

GSMA mEducation Toolkit

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Introduction to mEducation

## The Education Landscape



- Increasingly, societies and individuals around the world are recognising that investment in education is an investment in their future growth and economic prosperity.
- Economic globalisation, demographic change and rapid innovation and adoption of technology are among many global trends driving demand for education in both developed and emerging economies.
- In most OECD countries, annual public expenditure on education represents between 4% and 5% of GDP.



## The Education Landscape (cont.)



- Global education IT spend was \$64.15 billion in 2010, achieving 2.5% annual growth even after the financial crisis, according to Gartner research<sup>1</sup>.
- The growing adoption of smartphones, tablets, portable gaming machines and other handheld devices by individuals is building a potentially compelling learning platform that could be harnessed by a significant proportion of the education market.
- Mobile connectivity provides the opportunity to offer new ways of teaching and learning that are cost-effective and can create programmes of education that can be better personalised to the needs and location of the individual, thereby improving the educational experience and outcomes.



### What is mEducation?



mEducation is the application of mobile devices & services, connected to mobile networks, in any education process, including teaching & learning, assessment and administration.

#### mEducation can be:

- Formal, non formal or informal
- Collaborative or individual
- Self guided or facilitated
- Private or public funded
- Available at any time, in any place on any mobile device
- Relevant throughout a person's lifetime



"mEducation has the potential to transform any education experience"

## What are the benefits of mEducation?



#### **Accessible**

**Simplifies access** to education resources and experts. Overcomes traditional constraints of time and space.

- mEducation is highly scalable; once created, learning material can be accessed by many.
- Students not able to physically be in class can access live or recorded lectures and other supportive resources such as tutors or tests.
- Teachers can access, create and co-create on-line courses or learning objects.
- Adults wanting to up-skill can learn when convenient and at their own pace.
- Concepts such as the Flipped classroom and 'just in time' learning becomes a practical reality

#### **Personal**

**Personalises** the education experience for learners by offering flexibility and a tailored learning experience.

- Complete flexibility in use of time & space, enabling us to rethink the way education is delivered and received
- Content type and modality of learning can be specified according to the student's learning style
- Real time data allows Teachers / coaches to make high quality decisions.
- Education insights from Big Data: Identify trends, test new ideas, conduct root cause analysis etc.

#### **Efficient**

Promotes efficiency and cost savings by automating processes in education systems.

- Teaching & learning voting, reminders, reinforcement and assessment. 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills such as collaboration & communication.
- Improved security such as access to buildings & single sign on to IT systems.
- Automated and secure financial transactions for students and parents e.g. mobile money.
- Automated recording of attendance & trigger of absence actions e.g. via NFC.
- Communications, such as inschool, safety messages and to parents.

# There are a number of technology trends which are supporting the development of mEducation today



At least 15
countries are
currently
investing in
deployments of
mobile devices
for schools at
national or state
level.4

## Technology Trends supporting the growth of mEducation around the world:

- Increased availability and penetration of smart portable devices
- A fast emerging generation of digital natives
- Governments are investing in mEducation to improve economic potential & growth
- Emergence of new mobile-based education products and services.

Worldwide 45% of 10 year olds have a personal mobile ranging from 10% in France to 73% in the UK and 83% in Poland.1

Globally 750 million households (41%) are connected to the Internet.<sup>3</sup>

15–17% of titles at the major App/ eBook/Audio stores are education based. Education is the second most popular download category behind

9% of UK parents surveyed in 2013 had bought a mobile for a 5 year old starting school.<sup>2</sup>

# mEducation services can be applied across a wide range of teaching and learning scenarios



	Schools	Higher Education	Workplace	Skills & Employment	Lifelong Learning	
Formal Learning	Connected Class/School Out-of-school Education Teacher Training	Connected Lecture Halls / University Distance Education	Compliance Training & Assessment Workforce Development	Vocational Training MOOC	Distance Learning MOOC Badges	
Learning	Collaborative Learning  Assessment, Electronic Certificate wallet  Secure Access , Registration, financial systems  Communication systems  System Automation					
Non Formal Learning	Supplemental Learning Distance Tutoring Exam Preparation	Distance Tutoring Exam Preparation MOOC	Enterprise University	Career Information Job Search Expert Gateways	Clubs/Communities Knowledge Acquisition e.g. Search & MOOC Crowdsourcing Platform	
Informal Learning	Secure Social Spaces	eBooks MOOC	Intranet based social / Community Platforms	Employment Clubs	Social Media Rich Communication Services Community Platforms	



mEducation Market Forecasts and Trends

Asia

## Overview of the market - Asia



- Asia will generate the highest revenues for mobile learning on the planet throughout the forecast period.
- It has the third highest growth rate at 21.2% (after Africa and Latin America).
- Mobile learning revenues in Asia reached \$2.6 billion in 2012 and will reach \$6.8 billion by 2017.
- Forecasts for twenty countries are included in this Asia report:

Australia	Nepal		
Bangladesh	New Zealand		
Cambodia	Pakistan		
China (including Hong Kong and Macao)	The Philippines		
India	Singapore		
Indonesia	South Korea		
Japan	Sri Lanka		
Laos	Taiwan		
Malaysia	Thailand		
Mongolia	Vietnam.		

## Overview of the market continued - Asia



- In the 2012 market the top buyers were:
  - Japan
  - South Korea
  - China
- By 2017, China will be the top buyer followed by India and Indonesia.
- Malaysia has the highest growth rate in the region at a breath-taking 57.5%, followed by Thailand and Vietnam at 56.0% and 49.9%, respectively.
- Thirteen countries in Asia have mobile learning growth rates above the combined aggregate growth rate of 21.2% in the region.
- Main trends in this region have created a massive demand for mobile learning content in Asia on a scale previously seen only in North America.
- By as early as 2013, Asia will overtake North America as the top buying region for mobile learning content.

## Prominent themes in the region - Asia



- 1. Mobile learning value-added services (VAS) products. These are now generating hundreds of millions of new revenues each year for suppliers.
- 2. Investments by the device makers and mobile operators in the industry. They are major innovators in all the countries analysed in Ambient's report.
- 3. Large-scale deployment of Internet-connected tablets in the academic segments and the uptake of personal learning devices (PLDs) in the consumer segments.
- 4. Adoption of "smart" mobile devices connected to wireless broadband.
- 5. The activities of the mobile operators in this region.

