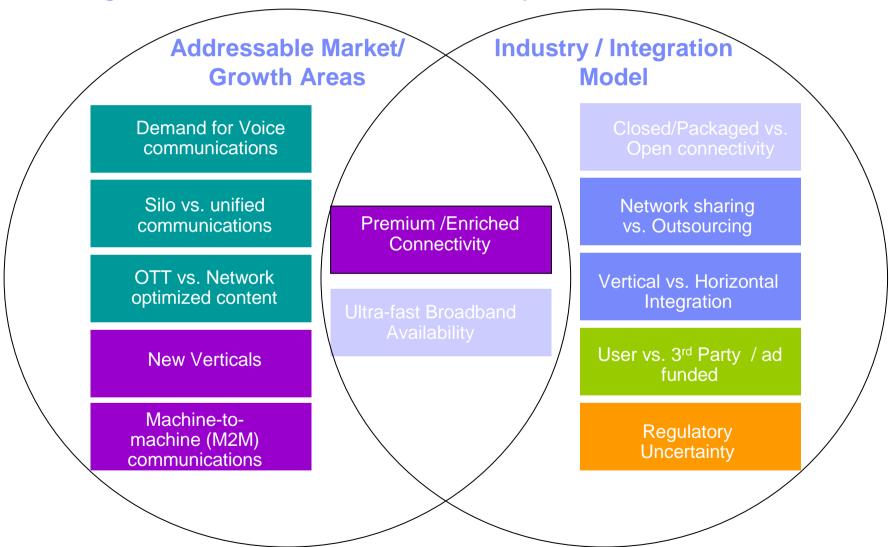


### **Selected Critical Variables**

Demand for voice communications	Ultra-fast Broadband Availability	
Silo vs. unified communications	Closed/Packaged vs. Open connectivity	
OTT vs. Network optimized content	Network sharing vs. Outsourcing  Vertical vs. Horizontal Integration	
New Verticals		
Machine-to- machine (M2M) communications	User funded vs. 3rd party funded	

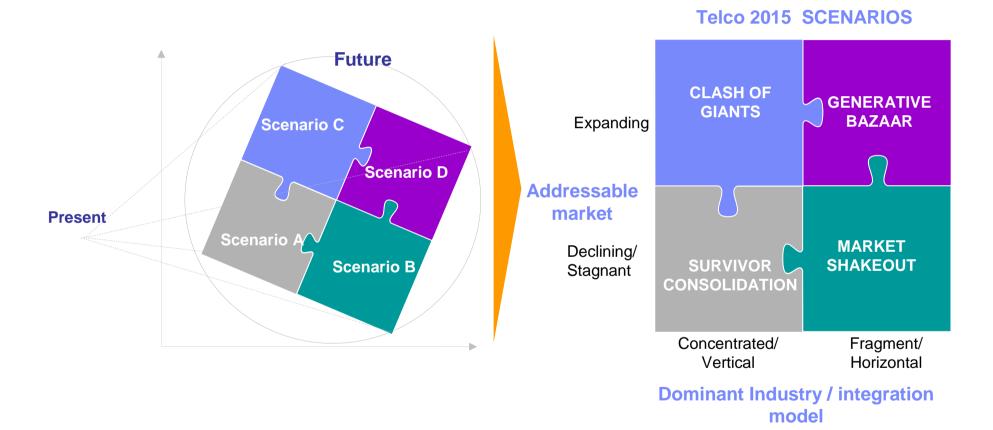


Dominant themes across selected critical variables - addressable market growth and the dominant industry model ...





