### 5G - The Future of Communications An <u>@net mcr</u> evening talk

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#### Usage scenarios of IMT for 2020 and beyond



#### NGMN 5G use case families & related examples



Ofcom and RSPG (Radio Spectrum Policy Group) has identified three pioneer bands for 5G in Europe

#### RSPG's pioneer bands:

- 700 MHz band to provide a coverage layer
  - 2 x 30 MHz + 20 MHz centre gap SDL 2019/2020
- 3.4 3.8 GHz band to provide a large amount of contiguous spectrum for high-data rate and low-latency services and a capacity solution in congested areas
  - 150 MHz in the 3.4 3.6 GHz band in 2017
- 26 GHz band to provide "fibre-like" data rates and very low latencies at short distance, as a capacity solution in very congested hotspots
  - 24.25 27.5 GHz date tbd, likely auction post WRC2019

[Note: Existing bands could be refarmed and more bands are likely in the future...]

#### 3GPP 5G network architecture



Note: Focus on mobile however Access Network (AN) could be fixed

#### 3GPP 5G service based architecture



# Functional blocks within 5G network architecture

- 1. AUSF = Authentication Server Function
- 2. UDM = Unified Data Management
- 3. AMF = Core Access and Mobility Management Function
- 4. SMF = Session Management Function
- 5. PCF = Policy Control Function
- 6. AF = Application Function
- 7. UE = User Equipment
- 8. ((R)AN) = (Radio) Access Network
- 9. UPF = User Plane Function
- 10. DN = Data Network, e.g. operator services, Internet or 3rd party services

#### 5G interfaces (reference points)

- NG1: Reference point between the UE and the Access and Mobility Management function.
- NG2: Reference point between the (R)AN and the Access and Mobility Management function.
- NG3: Reference point between the (R)AN and the User plane function (UPF).
- NG4: Reference point between the Session Management function (SMF) and the User plane function (UPF).
- NG5: Reference point between the Policy Function (PCF) and an Application Function (AF).
- NG6: Reference point between the UP function (UPF) and a Data Network (DN).
- NG7: Reference point between the Session Management function (SMF) and the Policy Control function (PCF).
- NG7r: Reference point between the vPCF and the hPCF.
- NG8: Reference point between Unified Data Management and AMF.
- NG9: Reference point between two Core User plane functions (UPFs).
- NG10: Reference point between UDM and SMF.
- NG11: Reference point between Access and Mobility Management function (AMF) and Session Management function (SMF).
- NG12: Reference point between Access and Mobility Management function (AMF) and Authentication Server function (AUSF).
- NG13: Reference point between UDM and Authentication Server function (AUSF).
- NG14: Reference point between 2 Access and Mobility Management function (AMF).
- NG15: Reference point between the PCF and the AMF in case of non-roaming scenario, V-PCF and AMF in case of roaming scenario.
- NG16: Reference point between two SMFs, (in roaming case between V-SMF and the H-SMF).

#### 5G RAN and functional decomposition...



DU = Centralised Unit DU = Distributed Unit NGFI = Next Generation Fronthaul Interface



#### RAN functional splits and impact on backhaul

#### Research topics include:



### BT, EE, NEC and University of Salford V-band radio (60GHz)



## BT steps up its 5G preparation work as UK gets a new mmW test centre

#### NEC teams with BT and EE to test future 5G technology at Salford University

#### 🛗 Thursday 23 February 2017

NEC Corporation, BT and EE will work with the University of Salford as a research partner to undertake the most thorough testing yet into the performance of vital mobile technology for 4G and 5G networks.



#### Summary

- 5G standards are still under development within 3GPP
- Final technical contributions for the initial 5G standards are being discussed (Release 15)
- 5G will support enhanced Mobile Broadband (eMBB), Ultra-Reliable and Low Latency Communications (URLLC) and massive Machine Type Communications (mMTC)
- 5G will introduce new radio concepts in new spectrum
- Some aspects of core network evolution to NGCN will be based on NFV
- Spectrum >24GHz will significantly increases area capacity density...
- Expect to see commercial 5G services in or around 2020