\*Note of Interest\* The unique app buying behaviours in each country. No two countries analysed in this report exhibit the same consumer buying patterns.





### Mobile learning value-added services.

- The device makers and mobile operators initially launched mobile learning VAS products in developing economies in Asia in 2008 and are now expanding into the developed economies.
- All of the top mobile operators in India have launched mobile learning VAS products in the last four years. Combined, they have a potential customer base of over 500 million subscribers.
- As of February 2013, Asia had 99 mobile learning VAS products, more than any other region and 45% of all mobile learning VAS products on the global market.
- In Asia, India had the most with 37 products on the market, followed by China at eight, and South Korea and the Philippines with six each.

\*Note\*: Not all mobile learning VAS suppliers are device makers or mobile operators. Depending on the country and the business relationship between the content supplier and the telecom, the mobile operators can take up to 80% of sales (particularly in India)



### Investments by the device makers and mobile operators in the industry

- Device makers and mobile operators are major innovators in all the countries analysed in the Ambient Asia report.
  - In some countries, they are the only major suppliers.
- Device makers and mobile operators in Asia offer significant partnering opportunities for content and services suppliers.
- Device makers are making substantial investments in product development and localized content distribution. They offer third-party services and content suppliers significant revenue opportunities in specific countries.
- Nokia, Samsung, Apple, LG, and Nintendo are important players in Asia's mobile learning markets. Each contributes to the industry in different ways. The one thing they have in common is that they are all distribution channels for third party learning content suppliers.



### Large-scale deployment of Internet-connected tablets

- PLDs have been popular in the developed economies in Asia for over a decade. The products are now gaining traction in the less developed economies in Asia.
- The largest national deployments of tablets in Asia are in South Korea, Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore.
- It is common in Asia for general-purpose device makers to partner with educational publishers and offer education bundles with digital content preloaded on generalpurpose tablets.





### Adoption of "smart" mobile devices

- Large rural populations across Asia are now avid users of mobile learning technology, while very few have experienced self-paced eLearning on a PC.
- In developing economies, PC penetration is often low, yet mobile subscriptions are quite high. mobile learning suppliers are targeting the mobile device as the delivery platform of choice in those economies.
- By 2017, ten countries in Asia will be spending more on mobile learning than on eLearning: India, Laos, Nepal, Malaysia, Indonesia, Cambodia, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Thailand.
- Device makers are flooding the markets in developing countries with inexpensive smartphones. 4G networks are rolling out across Asia. As of December 2012, half of the twenty countries analysed in this report had operational 4G networks.





### The activities of the mobile operators

- The mobile operators are major players in the mobile content markets in most countries in the region.
  - They are the top mobile learning competitors in several Asian countries.
- In developing economies, the mobile operators are first to market in the academic segments as they roll out Internet connectivity to the schools, often under a government contract.
- Once in, they are the first point of contact for academic learning technology buyers.
   They have the customer relationship with the schools.



## Regional examples of mEducation - Asia



#### Nokia

 Nokia has been promoting mobile learning in the region since the launch of their Mobiledu product in China in 2007.

### Samsung

February 2013 - Piloted their new Smart School Platform in schools in 24 countries. The most advanced projects include schools in South Korea and in Australia. Their primary content partner is US-based Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

#### Nintendo

Greatly expanded the buying demographic for mobile edugames by encouraging developers to design games on a range of topics including early childhood learning, language learning, yoga training, music, test prep, cooking, general academic topics, and, more recently, art instruction.



**mEducation - Operator Offerings** 

## The mEducation product landscape



	Device & Network Services	Tools & Platforms	Content Services	Learning Services
Example products	<ul> <li>Provision of devices         e.g. eReaders,         tablets, connected         whiteboards</li> <li>Device management         e.g. profile, access,         software upgrades</li> <li>Managed connectivity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Learning management systems (LMS)</li> <li>Apps stores</li> <li>Authoring tools</li> <li>Rich communication &amp; collaboration</li> <li>Data &amp; video handling</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Approved curriculum &amp; content</li> <li>Workforce &amp; skills courses</li> <li>Free &amp; open source content</li> <li>Premium paid-for content</li> <li>Learning apps &amp; games</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Distance tutoring</li> <li>Homework support</li> <li>Test preparation support</li> <li>Reinforcement &amp; reminders</li> <li>Adaptive assessment</li> </ul>

Traditional operator competence

Non-traditional operator competence / Increase in Partnerships

# Depending on the operator service offering and role, partnerships may be required for service delivery



	Device & Network Services	Tools & Platforms	Content Services	Learning Services
Potential partners	<ul> <li>Device vendors</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Software developers</li><li>Platform providers</li></ul>	<ul><li>Content suppliers</li><li>Content developers</li><li>Apps and games developers</li></ul>	<ul><li>Teachers</li><li>Tutors</li><li>Education specialists</li><li>Curriculum experts</li></ul>

#### Traditional operator competence

Non-traditional operator competence / Increase in Partnerships

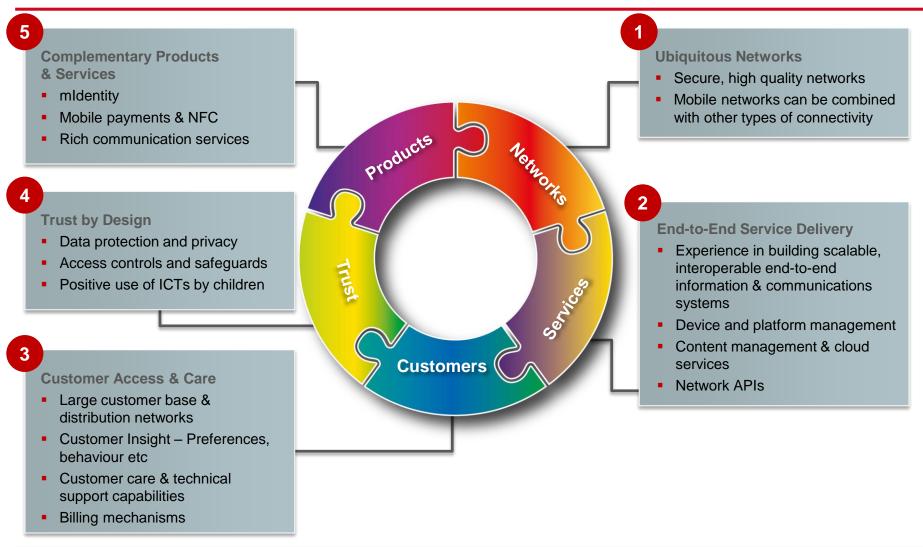
<u>Note:</u> While more traditional services may require fewer partners, this does not necessarily mean that deployments are less complex. For example, device or network provision to a government customer may be as (or more) complex as a learning service targeted at individual customers.