# ...provide the dimensions that define four corner scenarios within the sphere of possible futures for telecom in 2015





The major dimensions for our scenario construction are addressable market and dominant industry structure/ integration model



# ...each with contrasted industry dynamics ...

# Addressable Market

Expanding

# Declining/ Stagnant

#### **CLASH OF GIANTS**

- Carrier cooperation and alliances (e.g. RCS) pave way for global consolidation in response to the rising stakes from global application/content providers (Google, Microsoft, Sony etc.) or OEMs (Nokia, Apple, Ericsson)
- Mega carriers expand their markets through selected verticals (smart grid, e-health...) for which they provide packaged end-to-end connectivity
- Carriers succeed in stemming communications services revenue erosion through shared capabilities
- Few, mega carriers compete with OTT some of whom integrate backwards into the network
- Telcos develop a portfolio of premium network services (e.g. 3D TV) to deliver new digital experiences

#### **SURVIVOR**

#### **CONSOLIDATION**

- Reduced consumer spending leads to revenue stagnation or decline
- Advanced market operators have not significantly changed their voice communications/closed connectivity service portfolio and have failed to expand horizontally or into new verticals
- Investor loss of confidence for telecoms sector produces cash crisis that triggers survival consolidation

#### **GENERATIVE BAZAAR**

- Barriers between OTT and network providers blur as regulation, technology and competition drive open access
- Infrastructure providers (The Net Co-op) integrate horizontally and cater to multiple service providers, based on co-operative /shared risk funding model
- A myriad of asset-light service providers emerge, packaging connectivity with new services revenue models
- Pervasive affordable open connectivity are enabled for any person or object and unleash a wave of generative innovation

#### **MARKET SHAKEOUT**

- Under prolonged economic downturn, investors force carriers to disaggregate assets into separate businesses with different return profiles and retail brands emerge to aggregate and package services from disaggregated units
- The market is further fragmented by government/ municipality and alternative provider (e.g. local housing associations or utility) initiatives to extend ultra-fast broadband to gray areas, as traditional infrastructure investment concentrates in densely populated areas
- Operators look for growth through horizontal expansion and premium connectivity services sold to application and content providers as well as businesses and consumers



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# Scenario Realization, Financials and Imperatives

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# Packaged communications and connectivity services dominate with minimal service innovation based on traditional revenue models

#### **SCENARIO CHARACTERISTICS**

#### Survivor Consolidation

# Usage

- Communications are "silo'd" and fragmented across multiple but limited suppliers
   Connectivity usage similar to today personal, active, download
- Consumers opt for OTT and user generated content
- In emerging economies communications remains voice-centric on mobile; internet and data usage remain anecdotal and limited to large cities but some deployment of basic mobile data services e.g. mobile money

### Services

- Services are as today as telco fail to enter new industry verticals and /or expand horizontally to offer open network services to application/third-party providers
- Packaged connectivity and communications services prevail

# Business Model

- User funded revenues continue to dominate and carrier revenue structure remain largely based on maintaining high ARPU across limited # of accesses
- Retail driven with a multiplicity of tariff packages, including metered and bundles for different segments with an emphasis on cost control
- Content is not a very dynamic market for telcos. Service providers absorb network costs from increased OTT content consumption or pass connectivity costs to users



# Economies of scale drive integrated (fixed and mobile) model dominance and network investments are curtailed

#### **SCENARIO CHARACTERISTICS**

#### Survivor Consolidation

# Industry Structure

- Consolidation of declining private players in advanced markets and competition revolves usually around a limited number of large integrated players as fixed and mobile pure-plays disappear/fade
- In emerging markets a duopoly of mobile operators is the norm
- Emerging mobile centric giant operators from BRICs successfully gain foothold across emerging regions (Africa...) by replicating their low cost model

#### Access

- Ultra broadband availability is limited to 10-15% of households primarily in economically profitable areas
- For smaller operators, active network outsourcing to NEPs and passive sharing amongst one another are sustained beyond downturn with FTTx and LTE
- Handset subsidies remain and telecom networks are closed to unapproved devices, third-party providers or applications/services

# Regulation

- As is, with ongoing regulatory uncertainty
- NGA investment is stifled by very restrictive regulation or regulatory uncertainty
- Operators reduce rollout speed and geographic coverage of NGA



# Stagnating penetration and lack of growth/capital investment lead to investor loss of confidence and triggers survivor consolidation

