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Spectrum Vision 2030

Ensuring digital inclusion through affordable connectivity





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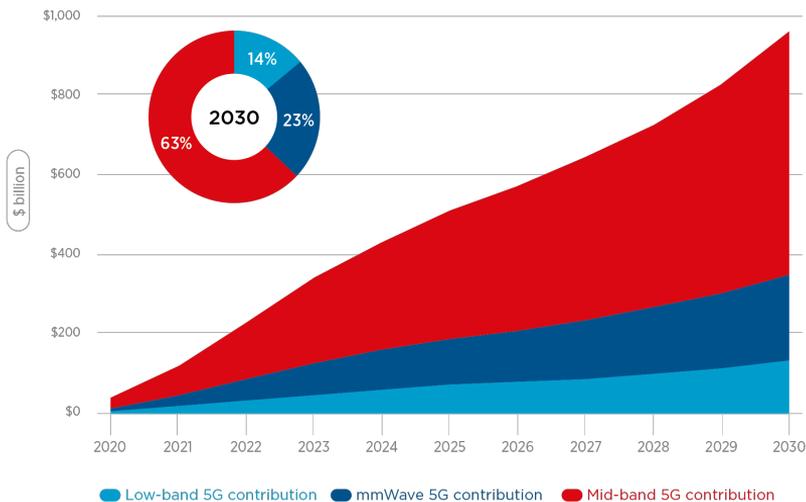


Economic Power of 5G

5G

CAN IMPACT GLOBAL ECONOMY IN 2030 BY

\$961BN...



... BUT SPECTRUM CONSTRAINTS RESTRICT VALUE

Optimal Scenario

\$961bn

0.68% of GDP

Constrained Scenario

\$594bn

0.42% of GDP

The Socio-Economic Benefits of Mid-band 5G GSMA Intelligence 2022

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Benefits of low-band spectrum:



Reduce cost of covering roads for 5G-connected vehicles



Improve digital equality with 5G speed in rural areas



Consistent speeds: deep indoors and in hard-to-reach urban areas



Improve the business case for 5G fixed wireless access (FWA)



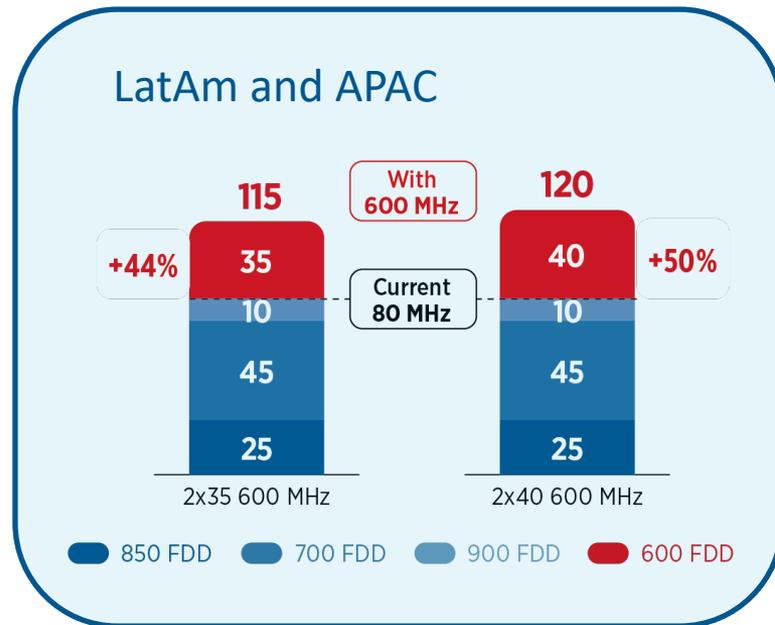
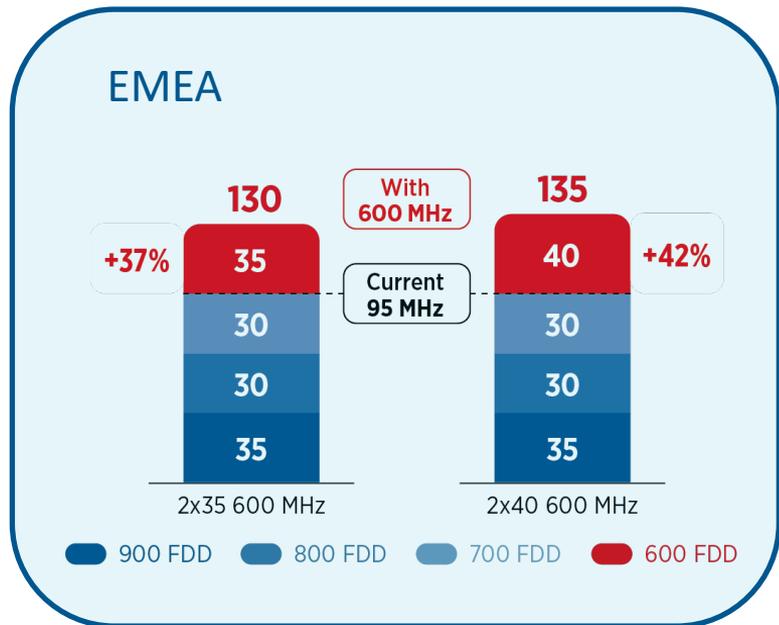
Enable smart agriculture, notably precision farming