#### Forms of partnership may include:

- Supplier-purchaser relationship with agreed payments
- Specialist consultancy service provision
- Service partnership agreement with revenue share
- Joint venture

# Mobile operators have a number of assets & capabilities which support their mEducation offerings





Mobile operators are uniquely positioned to become key players in mEducation.



# Operator assets & capabilities: Ubiquitous networks



#### Mobile networks are:

#### Pervasive & Reliable

- Mobile networks are used in 219 countries and territories by more than 3 billion people<sup>1</sup>
- GSM technologies also provide travellers with access to mobile services wherever they go – approximately 90% of the world's population are covered by GSM networks
- Mobile operators continue to invest heavily in their networks to build capacity to facilitate content-rich services
  - Global operator capex for LTE technologies is expected to be US\$24 billion in 2013 rising to US\$36 Billion in 2015<sup>2</sup>

#### Secure

- When using their mobile devices, users can be assured that the network will recognise them and then route calls made to their phone number correctly
- To do this, the network and the device use encryption algorithms and network generated 'challenges' to the device to make sure the device (and the phone number and associated subscription) that is being registered on to the network is who it says it is
- An inherently high level of security enables mobile networks and devices to be utilised even for sensitive transactions such as mobile payments and legally-binding mobile signatures

#### **Flexible**

- Many mobile devices are now also equipped with Wi-Fi connectivity as well as cellular, enabling consumers to use the best (and/or cheapest) connection available at any given time
- For example, students and teachers could make use of Wi-Fi networks within classrooms and their homes, while enjoying seamless connectivity when they leave a building via a mobile broadband network

# Operator assets & capabilities: End-to-end service delivery



#### **Device & Platform Management**

- Mobile operators have expertise in deploying and managing vast numbers of devices. This includes:
  - Managing device requirements
  - Sourcing and configuration
  - Device rental and insurance schemes
  - Device configuration and content updates
  - Device monitoring and support
- Mobile operators have experience managing large-scale interoperable IT platforms, such as databases that may store learning material, eBooks, student records, ePortfolios and digital lockers

## Content & Cloud Services

- Mobile operators have expertise in delivering and maintaining content in different formats for various device and interaction types; in education, this would ensure that learning materials are compatible with different device types
- Many operators are also experienced in delivering Cloud Services, where the majority of content and data resides remotely in a central system rather than on the device; this is helpful for educational institutions who do not wish to manage large IT systems in-house

#### **Network APIs**

- Mobile operators have the ability to expose APIs to partners or other stakeholders that would enable them to utilise network assets to deliver services to their customers
- For example, Location, Identity and Payment APIs would enable third parties, in secure circumstances, to locate a device, identify a user or process a payment using the operator's existing processes

#### **End-to-End Solutions & Partnering**

- Most mobile operators have considerable experience of partnering with other organisations, including content providers, apps developers and vertical industry partners in different industries, to provide end-to-end services
- These skills can be used in the education sector to build end-to-end services on behalf of education institutions who prefer to liaise with only one partner to design and run their mEducation services
- Such end-to-end services could incorporate unified billing for content, applications and connectivity services



# Operator assets & capabilities: Customer access and care





#### **Customer Access**

#### **Large Customer Base**

Mobile operators serve 3 billion people in 219 countries across the world<sup>1</sup>. Mobile operators have a unique insight into the way their customers like to experience their services and what their preferences are. This is key to personalisation.

#### **Retail Stores**

Mobile operators have large physical distribution networks, enabling direct sales and customer service. This is important in markets where online purchasing is low or when users want to experience a product prior to purchasing.



#### **Customer Care**

#### **Customer Support**

Mobile operators already support their business and individual customers post-paid services such as on-line support, telephone help lines etc.; these could easily be extended to mEducation customers.

#### **Dedicated Support**

Many mobile operators provide large corporate clients with dedicated customer support teams; similarly tailored customer support could be provided to education institutions and their students.



#### **Billing**

#### **Billing Mechanisms**

Mobile operators already have billing mechanisms for both prepaid and post-paid customers which could be used to support educational content and services.

#### **Multi-Client Billing**

Operators have the capability to bill separately for different services running on the same device e.g. a school pays for a student's device and curriculum content, while the student pays for additional services such as games or entertainment.

# Operator assets & capabilities: Trust by design



#### **Data Protection & Privacy**

- In January 2011, the GSMA published a set of universal <u>Mobile Privacy Principles</u> that describe the way in which mobile consumers' privacy should be respected and protected when consumers use mobile applications and services that access, collect and use personal information.
- The Privacy Principles cover the areas of:
  - Openness, Transparency and Notice
  - Purpose and Use
  - User Choice and Control
  - Data Minimisation and Retention
  - Respect User Rights
  - Security
  - Education
  - Children and Adolescents
  - Accountability and Enforcement
- In February 2012, the GSMA published a set of <u>Privacy Design Guidelines for Mobile Application Development</u>. These help ensure privacy is designed in from the outset. The GSMA is currently working with members to help them implement the guidelines.
  - In January 2013 a number of European mobile operators decided to adopt an <u>Accountability Framework</u> – a mechanism for companies to demonstrate that their business practices comply with the guidelines