#### TRIGGER EVENTS / REALIZATION PATH FOR SCENARIO





# Critical success attributes for Survivor Consolidation

How well operators are positioned Weak

Moderate

Competitive



Strong

Critical Success Attributes SURVIVOR	Current Capability Assessment		sessment	DECOMMENDATIONS
CONSOLIDATION	Integrated Operators	Mobile Operators	Fixed Operators	RECOMMENDATIONS
Exploit fixed-mobile substitution to increase revenues /growth		•		<ul> <li>Stimulate mobile voice usage through competitive commercial packages with fixed alternatives</li> <li>Fixed operators acquire/partner for mobile capability</li> <li>Invest in fixed mobile convergence with cost synergies</li> </ul>
Contain voice ARPU erosion				<ul> <li>Move to flat rate/ all-you-can-eat packages and bundle with other services (e.g. content / Broadband)</li> <li>Integrate voice with popular OTT communications services e.g. IM, social networking</li> </ul>
Reduce cost to serve and preserve/ increase operation margins				<ul> <li>Optimize cost structures through process simplification, automation and transition to self-service</li> <li>Accelerate migration to converged/single core network</li> <li>Leverage global delivery for non-core functions</li> </ul>
Secure significant fixed / mobile broadband market share				<ul> <li>Use handset/Netbook subsidies and long-term contracts to acquire / lock-in mobile internet customers</li> <li>Bundle fixed broadband with content and voice offers at attractive prices</li> </ul>
Scale (across access types and regions)				<ul> <li>Actively pursue in-country and regional consolidation opportunities to build scale</li> <li>Enhance M&amp;A integration capability to enable rapid integration of IT, business processes and systems</li> </ul>



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# Consumers have greater choice from a variety of providers /brands some of who leverage premium connectivity for new services ...

#### **SCENARIO CHARACTERISTICS**

#### Market Shakeout

### Usage

- Communications are "silo'd" and fragmented from a wide range of suppliers and aggregators across the value chain leveraging premium connectivity
- Users have greater choice of device/handset, services and service providers with more ala carte packages and online/OTT video/TV consumption increases
- In emerging markets mobile money paves the way for other simple data applications catering to specific needs of emerging markets

### Services

- Multiplicity of tariff packages including metered and bundles that appeal to different segments supplied under a variety of market brands
- Greater focus on wholesale backbone business as well as ICT services as...
- ...telcos expand horizontally to offer premium connectivity to enable content /application providers to offer own OTT content services with QoS and SLAs
- Emerging market operators focus on growing mobile data usage

# Business Model

- User funded but wholesale driven in parts as device OEMs and application content providers leverage premium connectivity to deliver customized and vertical solutions
- Ultra-fast broadband (FTTH and LTE) offers are priced at levels comparable to broadband connectivity, encouraging rapid migration
- Open access models financed by government/ municipalities in gray/sparsely populated areas

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# ...in a more fragmented market as governments/municipality and alternative providers extend ultra-fast broadband to gray areas

#### **SCENARIO CHARACTERISTICS**

#### Market Shakeout

# Industry Structure

- Some tier-2 operators divest network / assets and focus on customers and brand
- Multiple service provider brands emerge to package and bundle low-cost no frills services targeted at specific consumer segments
- Major device manufacturers enter communications service provision as MVNOs in major markets
- A handful of NEPs manage networks for 50% of global telecom providers

### Access

- Government, municipality and alternative provider (e.g. local housing associations, Utilities) broadband initiatives increase household coverage to 20-25%
- Passive infrastructure sharing becomes the norm for most operators for FTTx deployment and for 2G/3G mobile infra optimization
- Low end SIM-only, open devices and high-end devices based on exclusivity periods and strategic partnerships with OEMs, co-exist