5G capacity solution for areas where mid-bands do not reach



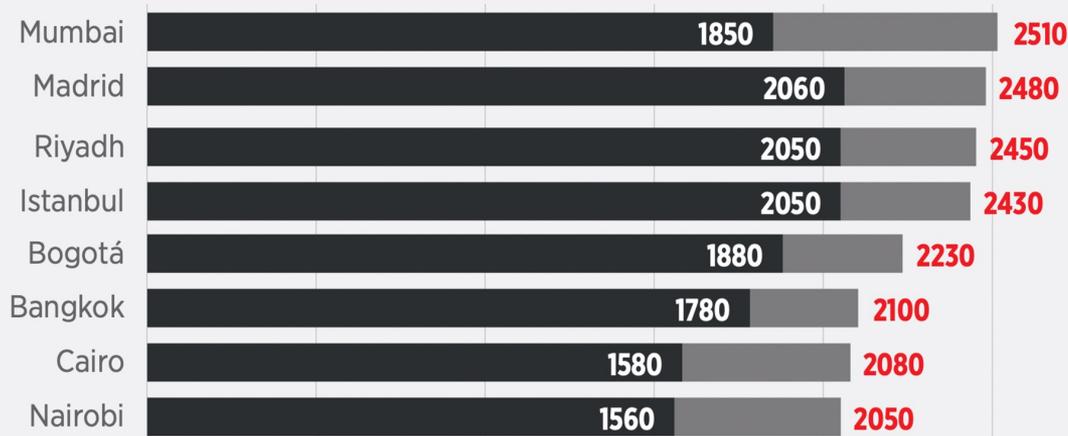
600 MHz Development



2 GHz of mid-band spectrum are needed for 5G in each market



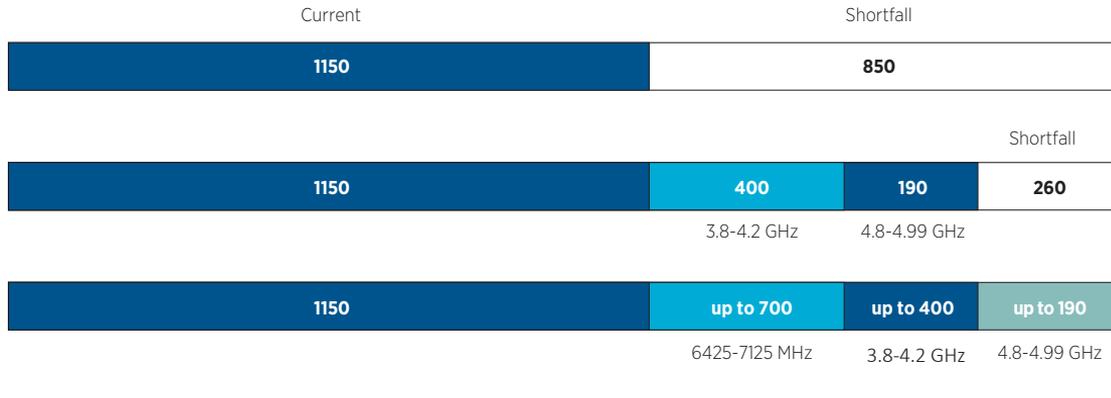
Mid-band Needs



1. On a global basis, an average of 2 GHz of mid-band spectrum will be required for 5G
2. Cities require similar amounts everywhere in the world
3. With less spectrum, IMT-2020 requirements are under risk or 5x more base stations are needed
4. Agenda Item 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 will all help raise harmonised mid-band capacity

Mid-band Options

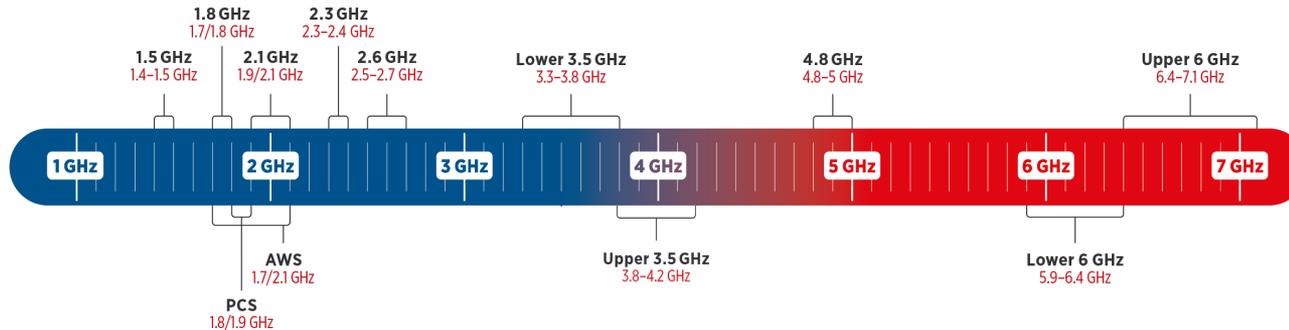
2 GHz



2 GHz

of mid-band are required for 5G by 2030.

This is challenging to achieve without 6 GHz.





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5 GHz of mmWave

spectrum are required
per market for eMBB,
FWA and enterprise



eMBB

Dense urban area
deployment to
complement low
bands and mid-
bands



FWA

FWA deployment
to complement low
bands and mid-bands
in urban, suburban
and rural areas



**Enterprise
networks**

mmWave-only enterprise network
deployment on large Industry
4.0 factory floors to enable
high-bandwidth, low-latency
applications



eMBB
4.5 GHz



FWA
350 MHz - 1.2 GHz



Enterprise networks
150 MHz



Impacts on mmWave Needs

eMBB

FWA

Expected amount of mmWave spectrum needed for 5G eMBB based on 5G adoption and expected data consumption growth