#### **Age-Sensitive Content & Services**

- Mobile operators are taking a number of steps to encourage the safe and responsible use of mobile services, and to enable parents to manage the risk of their children being exposed to inappropriate content. Examples include:
  - Collaborating on national codes of practice
  - Classifying content and offering parental controls
  - Running education and awareness campaigns for parents and children, as well as for teachers (e.g. TeachToday)
- The GSMA and its members participate in forums with stakeholders from across the ecosystem to promote the safe use of ICT by children. For example:
  - European Framework for Safer Mobile Use by Younger Teenagers and Children - a self-regulatory initiative of the mobile industry, which advises mobile operators on how to ensure that younger teenagers and children can safely access content on their mobile devices
  - ICT Coalition members include mobile operators, ISPs, vendors, content providers and Internet players. The guiding principles are in the areas of content, parental controls, dealing with abuse / misuse, child abuse or illegal content, privacy & control, and education & awareness
  - The GSMA is a member of the International Telecommunication Union's Child Online Protection (COP) initiative, through which it contributes knowledge and experience of mobile phone safety to the ITU industry guidelines



# Operator assets & capabilities: Complementary products and services



Along with voice and data communications, mobile operators offer a variety of rich services which can complement mEducation offerings:

#### mldentity

- Mobile operators have the ability to provide strong authentication to enable individuals and organisations to interact in a private, trusted and secure environment
- Types of mldentity include:
  - Federated identity
  - Second factor authentication
  - Mobile digital signatures
- In the Education sector, mldentity can be used to authenticate users in various scenarios such as for:
  - On-line tests or exams
  - Purchasing content, school meals etc.
  - Accessing student files
  - Submitting assignments or other content

#### **Mobile Payments & NFC**

- Mobile payments allow users to pay for goods, content or services via their mobile phone
- In some cases, 'operator billing', the purchase amount can be deducted from the mobile account or added to the user's mobile bill
- Coupled with Near Field
   Communications, 'NFC', mobile payments can be a smooth and powerful way to become cashless; promoting efficiency and deterring theft of physical monies
- NFC can also be utilised in other scenarios, for example:
  - Recording student attendance
  - Access to physical locations
  - Ticketing (e.g. bus tickets)

#### **Rich Communications**

- Rich Communication Services, 'RCS', is an operator-led communications service
- It delivers an experience beyond voice and SMS by providing users with instant messaging or chat, live video and file sharing across any device, on any network, with all the enabled contacts in their address book
- Rich Communications can benefit the Education sector in scenarios such as:
  - Distance learning or tutoring
  - Student & teacher collaboration



# There are a variety of potential customers for different mEducation product offerings



		Schools	Higher Education	Workplace	Skills & Employment	Lifelong Learning
For	rmal	Public and private schools  Gov't departments  Central procurement departments	Public and private universities  Gov't departments  Central procurement departments	Corporations Training Centres	Students  Colleges Training Centres	Students  Education Institution / Service
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B2B2C: Business to Business to Consumer – the mobile operator sells to another business which then sells the service to end consumers.

B2B: Business to Business – the mobile operator sells to a business or organisation (e.g. a school) whose stakeholders then use the service .

B2C: Business to Consumer – the mobile operator sells directly to the individual end user of the service e.g. a student.

## Examples of charging models



There are a variety of ways that mobile operators can charge their customers for mEducation products and services, including:



#### **B2C Charging Models Examples**

- Annual subscription
- Monthly subscription
- Pay as you go volume / duration
- Pay as you go event
- One-time payment e.g. device, fixed service



## B2B and B2B2C Charging Models Examples

- Annual license for the system or per user
- Monthly fee for operations & maintenance
- Capacity-based charges
- Event- or Usage-based charges
- One-time payment e.g. devices, bespoke services

Charging could be based on one or a combination of the examples given above.



mEducation - Operator Market Entry Process

# A phased approach to developing and implementing mEducation solutions



- 1 Market Assessment
- Country and regional research
- Prioritise best opportunities
- 2 Stakeholder Engagement
- Reach out to stakeholders e.g. governments, potential partners, potential customers
- Agree on type of mEducation to develop
- 3 Solution Design
- Design mEducation solution covering education, technical, operational and business aspects
- Agree to solution design, implementation plan and business model
- Development & Pilot
- Develop mEducation solution
- Undertake pilots to test and validate
- 5 Deployment
- Deploy mEducation solution and undertake marketing activities
- Undertake training and championship programmes
- Management & Assessment
- Undertake day-to-day operational management of solution
- Regularly assess education, technical and business outcomes
- 7 Ongoing Improvement
- Develop enhancements / extensions/ updates as agreed

mEducation initiatives will undertake different activities within each phase depending on the product offering.

## Areas to address in an mEducation proposition



1. mEducation Product or Service Overview				
1.1 Description	1.2 End User Expe	rience		
Describe the mEducation product/service.		Describe how end-users interact with the product/service e.g. types of devices, content, access.		
2. mEducation Product or Service Deliver	ery			
2.1 Operator Role	2.2 Partners & Roles	2.3 Distribution		
What is the operator role in delivering the product/service?	Who are the service delivery partners and what are their roles?	How is the product/service being distributed?		
3. Business Model				
3.1 Target Customers	3.2 Charging Model	3.3 Business Model with Partners		
Who are the target customers for this product/service?	How will the customers be charged?	How will revenue be shared between delivery partners?		
4. Regulatory Environment	Regulatory Environment 5. Stakeholder Benefits			
How does the regulatory environment impact the service? Does action need to be taken		s, parents, vendors, operators etc		

# Example 1: Proposition for 'mEducation for Schools' solution



#### 1. mEducation Product or Service

#### 1.1 Description

The solution encompasses supplying one tablet per child along with an LMS which carries approved curriculum, other learning content and a social/collaborative tool. The LMS can be accessed via the tablet or a PC, both in the classroom and remotely.

#### 1.2 End User Experience

Students are able to access learning material, submit lessons/assignments and chat to classmates when remote. Teachers are able to assign lessons, assign marks and track individual student as well as overall class progress.

#### 2. mEducation Product or Service Delivery

#### 2.1 Operator Role

The mobile operator delivers the end-to-end solution, covering devices and device management, connectivity, LMS platform and learning content. The service is operator branded.