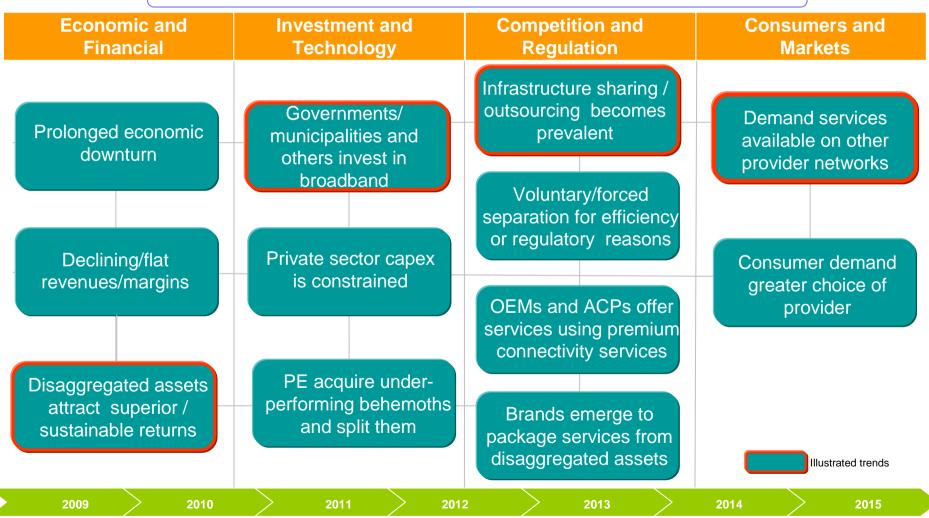
# Regulation

- Strong access obligations on infrastructure and strong net neutrality stance undermine investment incentives.
- Local not-for profit network initiatives provide open access



# Break-up of the vertically integrated model and alternative provider, government / municipality initiatives trigger market shake-out

#### TRIGGER EVENTS / REALIZATION PATH FOR SCENARIO



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# Critical success attributes for Market Shakeout

How well operators are positioned

Weak

Moderate



Competitive



Strong

Critical Success Attributes	Potential (	Capability As	ssessment		
MARKET SHAKEOUT	Integrated Operators	Mobile Operators	Fixed Operators	RECOMMENDATIONS	
Powerful brand(s) plus strategic asset (e.g. excl. device partnership, network)				<ul> <li>Leverage capabilities (e.g. devices partnerships, network quality, service innovation, no frills) to establish a distinctive reputation in market place</li> <li>Target specific brands at key customer segments</li> </ul>	
Ultra-fast broadband coverage and optimized network delivery				<ul> <li>Establish partnerships with municipalities and owners of multi-dwelling units to extend and share BB costs</li> <li>Develop deep insights into network and data usage to optimize core and access networks to reduce costs</li> </ul>	
Collaboration with device OEM and application /content providers				<ul> <li>Define and implement common / interoperable standards and processes for collaboration</li> <li>Develop a shared platform capability to enable collaboration</li> </ul>	
Open API propositions with low-priced tariffs for 3 <sup>rd</sup> party services			•	<ul> <li>Provide standard connectivity interfaces to enable 3<sup>rd</sup> parties to leverage premium connectivity capabilities</li> <li>Develop low-cost tariff packages to enable affordable machine-to-machine connectivity across many devices</li> </ul>	
Agile, flexible and reconfigurable processes and infrastructure				<ul> <li>Develop common platforms integrating technology, processes for rapid business/operating model innovation</li> <li>Leverage global delivery skills</li> </ul>	



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# Users opt for packaged integrated communication services as endto-end OTT and network optimized digital lifestyle services co-exist

#### **SCENARIO CHARACTERISTICS**

#### **Clash of Giants**

### Usage

- Users opt for leading suppliers of shared capability (presence, contact list...) aggregators across voice and online communications
- Premium network optimized services coexist with OTT content
- Significant portion of consumers purchase packaged digital content / lifestyle services from healthcare, payments, security to energy management, from carriers
- Voice services dominate in emerging market as it is extended to base of pyramid