Early adopter countries'
4.5 GHz



Other countries
3 GHz

Expected amount of mmWave spectrum needed for 5G FWA based on environment

1200 MHz



Suburban area

850 MHz



Rural town

350 MHz



Urban area

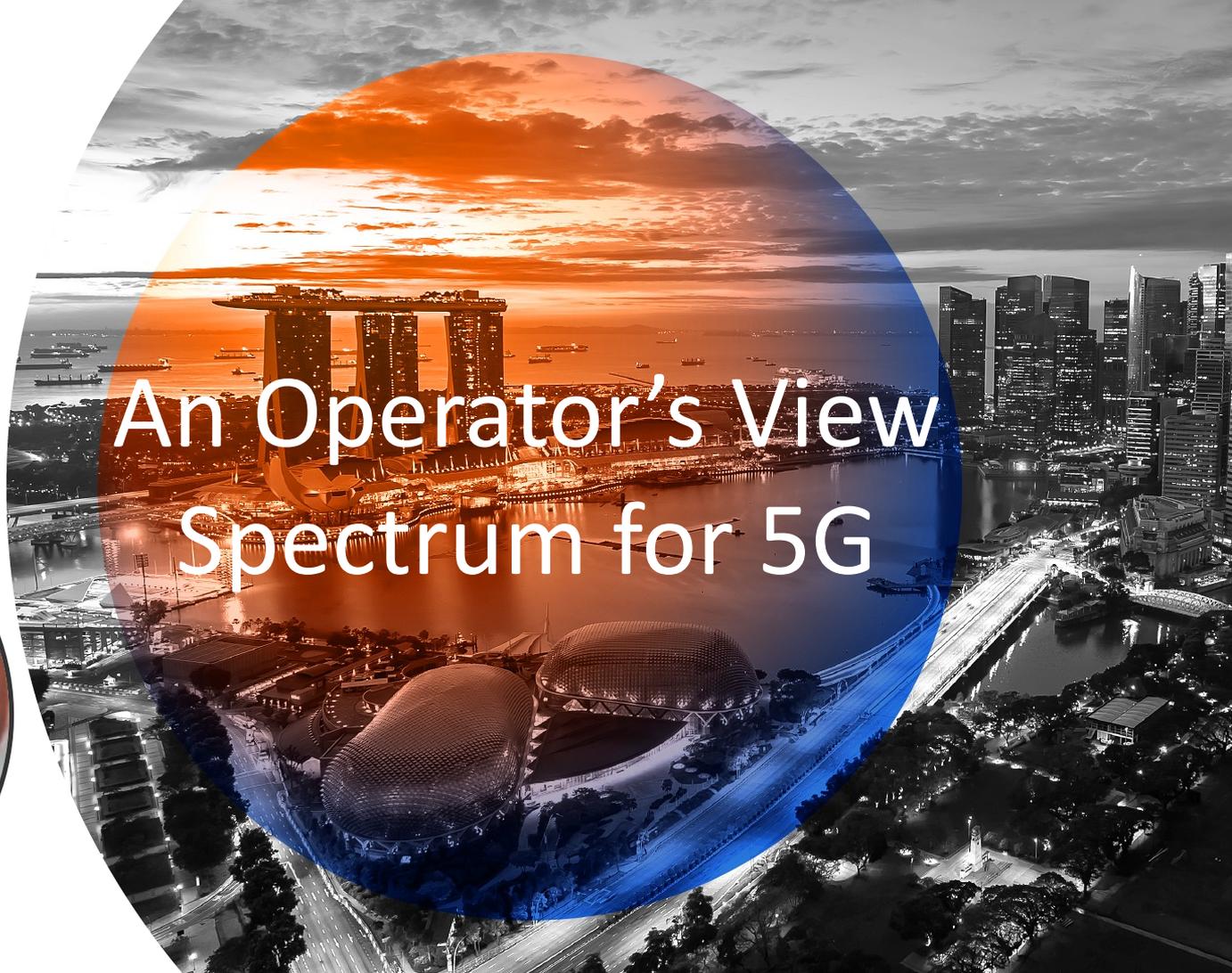
5G can deliver economic growth, social development and industrial agility... but will require timely access to spectrum in low-, mid- and high-bands.





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An Operator's View Spectrum for 5G

A decorative graphic on the left side of the slide, consisting of a white horizontal line that ends in a multi-colored arrowhead pointing to the right. The arrowhead is composed of several overlapping triangles in shades of yellow, orange, and purple, matching the Axiata logo.

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2021 RESULTS

REVENUE MYR **25.9 B**

PAT MYR **1.3 B**

CUSTOMERS Over **163 M**

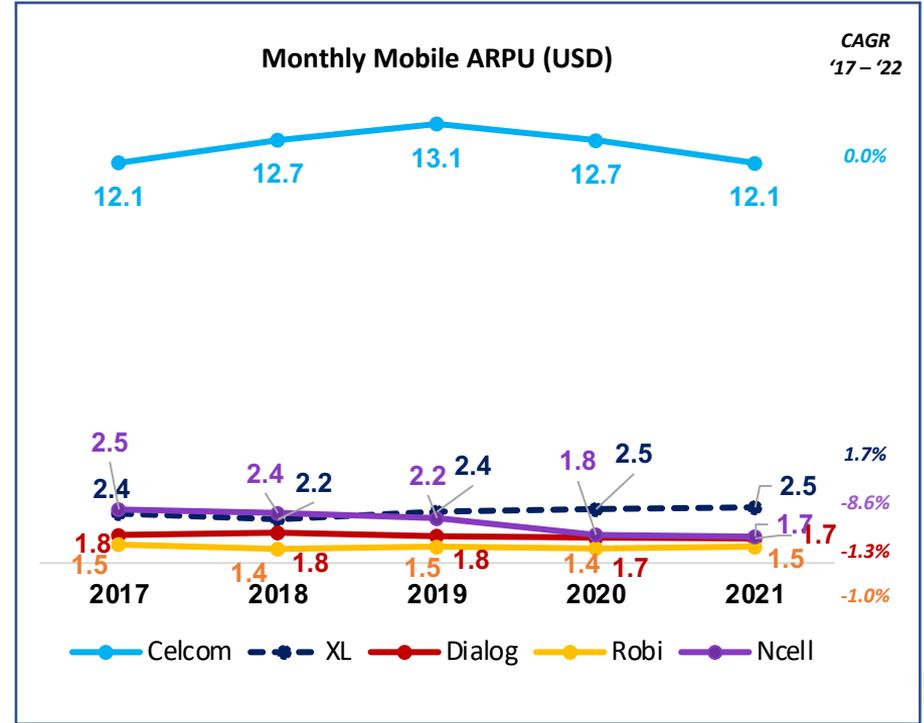
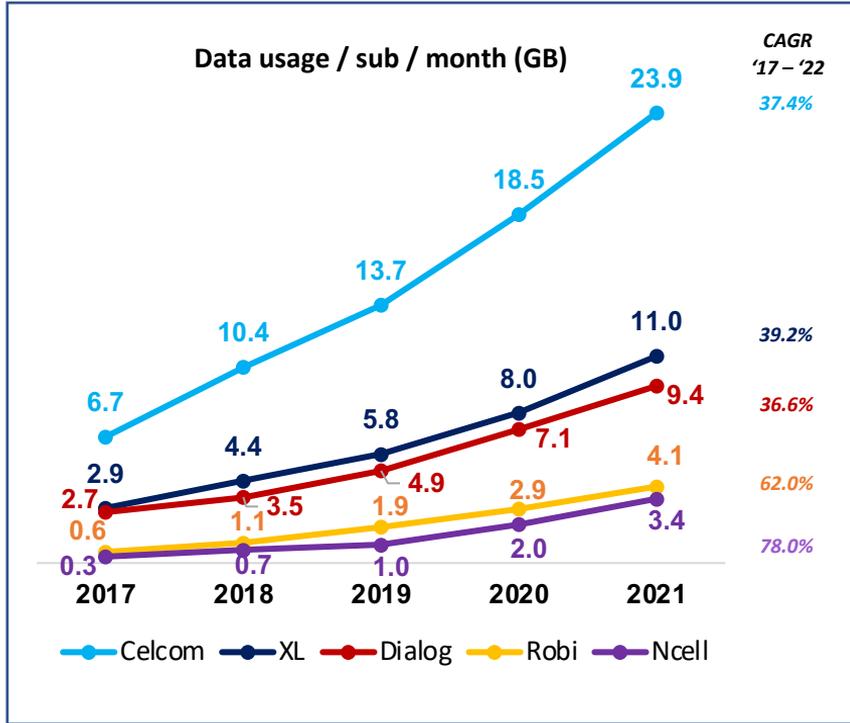
EMPLOYEES Over **13,181**