#### 2.2 Partners & Roles

- Content supplier supplies education content
- LMS vendor licenses the LMS to the operator
- Device vendor sells devices to the operator

#### 2.3 Distribution

The solution is marketed to both individual schools and Regional School Supply Organisations (RSSO). All schools belong to an RSSO which maintains a list of preapproved education services.

#### 3. Business Model: B2B

#### 3.1 Target Customers

Primary schools (with students ages 5-18) in the country, including state, independent and private schools.

#### 3.2 Charging Model

Schools are charged an annual license fee per user type covering devices, content and connectivity. Each device comes with standard monthly mobile data included with charges for over-limit data usage.

#### 3.3 Business Model with Partners

- Revenue share agreement with content provider
- Operator pays LMS vendor license fee per user
- Operator pays devices vendor per device

#### 4. Regulatory Environment

There is a generally favourable view toward e- and mEducation. Schools have discretionary power to use mobile and other technologies for teaching and learning as long as curriculum requirements are met.

#### 5. Stakeholder Benefits

- Students: latest learning material at fingertips both in and out of classroom, collaborative tools
- School: reputation for being a progressive school with modern teaching methods
- Teachers: variety of teaching materials to choose from, can personalise lessons and track individual and overall class progress
- Suppliers: increased revenue from mEducation services

## Example 2: Proposition for 'Learning English' solution



1. mEducation Product or Service				
1.1 Description		1.2 End User Experience		
The solution encompasses delivering English language learning content to users on their mobile phones. Content is categorised by scenario (e.g. travel, food/drink, business) from which users can select.		Content is delivered via text message and voice messaging to all mobile phone types. To receive the next lesson, users text a special message to a standard service number. Users are allowed to revise lessons from any modules they have taken previously.		
2. mEducation Product or Service Delivery				
2.1 Operator Role	2.2 Partners & Roles		2.3 Distribution	
The mobile operator runs the full service end- to-end, from the platform hosting the content to the delivery to end users mobile phones. The service is operator-branded.	<ul> <li>Content Provider – pr content to the operato</li> </ul>		The service is distributed directly to consumers who can sign up for the service on-line or in a retail store.	
3. Business Model: B2C				
3.1 Target Customers	3.2 Charging Model		3.3 Business Model with Partners	
Aspirational youth (15-35) who wish to improve their English to enable further employment opportunities.	Users are charged a fixed price per module of content. Users on the service operator's network are offered a significant discount compared to users from alternative networks.		<ul> <li>Operator pays the content provider revenue share per module of content purchased</li> </ul>	
4. Regulatory Environment 5. Stakeholder Bene		efits		
The environment is positive towards services that will lift the employability prospects of its citizens.	<ul> <li>Students: learning material provided on feature phone on-demand; ability to revise past lessons</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Mobile operator: revenues from service; reputation for providing useful content services</li> <li>Content provider: revenue from service</li> </ul>	

## Example 3: Proposition for 'Collaboration Platform' solution



1. mEducation Product or Service					
1.1 Description		1.2 End User Experience			
The product is a platform that allows users to collaborate via voice, rich messaging, file sharing etc. across a range of devices e.g. mobile phones, desktop computers, tablets.		Users have one identity for sign-on and are able to access the platform from their various device types. History and saved documents are also visible from any device. There are alerts for new messages etc. which can be managed via the configuration manager.			
2. mEducation Product or Service Delive					
2.1 Operator Role	2.2 Partners & Roles		2.3 Distribution		
The operator runs the collaboration platform.	<ul><li>None</li></ul>		The collaboration platform is marketed to on- line institutions which would like collaboration functionality.		
3. Business Model: B2B2C					
3.1 Target Customers	3.2 Charging Model		3.3 Business Model with Partners		
In the education sector, the target customers are on-line learning and training institutions.	The institutions are charged based on number of active users on the platform as well as volume of different message types generated each month.		N/A		
4. Regulatory Environment	5. Stakeholder Benefits				



mEducation - Operator Case Studies

# Operators are already offering a large range of mEducation services around the world



	Schools	Higher Education	Workplace	Skills & Employment	Lifelong Learning	
Formal	Tsunami disaster area project, Japan  Tablette Elève Nomade trials, France  Augmented Reality and eBooks, UAE and Africa  educ@Tlon platform trials, Italy	SWEEP programme Philippines  Telstra/ University of Western Sydney trainee teachers' project, Australia	EsTeLa project, Latin America	Tamil Nadu Spices Community project, India	Jokko project, Senegal	
Non Formal	Click2Learn, Pakistan	Cyber University, Japan App project at the Open University of Catalonia, Spain	Farmers' project, Spain	Tutor on Mobile service, India Spoken English service, India	Youth Empowerment through Mobile Learning initiative, Thailand	
Informal	Community Radio project, India	Learning Hub, South Africa	Public Job Openings project, Brazil	Red UnX MOOC community, LatAm ABC Literacy project, West Africa	Enreda Madrid project, Spain	

# Bringing mobile learning to students in the Japanese tsunami disaster area



- A partnership between KDDI, Castalia Co Ltd and Shingakukai unusual because in Japan private-sector companies are not allowed to be involved in formal education
- Helps 15-18 year old students affected by the earthquake (schools/homes destroyed) to prepare for high school/college entrance examinations in evacuation shelters using tablet computers
- Combines a social learning platform (iUniv) with tailored and focused content – students use and share the content with each other and get online advice from lecturers
- Fusen software allows the placement of notes on visual and auditory contents, which can then be linked to social media
- Will be turned into a educational service package for use in times of disasters

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# Introducing 'always connected' tablets into French schools – the Tablette Elève Nomade (student nomad tablet) project



- Orange provides a cloud-based environment to allow tablet computers to be used by 300 learners aged 11-12
- First trial in France involving 3G and the whole control and management system
- To embed technology effectively the teachers need to be fully involved, a control engine is needed (e.g. for filtering), as is a device management engine (to adapt tablets for use), 3G connections to maintain students interest in learning and the adaptation of content for Android and iOS devices
- Orange provides the technology, the learning content remains the responsibility of the educators
- Parental involvement in their children's coursework and homework has increased



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## Etisalat: making learning innovative and relevant



- Etisalat is working with Ministries of Education and institutions in the Middle East, Africa and Asia
- Moving away from traditional textbook teaching to interactive learning is encouraged through the use of Augmented Reality, web-based materials and eBooks
- AR application OGLE allows learners aged 7-12 to interact with audio, video and 3D animations using any iOS or Android smartphone, device or tablet (e.g. in Biology the human body becomes 3D and starts to dance)
- Teachers are keen because new books are not needed, so can use familiar materials whilst introducing exciting new technologies
- eBooks allow the introduction of content in local languages, many of which are published for the first time

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This case study focuses on Etisalat's projects with:

- Augmented Reality-based interactive learning in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). For more information visit www.ogle.ae
- distance learning a and Sri Lanka.