#### Services

- Carriers generate sizeable traction for packaged end-to-end solutions (connectivity+IT) for strategic verticals (e-health, smart grid...)
- Some premium network optimized entertainment services (multi sensorial, 3D, immersive reality...) are met with commercial success from differentiated and unique user experiences
- Integrated /unified communications ala Google Voice and Rich Communication Suite

# Revenue Model

- Communications are free for users who pay for shared capabilities
- Retail dominated. Focused on customer ownership providing end-to-end targeted services and experience based on network / customer insights
- Connectivity revenues from packaged end-to-end digital content / lifestyle services
- Emerging market operators focus on maximizing their asset utilisation by growing voice revenues through the bottom of pyramid



# The vertical integration model prevails and some OTT players integrate backwards in a light-touch regulatory environment

#### **SCENARIO CHARACTERISTICS**

#### **Clash of Giants**

# Industry Structure

- Market expansion gives rise to global carrier consolidation in response to rising stakes as OTT players integrated backwards
- Following the example of emerging region carriers, European and North American operators consolidate at regional level (e.g. 2 or 3 pan European operators)
- Some emerging market operators enter mature markets
- Active global industry alliances and standards for shared communications capabilities

### Access

- Operator infrastructure sharing Next Generation Access (NGA)
- ...enabling coverage of 40%-50% of households. No more than 3-4 players in market
- Operators enter strategic partnerships with selected OEMs for devices that conform to their platform architectures and standards
- Custom closed devices to support shared communications capabilities and RCS

# Regulation

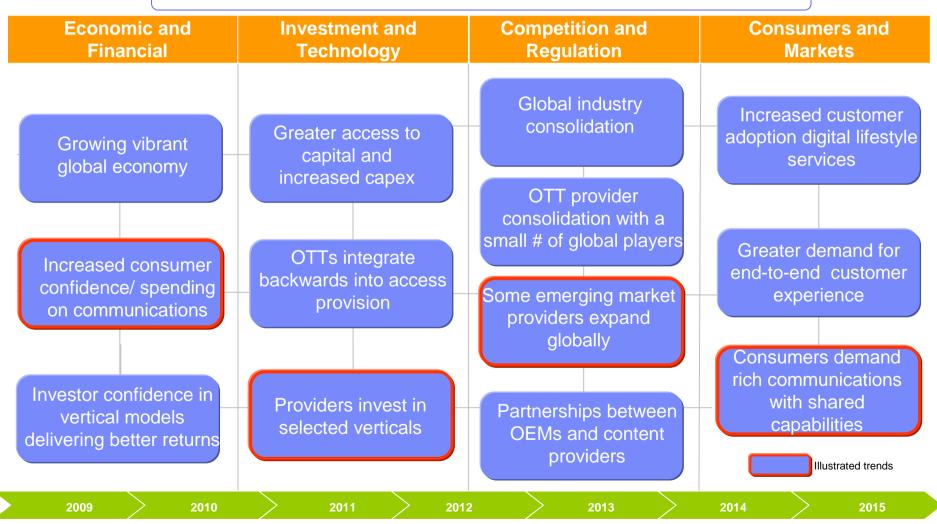
- Light-touch regulation on infrastructure to encourage infrastructure competition. No endorsement of strong net neutrality positions
- Fewer, big carriers compete with OTT.
- Telcos develop a portfolio of premium services (3D TV) but have to carry competing OTT services

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# Carrier cooperation and alliances (e.g. RCS) pave way for global consolidation in response to rising stakes from OTT providers ...