MARKET CAP* MYR **38.2 B**

COUNTRIES* **11**

* As at 31 Dec 2020

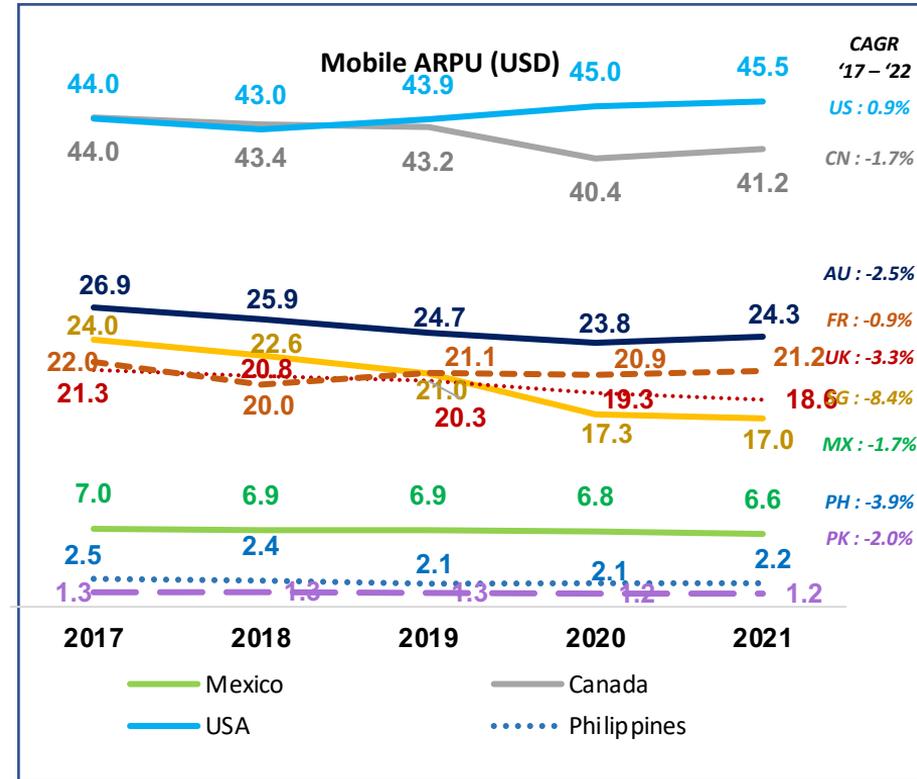
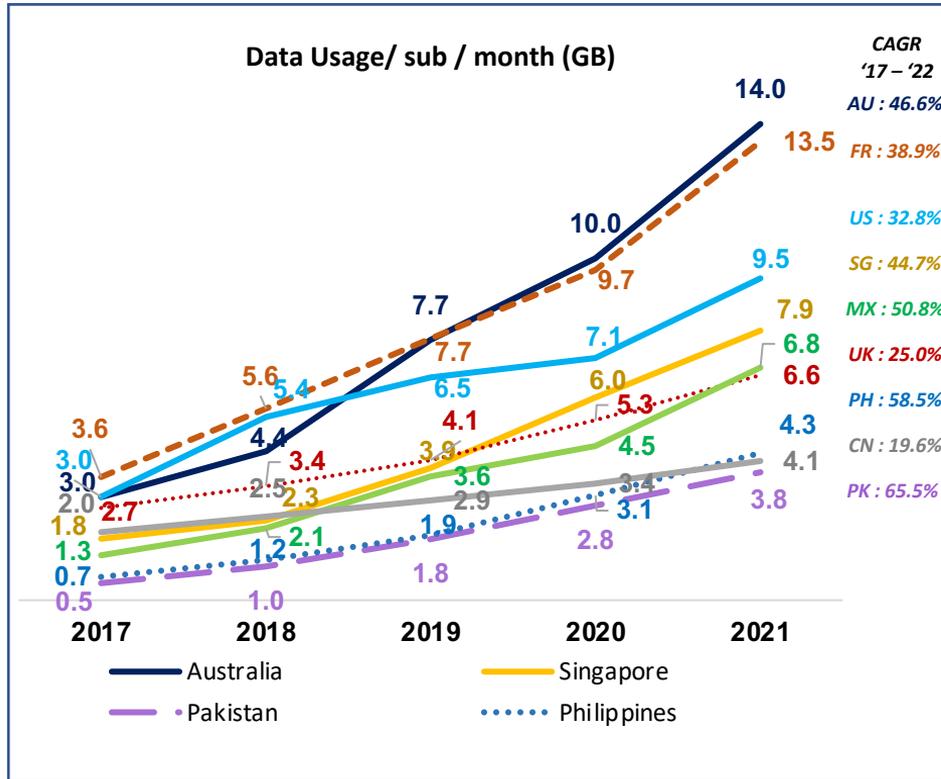
Exponential mobile traffic growth in recent years, but ARPU has been flattish or declining