Augmented Reality – making learning

more exciting
Imagine visiting the outer reaches of the
universe or dissecting a snail... Students
can enhance their understanding of
complex issues by learning through
observation and investigation rather than
by instruction.

Using Eisslaft's Augmented Reality application—OCIAE - students access a special interactive information layer by ceaning the pages of a zehoollook with the camer on their mobile device. OCIAE automatically appeared present particular according to the control of the particular particular according to the control of the particular according to the control of the page of the pa



lesson can see the human body become 3D and start to dance.

OCIE is used by learners aged 7.12 in UAE schools which follow the UF, national curriculum in subjects including history, music, matth, elegis, PE, geography, ICT, languages and physics. All the concentral styllables-based and Establish and academies to develop new lessons and academies to develop new lessons and academies to develop new lessons content, such as videos and insuges consisted outside of school, and monoporate this content is a video and insuges consisted outside of school, and monoporate this content is in the school of the content is immediately accountable and content is immediately accountable and that we between schools—giving access to a constantly expanding collection of 3D a constantly expanding collection of 3D

Teachers are particularly keen because expenditure on new books is not needed. They can use this technology to transform the use of existing schoolbooks. CGLE also allows teachers to continue using familiar traditional learning materials at the same time as introducing exciting new technologies.

Examples of activities for students provided by Ogle in addition to the

- material printed in textbooks include:

   Pond Ecosystem Explore the animals and fauria of a typical pond-water environment, with the ability to isolate individual life forms. Dissect creatures, examine lifecycles and study their place within their environment.
- Geology/Geography Study an extensive range of geographical phenomena from the hydrological cycle to glacial formations, at a pace controlled by the user and with full interactivity.
- Physics/Engineering View a fully working car model with an operating combustion engine.
   Study the actions of steering and suspension, highlighting the forces involved.



# Telecom Italia S.p.A: educ@Tlon – a solution for sustainable collaborative and social learning



- educ@Tlon, from Telecom Italia, is a web application solution available to schools, for learners aged 6-18, designed to encourage sustainable, collaborative and social learning
- It is based on SaaS, supported by cloud computing, so just needs an Internet connection
- Students become an active part of their learning process in different applications – social reading (society@school); multimedia editorial mash-up (iSchool); virtual classroom (iBoard); classes having joint lessons (Lectio Repartita) and IWB-based lessons
- educ@Tlon is aligned with the Italian Government's Digital Agenda. A commercial offer for schools will be developed by 2014-15, when all Italian schools will need to be able to use digital content

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frequently used for teaching and learning

educational process (the student is led to seek solutions and contribute to the learning

## SWEEP: Investing in the Philippines' future engineers



- The Philippines is experiencing a rapid population increase and lack of teachers, books and classrooms – Smart aims to contribute to nation-building and humancapital development
- Smart has developed an industry-education partnership

   Smart Wireless Engineering Education Programme
   (SWEEP) to prepare engineering students for work in industry or to become 'technopreneurs'
- Smart donates a wireless laboratory and equipment to schools. Their engineers provide training on 2-4G, LTE, broadband, hotspots and apps
- The SWEEP Innovation and Excellence Awards use Smart's platform to develop solutions to directly benefit their local communities

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Smart Communications, Inc. is a telecommunications company based in the Philippines, that is working to improve information technology and engineering education in the country. They have developed an industry-education partnership – the Smart Wireless Engineering Education Programme (5 WEEP) that will prepare students for work in industry or to become technopreneurs (technology entrepreneurs).

Offering access to high-quality, up-todate equipment and training SWEEP equips Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE) students with the skills the telecommunications industry needs. They are also able to offer firsthand exposure to the Smart engineers who are building and operating the Philipptines' most extensive digital mobile phone network.

Understanding and addressing local needs In the Philippines, nearly all the school-age population attend tate (publis) schools but there are problems with a lack of qualified teachers, books and disacrooms. These problems are exacerbated by the geographic character of the Philippines as an archipelage and the rapid increase in the population.

Smart aims to improve the situation and contribute to nation-building and human-capital development. They are developing basic education programmes in the community, integrating information and communications technology (ICI) into secondary education, and the SWEEP programme for ECE and IT students in testiay schools.

The SWEEP Programme
The Programme was launched on 28
March 2003, with the first wireless lab at
the Bulacan State University. The response

of involving 20 tertiary schools (offering the equivalent of college / university education) was exceeded by 50%. In 26 date, they have created a network of 52 private and state-run schools all over the Philippines, benefiting over 14,000

The SWEEP programme has three parts – up-to-date hardware and software, expert lectures and training, and a platform for students to develop communitybased, wireless apps. The training is integrated into existing course subjects.

"Through SWEEP, our school (Bulacan State University) has become one of the top universities producing quality graduates [in] the telecommunications field." Other R. Martano, Department head College of Engineering/ tagument
Smart donates a wireless laboratory and
equipment to schools. The equipment
consists of the CSM (Global System for
Mobile Communications) and TACS
(Total Access Communications System)
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Multiple Access and AMIS (Advance
Mobile Pinnes System) technologies
from the US. These gives tudents a
comprehensive knowledge of the
development of collular communication
technology and the basics of a mobile

Their engineers provide training on 2G and 3G systems, WiMax (4G technology), LTE, smart broadband and setting up hotspots in students' own schools.