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Critical Success Attributes CLASH OF GIANTS	Potential C	Capability As	ssessment		
CLASH OF GIANTS	Integrated Operators	Mobile Operators	Fixed Operators	RECOMMENDATIONS	
Scale (across access types and regions)				<ul> <li>Actively pursue in-country and regional consolidation opportunities to build scale</li> <li>Enhance M&amp;A integration capability to enable rapid integration of IT, business processes and systems</li> </ul>	
Deliver end-to-end network- enabled digital experiences OTT cannot replicate easily				<ul> <li>Leverage real-time network and customer analytics to deliver personalized experiences</li> <li>Enable seamless interactions across access types and devices and new content experiences (e.g. 3D)</li> </ul>	
Vertical Industry solutions and expertise				<ul> <li>Build partnerships with domain expertise for selected verticals to develop and deliver solutions</li> <li>Focus on delivering customer experience measureable by SLAs commensurate with industry expectations</li> </ul>	
Seamless interoperability between telecom and online communications				<ul> <li>Actively participate an drive inter and intra industry alliances to deploy shared communications capabilities</li> <li>Collaborate with other providers to build common infrastructure for shared communications capabilities</li> </ul>	
Global Integrated Enterprise				<ul> <li>Build global "centers of excellence" to optimize capability and delivery</li> <li>Develop common platforms integrating technology, processes for rapid business/operating model innovation</li> </ul>	



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# Pervasive affordable open connectivity are enabled for any person or object, unleashing a wave of generative innovation...

#### **SCENARIO CHARACTERISTICS**

#### Generative Bazaar

# Usage

- Advanced users mix and match silo'd communication tools; most adopt open source shared capabilities (presence, contact list...) across voice and online communication
- Voice services continue to be paid-for on mobile but fixed communications become an embedded feature of connectivity
- Open "do it yourself" connectivity integrated/ packaged by individuals/organizations
- On demand consumption of OTT digital content/ services with delinearisation

# Services

- Carriers cater to enhanced connectivity for OTT providers that deliver industryspecific solutions e.g. wellness services, energy management
- Premium connectivity (e.g. guaranteed low latency, security, CDN...) for OTT
- Local applications that meet emerging markets specificities boom
- New voice usages (e.g. human to machine for mobile internet)) lead to voice-rebirth

# Revenue Model

- Wholesale driven with premium connectivity a key feature for revenue generation Carriers are able to generate premium prices for ultra broadband (FTTX, LTE)
- OTTs co-operate with network providers and pay carriage fees or share revenues in return for network optimized delivery that enhance end-user experience
- Carriers are successful in ramping M2M models to generate low ARPU on an infinite number of connected objects
- Net Co-ops leverage analytics for service providers and for cross-access and platform advertising.



# ... in a netco / servco separation model with open devices, platforms based on open network access

#### **SCENARIO CHARACTERISTICS**

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# Industry Structure

- A co-operative of horizontally integrated infrastructure providers catering to a myriad of asset-light service providers such as VNOs, OTTs, Banks, Utilities, Governments etc.
- Horizontal model (Netco/Servco separation) and passive infrastructure sharing but no network outsourcing

#### **Access**

- Widespread fixed and/or mobile ultra-broadband availability with access to 60% 80% of households
- Open devices (unlocked phones, netbooks...) dominate market as carriers retreat on handset subsidisation
- Open and standardized devices platforms supported by Net Co-ops and device manufacturers

# Regulation

- Evolution to internet-style model with light-touch regulatory approach towards telcos.
- Abolition of the majority of sector-specific regulations, forcing telcos upwards the investment ladder
- Structural separation of access networks. Wholesale access to essential services (HDTV, search algorithms)
- Open Access becomes the norm.

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# Barriers between OTT and network providers blur as regulation technology and competition drive open access models enabled by...

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Funding model for Net Co- op / open access network infrastructure				<ul> <li>Partner with other infrastructure providers including municipalities extend ultra-fast broadband coverage</li> <li>Agree to shared/co-operative funding model for open network access</li> </ul>	
3rd-Party connectivity / capabilities access and developer communities				<ul> <li>Enable 3<sup>rd</sup> party access to premium connectivity based on open APIs</li> <li>Enable access to common capabilities (Billing, SDP)</li> <li>Stimulate and support vibrant developer communities</li> </ul>	
Dynamic Business Design				<ul> <li>Infrastructure / processes to facilitate connectivity of a multitude of objects, sensors, devices and applications</li> <li>Build modular business architectures based on standards and flexible, common technology platforms</li> </ul>	
Leverage insights from connectivity, data,ecosystem to enable 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party innovation				<ul> <li>Enable applications/service providers access to insights from network, data and users for innovation</li> <li>Develop deep insights into network and data usage to optimize core and access and reduce costs</li> </ul>	
Structurally separated network and services operations			•	<ul> <li>Create new operating model and organization to support structural separation</li> <li>Deploy systems, processes to support differentiated and dynamic wholesale pricing for various SLAs</li> </ul>	