Source : Axiata IR disclosures
 Data usage for Smart Axiata (Cambodia) is not disclosed

Source : GSMA Intelligence

Not just an issue in Axiata's footprint alone, the same trends also observed elsewhere



Source : OECD Database & Analysys Mason databub

Source : GSMA Intelligence

To cope with the increased traffic and optimize networks, several strategies are normally deployed

- **Site densification**

- Limited effectiveness in urban/metro areas
- Site-to-site minimal distance reached
- Higher energy/carbon footprint

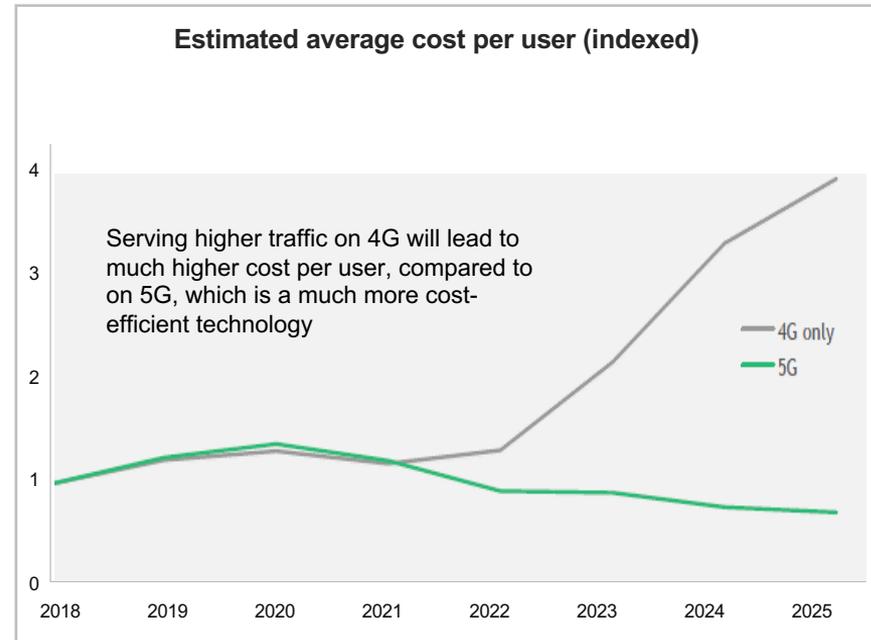
- **2G/3G Shutdowns**

- Optimizes technology
- Proven but likely short-term solution
- Consumer readiness is key concern

- **Shifting to 5G can allow a step-change in lowering cost of production**

- **Build more layers on new spectrum**

- Higher capex and complexity managing multiple RAN layer
- Ensure all harmonized IMT spectrum is made available



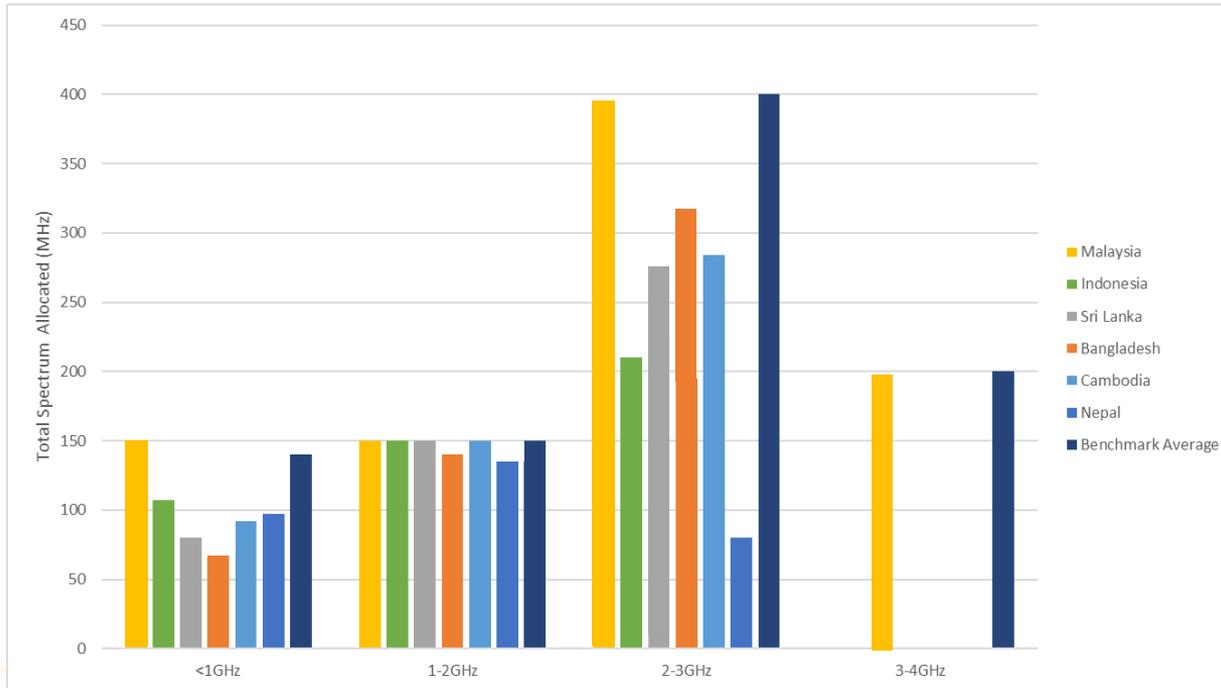
Note : Graph represents three-year moving average network spend

