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## Evaluating current challenges in bringing RCS Services to market

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# RCS – gaining considerable momentum



9 of the top 10 handset manufacturers already committed

MWC announcements	2011	2012
Handset makers committed		


Device Availability regarding RCS today announced by top handset makers!

Operators supporting RCS standards	Europe	North America	Asia

RCS reachable market footprint is exceeding one billion customers!

# What is RCS/joyn?



RCS	new cross-operator standardized communication services
	customer-facing brand to identify and promote the RCS services

Initial  
service  
set

## Rich Call



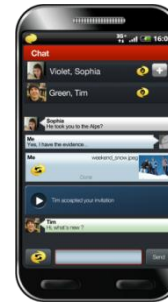
Share the moment  
See what I see



## Instant messaging



Text chat



## File transfer



Share pictures  
& files



## Capability discovery



See your peers' communications capabilities



# Why joyn will succeed



User benefits  
driving Service  
uptake

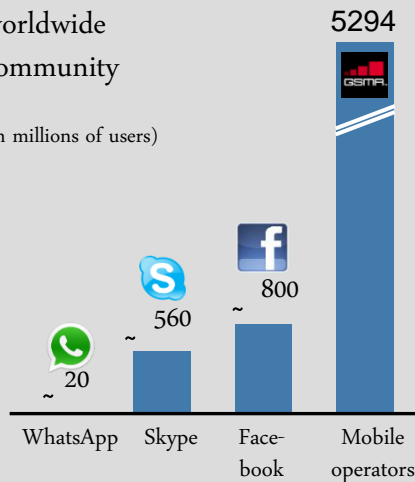
Uptake levers

1

## Reach

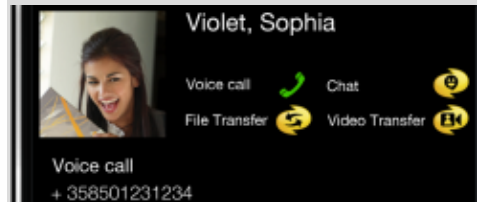
Size of the  
worldwide  
community

(in millions of users)



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## Automatic service discovery



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## Ease of use

Always one click less



- Maximum achievable penetration, native integration in all\* handsets
- OTA updates of installed base
- Downloadable apps (iPhone, Android)





## Customer Benefits

- New communication services natively within the device
- Maximum **reach** - potential to reach anyone on any network and any device
- Intuitive use, seamless integration and easy discoverability – just like voice & SMS
- No need to install or set up: **it's just there – it just works**



## Business Benefits

- Strengthens the Operator core communication competency
- The initial feature set delivers substantial customer value
- Provides a sustainable **operator positioning in IP communication** as it will become a universal, interoperable service





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# IMS – What are the current perceptions?



It's expensive



It's complex



You always need another one!

...So what is it good for?



# What are the 4 key arguments for IMS?



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Community



- IMS has become world-standard
- Addresses 5.3 bn mobile subs + 1.5 bn fixed subs
- Compare:
  - Facebook: 0.8 bn subs
  - MySpace: 0.13 bn subs
  - Windows Live Spaces: 0.12 bn subs

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Ubiquity



- Independence of services from access network
- Integration of legacy networks (e.g. GSM, PSTN)
- Seamless 2G/3G/4G/WiFi mobility
- Full int. roaming support in mobile networks

3

Flexibility



- Enables service evolution, kind of “docking station” for new applications
- Fixed-mobile convergence
- Various charging options and 3rd party enabling

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Quality



- Telco-grade quality-of-service
- Security, reliability
- Fulfilment of regulatory requirements
- Replacement of legacy CS hardware



# What is the motivation for deploying IMS?



- Migration to an all-IP environment and leverage Telco assets
- Bringing Telco-quality to the “IP world”
- Separating services from access network
- Simplifying introduction and evolution of IP-based multimedia services
- Integrating of legacy Telco services (e.g. circuit switched)
- joyn and VoLTE together is the Operator communication service proposition in an LTE world – makes sense to base them on the same technology.



# Comparison of OTT and classic Telco vs IMS using voice service as an example



Example: Voice service	"Pure" OTT service platform	Embedded service platform (e.g. IMS)	Classic TelCo network
IP connections between two and more users	✓	✓	✗
Handover between packet and circuit-switched domains	✗	✓	✗
End-to-End quality management (Quality of Service)	✗	✓	✓
Allow flexible, service-dependent billing	( ✓ )	✓	✓
Provide home network environment in visited networks	✓	✓	( ✓ )
Support regulatory requirements such as lawful interception, 911...	✗	✓	✓
Support high level of security incl. AAA* functionality	✗	✓	✓
Keep service independent from access network	✓	( ✓ )	✗

\* In computer security, AAA commonly stands for "authentication, authorization and accounting" (source: Wikipedia).



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# What are the challenges facing us?



High complexity and cost are slowing down decision-making on joyn and threatening time to market

The challenges are:

Separate the IMS discussion from the joyn discussion

“Don’t make the first loaf pay for the bakery”

Make it simpler (and thus cheaper)





When I started out on this journey...



“Now I'm a believer” - The Monkees







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