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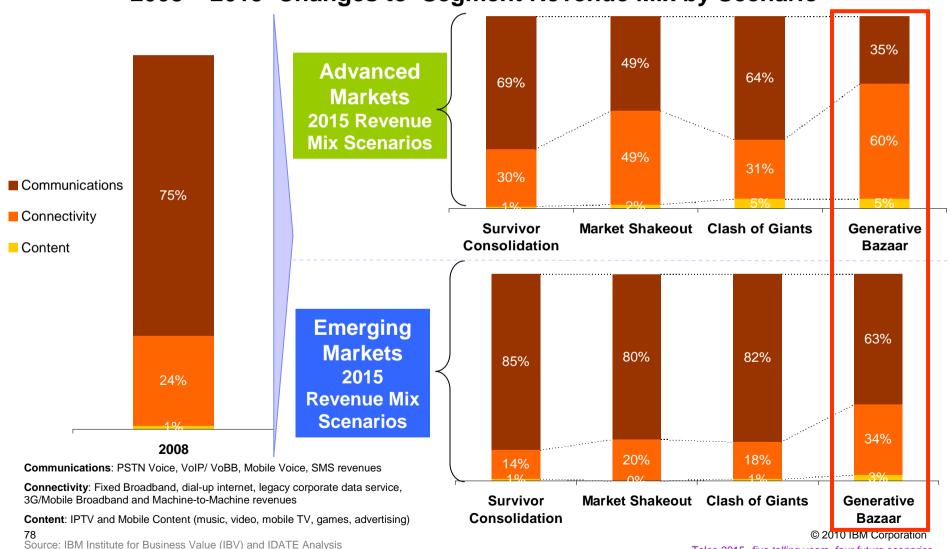
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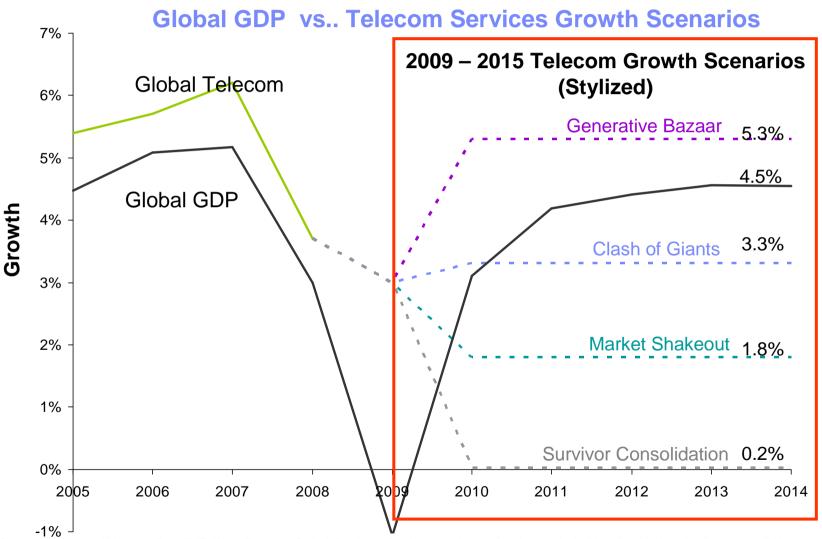
# Communications-connectivity substitution will increase over the next 5 years regardless but dominates revenue mix in Generative Bazaar







# ... that represents the most optimistic outlook for telecoms, relative to the IMF's global GDP forecast fro 2010 - 2014



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