Source: Analysys Mason, Internal analysis, BCG Network Model



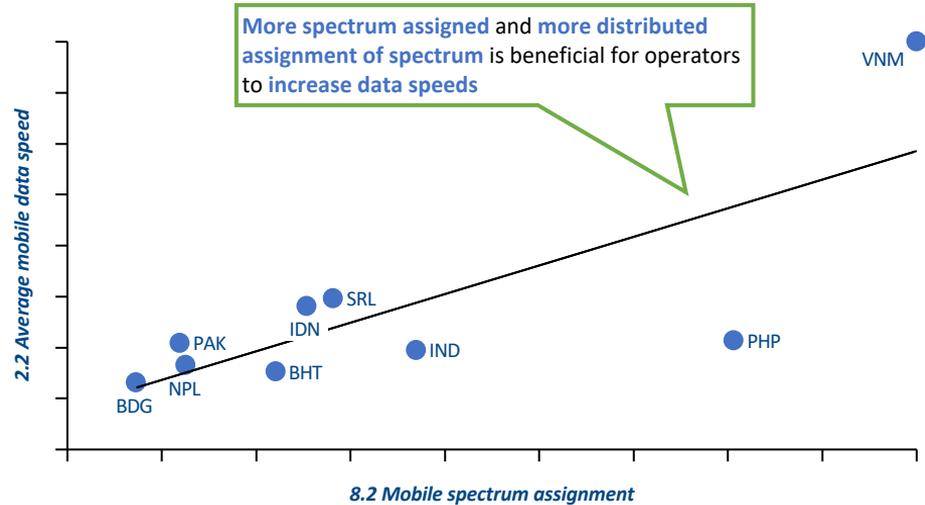
Availability of harmonized IMT spectrum: Axiata markets generally have lesser spectrum than benchmarks

Comparison of the total assigned spectrum in each Axiata market versus the average amount in the 10 benchmark countries in APAC.



More spectrum assigned facilitates increased data speeds for operators

Avg. mobile data speed¹ vs. Mobile spectrum assignment²



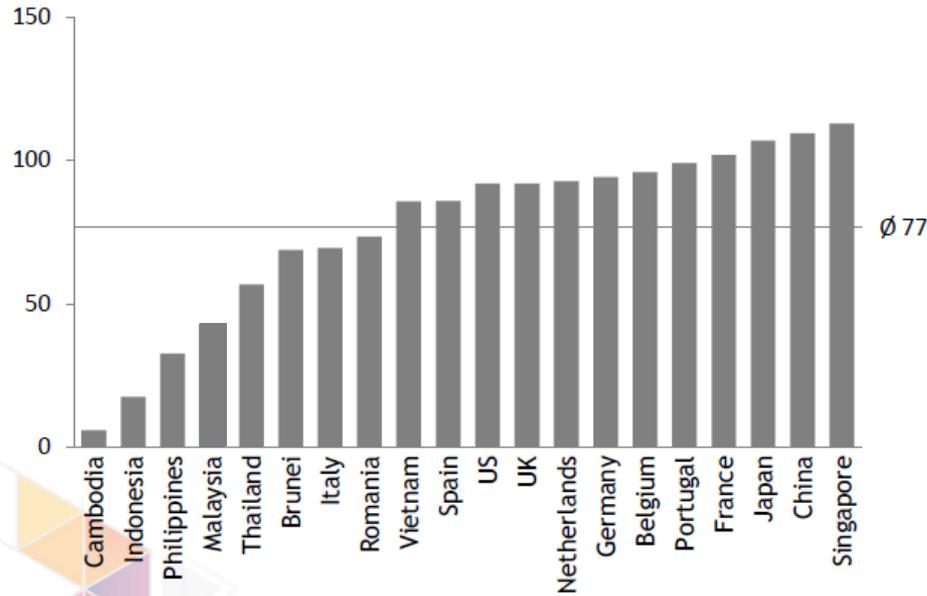
More spectrum assigned, distributed assignment of spectrum is highly beneficial to increase data speed

Source: Arthur D. Little analysis

1) Avg. mobile data speeds is measured using avg. mobile download speed, 2) Mobile spectrum assignment measures both amount of spectrum assigned and distribution of spectrum across operators

In mobile-first emerging markets, more spectrum, including for 5G could potentially enable cost-efficient fibre-like connectivity to homes and businesses

2020 Fixed BB Household Penetration(%)



Source: WBIS, Informa

ASIA

Telstra weaponizes 5G against NBN



News Analysis
ROBERT CLARK
1/19/2021

Telstra has thrown down the gauntlet on 5G – and NBN Co has picked it up. After months of foreshadowing a move into fixed wireless, the big operator unveiled its first 5G home service three months ago, promising to progressively expand its availability.

With downlink speeds of between 50Mbps and 300Mbps at around A\$85 (\$65.60), it's highly competitive against the copper-centric NBN (see [Telstra launches 5G fixed wireless](#)).

Now it's signaled it will double down. Regulator ACMA will hold its first mmWave auction in April, allowing each bidder to acquire up to 1GHz of the 26GHz band.

NBN v 5G: The broadband battle is about to heat up

By [Supratim Adhikari](#) and [Zoe Samios](#)
September 26, 2020 – 12:00am

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Source: Light Reading (19/1/21), SMH (11/12/21)





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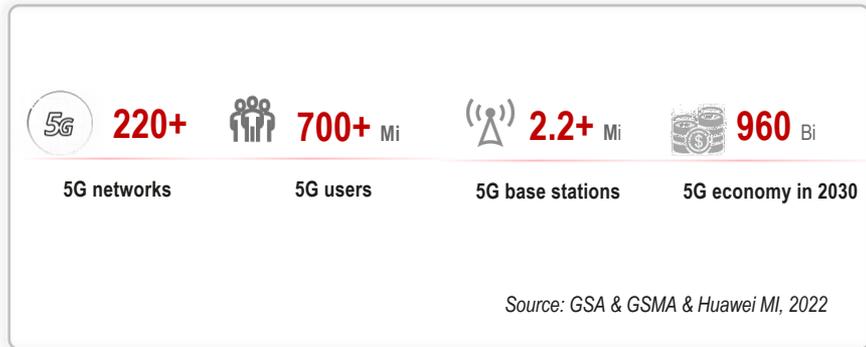
**Ecosystem and 5G
developments**