They also offer training on Android apps, providing the school with a smartphone called the Netphone – a low level smartphone that can support the deselogment of Android areas

# Connected ICT – from Telstra and the University of Western Sydney



- A partnership project in Australia between Telstra and **UWS** with Acer
- Telstra's Next G® network offered easy access to e-Learning software, apps and data via an IPWAN service with cloud capabilities
- Involved 100 trainee teachers at UWS, who were supplied with notebook computers by Acer
- The study focussed on how ubiquitous access to ICT might change teaching; change learning; enhance the students' experience of learning to teach; and assist student retention. Also the infrastructure/capacity required for student support and the data used by the students
- From 2013 all first-year students will receive a tablet computer to assist with their studies

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### Connected ICT- from Telstra and the University of Western Sydney

Using mobile technologies to create a sustainable future for universities and their students

Telstra is a leading provider of nication and managed service: to large enterprise and government organisations in Australia and worldwide, facilitating communication access in more than 240 countries and territories.

The Telstra Next G\* network provide coverage to 99.3% of the Australian population across over 2.3million squ kilometres. This network has helped the University of Western Sydne (UWS) develop an 'Education Blueprint through unified ICT infrastructure using mobile technologies to connect teachers, students and staff, providing a framework offering easy access to e-Learning software, apps and data via an IPWAN (Internet Protocol Wide Area Network) service with cloud capabilitie

You can find more information about this enterprise-solutions/Industries/education/ Index.htm

### Creating a telecommunications\_education

partnership UWS has used the Telstra Next G\* network and Telstra services to identify the potential role of ICT-enabled learning in creating a sustainable future for UWS and its students. UWS is a multi-campus organisation, providing degree courses across a broad range of subjects, primarily in the Sydney basin. They aim to use technology-rich teaching environments to enhance the competence of teaching staff and offer teachers and students the chance to work remotely from different locations.

The pilot involved trainee teachers and focussed on how ubiquitous access to ICT might

### change teaching:

- enable learning:
- enhance the students' experience of learning to teach; and

assist student retention

concerned with this project. Telstra has helped us by providing expertise and then followed up with providing boutique and bespoke plans for us, to enable us to do this pilot. And they provide us with back-end support in terms of monitoring the usage, so that we get some indication of what the students might actually use once they are able to be connected ubiquitously."

- what technology infrastructure and capacity would be required to support these students; and what kind of data, and how much, a typical student might use in the course of a year's study.
- There were no regulatory or government

Telstra and LTWS nartnered with Acer Computers Australia (Acer) to supply notebook computers to the trainee teacher students in the pilot. Acer is one of Australia's largest computer brands; dominating the notebook and tablet computer markets and specialising in

The pilot involved a group of 100 trainee teachers drawn from the UWS School of Education main postgraduate Master of Teaching programmes (Secondary Education and Primary Education) and the Bachelor of Education (Birth to 5 years). The Early Childhood students were in the last year of their in the pilot. The Primary and Secondary Education students were self-selecting after invitation from the lecturers, based on the units they were taking (in the case of the Secondary cohort, for example Teaching Methods of Science and

Full details of the teacher education programmes are available at

## Welcome to Japan's most innovative learning environment



- Cyber University, a private undergraduate university offering all of its courses online, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Softbank Corp
- Courses now designed for mobile access (eg iPads) in a cloud-enabled environment to enable learning and collaboration over the Internet
- Academics produce content, where the lifecycle is about 4 years. Students produce content too
- Biometric authentication via the Charge Coupled Device (CCD) camera identifies the students and provides authentication for exams and class attendance credits
- The combination of both fixed and mobile computing allows courses to suit students' needs, preferences and locations



organization combines cloud computing was time to take learning away from the constraints of the PC to include mobile with iPad 2 for mobile flexibility technologies, making its courses available any time and from anywhere it muits its

Apple's iPad 2 with 3G tablet device wa ntrol to the way Cyber University he focus of Cyber University's mobile (サイバー大学 Sailva Daigalos) in Pulsuolia innovation. In Nase this year, the University began loaning the tablets with 3G and 196-Fi sectivity to all eligible full time students

PC - multiple sessons for studying per students are on an increasing



## University goes portable with tablet technology



- A partnership between Orange Spain, and the Open University of Catalonia (UOC) using iPads with 3G connectivity to access the virtual campus and educational materials using a specially designed app and study the learning possibilities
- RSS technology allows the scaling of the virtual learning environment (VLE) for multiple devices
- The study considered it important for all students to access learning, even those who have disabilities (eg visual and hearing impairments) via the use of screen readers, automatic subtitling of videos and Braille tables
- UOC will now develop interactive and subject specific native apps, following positive feedback from teachers and students





## Using tablet computers in the agricultural sector in Spain



- A partnership project in Spain between Telefonica Learning Services (who managed the training programme) and ASAJA (Spanish young farmers association), subsidised by FTFE (Spanish foundation for training and employment)
- Farmers had repeatedly requested to know more about new technologies and their applications in agriculture
- iPads with 3G connectivity were used
- 3G was important because areas often not easily accessible and they work in different fields and farms
- TLS use eLearning training and tutorials using a training platform (a+ LSM) which allows both synchronous and asynchronous communication
- Farmers are expected to use their devices to organise farming calendars, control irrigation times and better record their farming outputs



## Tutor on Mobile – Anytime, anywhere learning in India



- A partnership project in India between Tata DOCOMO and Voicetap Technologies
- Designed to connect people who want to learn and acquire knowledge with experts using mobile devices
- TOM users access content through WAP, IVR, SMS or Video IVR (3G video call) – thus meaning that learning content is provided in different forms and can be accessed using any phone/platform
- Most frequently accessed areas are career counselling, job market advice, support for the AIEEE (All India Engineering Entrance Examination) and Vedic maths
- Its strength is the self-sustaining business model. The knowledge provider receives revenue for the content, the operator for the use of the service and the seeker of knowledge pays only a nominal charge (eg content items typically cost Rs 2-10)

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Titor on Medial (TOM) is designed to connect people who want to learn and acquire knowledge with expert in India through their model devices. Developed by Tata DOCOMO with technology parter Viciotes Jechnologies, it is a "knowledge marketplace" that encourage the sharing of knowledge, and provides an opportunity for people to earn morey at the aame time by providing learning at the aame time by providing learning 2011, users have accessed over 1.5 million prises of content in various forms and the service currently has more than 200,000 active users.