Harmonious Spectrum Strategy to Unlock the 5G Benefit



5G Era Has Come With Large-scale Networks And Mature Terminal Ecosystem

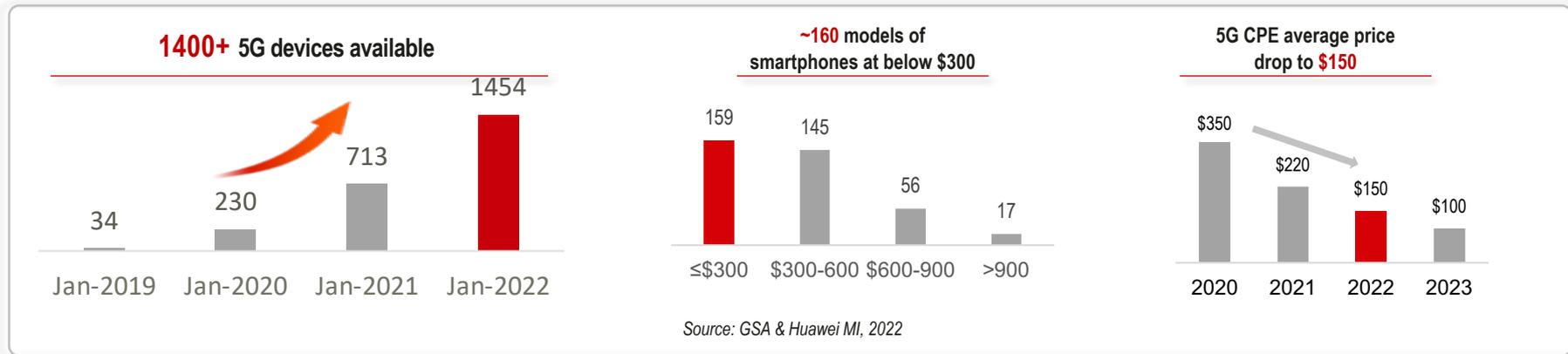
70+ countries have launched 5G service



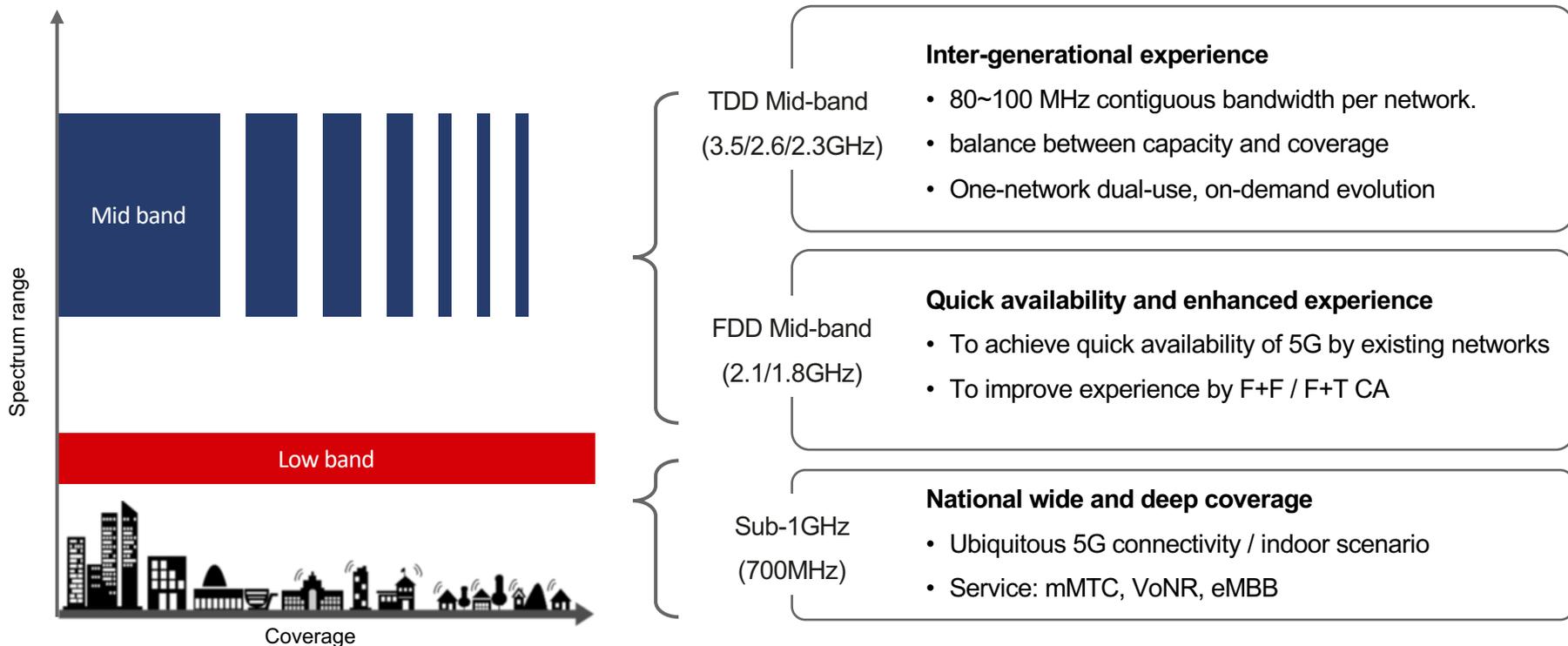
Mid-band become the preferred spectrum for 5G deployment



Mature ecosystem supports the rapid development of 5G



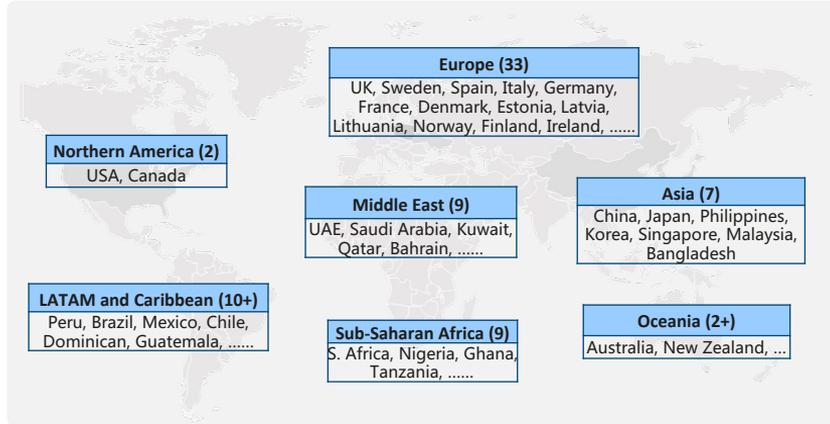
Spectrum Strategy Helps Accelerate 5G Deployment and Usage