### How TOM works

Users of TOM can access content through
WAP, IVR (Interactive Voice Response, a
technology that automates interactions
with telephone callers), SMS or Video IVR
(3G video call).
They can:

- Learn from experts by joining in a live
- Listen to recorded podcasts on various subjects
- Connect on a one-to-one basis with subject knowledge experts by searching for them using the SMS or WAP
- View videos and other demonstrations on a particular subject
- Self-register as an expert on the platform to offer their expertise through conferences or by allowing one-to-one connections
- Receive alerts on SMS and WAP for voice content on IVR
- Use text-based explanations on specific topics and concepts
- Undertake practice on sample questions and mock tests

from over 75 content is aggregated from over 75 content providers and remains accessible to the user until their subscription expires.



Content items can be purchased individually at a charge of Rs 2-10 (e.g. a video demonstration is Rs 5 or £0.06) or as part of a pack containing several items (e.g. a pack of 30 videos can be sent to the user, one each day, for learning English at a cost of Rs 30, or £0.35).

### Key features

What makes the service so strong is that the user can use any phone/platform to access it and search for learning content. So longer do you need expensive mobile technology to be able to communicate with an expert. In India, there are more than 700 million mobile phones but only about 100 million have access to the intermet—learning content, therefore, needs to be provided in different forms.

The learning content varies considerably and covers topics ranging from learning to play a guitar, support for formal education overtures, jobs, employment and even career counselling advice.

### How to access TOM

■ Voice/SMS – Mobile phone users without internet access can use voice/ SMS services to interact directly with experts (who are screened beforehand) on a one-to-one basis. SMS and Voice traffic is managed through a shortcode series (5333300); users from other operators can also use the voice service by using a long-code (a traditional 10 digit MSISDN).

- WAP Phones with internet access can use the WAP portal to browse for TOM and access content in the form of videos explanation notes, mock tests, college database, etc. Subscrubers can also set up conferences using WAP if they want to share knowledge. The WAP raffic has been 'whitelated' to make browsing free for Tals DOCOMO uses.
- Web Learning content videos can be uploaded through the web once the creator has registered on the system. They are then evaluated for quality and revised if necessary. The platform also allows content creators to propose a price for the piece of content they wish to share.
- IVR Profiles can be created using IVR for person-to-person connections. For all live conferences, the platform provides the services of a moderator to organise and control the conversations.

To 'whitelist' something generally means to authorise access or grant membership. In this case, Tata DOCOMO authorises free access to browsing of the different forms of learning content on TOM

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# Bharti Airtel: Offering mobile education to improve spoken English and enhance career chances



- A partnership project in India between Bharti Airtel,
   Aptech and Hungama Digital Media Entertainment Pvt
   Ltd
- The services are based on IVR, SMS or WAP and use the native language of the customer for different geographical locations
- The service offered is a 3-month voice-based course focussed on 'workplace English' designed for young learners who cannot afford the time or money, or both, to enrol for regular classes, and who want to improve their career opportunities
- Mirrors the classroom experience
- The daily subscription rate is Rs 5/day, and the customer conversion (acceptance) rate has been high

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# Red UnX: From a MOOC Platform to a Mobile Learning Community for Entrepreneurship in Latin America



- A partnership between Telefónica Learning Services, CSEV, Santander, UNED, RedEmprendia and MIT to develop UnX
- UnX uses MOOCs to offer training in entrepreneurship skills using social tools, with 'connectivism' as its basis for lifelong learning
- Online badge-based accreditation indicates visual levels of achievement/skills/knowledge. Karma points awarded for participation in the fora, Q&A and blogs – reducing reliance on course professors
- Course professors and developers will develop both online and offline apps (with the potential to monetise MOOCs through freemium and paid apps), with geopositioning and Augmented Reality to encourage social networks and improve sustainability



Within the next two years, however, it is

devices will increase to more than 50% -

roughly half (53%) from mobile phones and half (47%) from tablet devices.

The UnX project is coordinated by the

UNED (National Distance University

Center for Virtual Education (CSEV) in

ollaboration with Telefónica, Santander

anticipated that visits to the site via mobile

ning occurs when a learner connects to and

which is a node arising out of the connecti

of information and the number of individuals involved, and a network comprises two or mo

nodes linked in order to share resources

and strength, depending on the con

can learn wherever they are and however they like – on the bus, on the train, at

home, etc, opportunities uniquely enabled

by mobile technologies. Their ultimate goal is the development of a more creative

entrepreneurial, engaging and inclusive

society through the use of innovative

pedagogy. Their mission is to identify and develop tools and methodologies

to facilitate this process, reaching out to

students wherever they are in terms of aspirations and local realities – all withou

# Learning about the history of Madrid using an Augmented Reality treasure hunt



- A partnership between Telefónica Learning Services, **UNED** and CSEV in Spain
- Developed an Augmented Reality treasure hunt to bring alive history, the arts, architecture and town planning with the customs of Madrid in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century – 'Enreda Madrid'
- Combines game-based learning and the use of social media tools (eg Facebook and Twitter) to promote collaboration, learn and have fun
- Offered to university students and the general public, who use their own smartphones/tablets
- Users react in real time to learning materials on-site, eg solve tests, locate sites, collect evidence, solve puzzles and use blogs
- Much interest has been shown by the general public, including tourists and the citizens of Madrid

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■ Visiting ordinary homes to learn how

Strolling down famous streets in the

Los Austrias district, eg down the Paseo del Prado, to see the former

gates of the city or the prison

Visiting one of the most famous printing houses of that time and

understanding how books were

Madrid - the opportunity to deepen their knowledge and understanding of our 17th-century traditions and social customs.

importantly, face-to-face participation, which promotes peer collaboration: people can learn whilst on the move and having

people lived and what they ate, etc

to become familiar with the latest technologies, eg mobile devices, wel

2.0 technologies and social networks.

The AR treasure hunt activity simular 17th-century Madrid, which is well-

known for its links with the renowned

painter Velázquez. Examples of the activities undertaken by students during

decipher puzzles. They also complete a

travel log, or blog, in which they share



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