Coordination of Mid-band and Low-band is the prime spectrum strategy for high-quality and ubiquitous 5G

C-band is the Most Selected Mid-Band for 5G Capacity

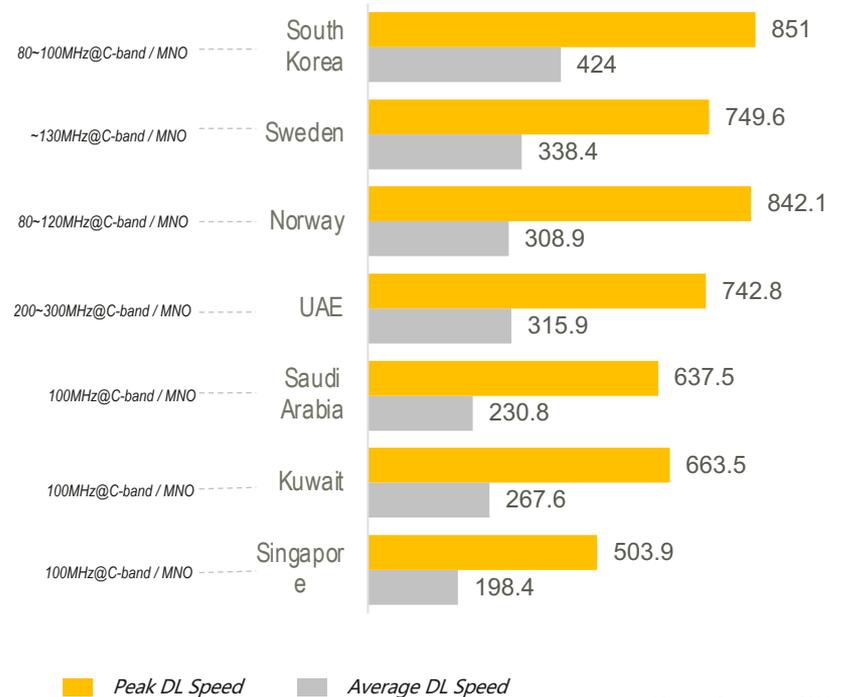
70+ countries/territories allocated C-band spectrum
209 5G networks deployed on C-band



976 devices support C-band (N78/N77), providing the most mature device ecosystem



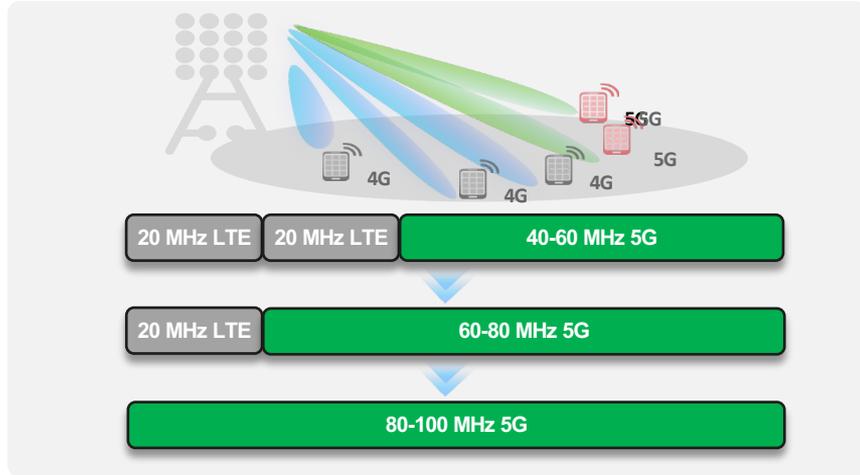
Intergenerational experience based on 80-100MHz + M-MIMO



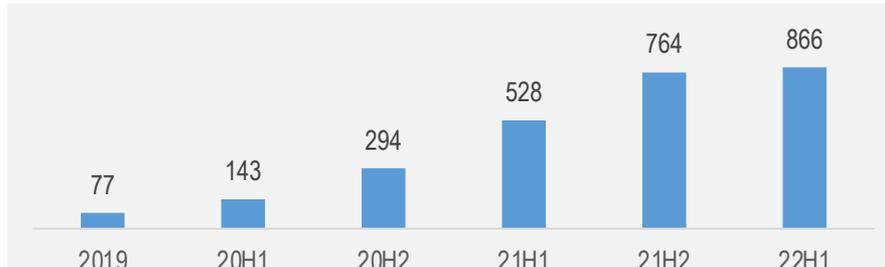
*Source: Opensignal, 2022

2.3 & 2.6GHz TDD are Primary with Advantages of 4/5G Sharing and Evolution

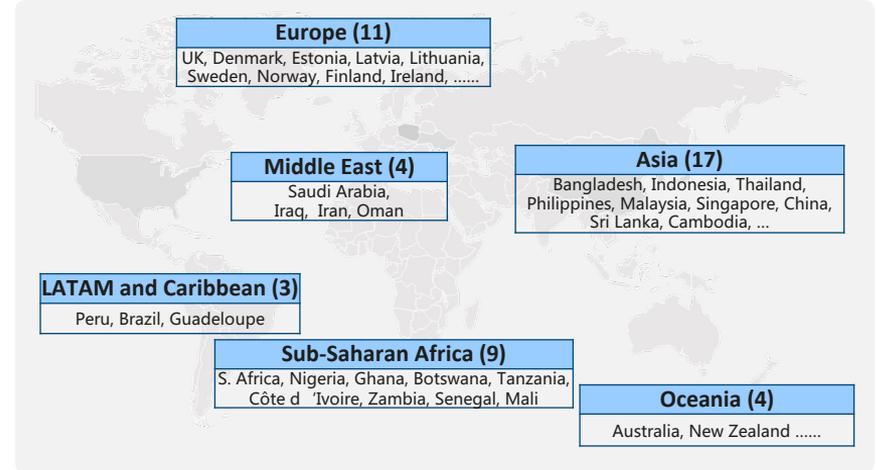
2.6/2.3GHz: DUAL services via ONE network



N41 2.6GHz has the similar scale of supporting devices with C-Band



2.3G: 73 operators in 49 countries/Areas acquired and deployed

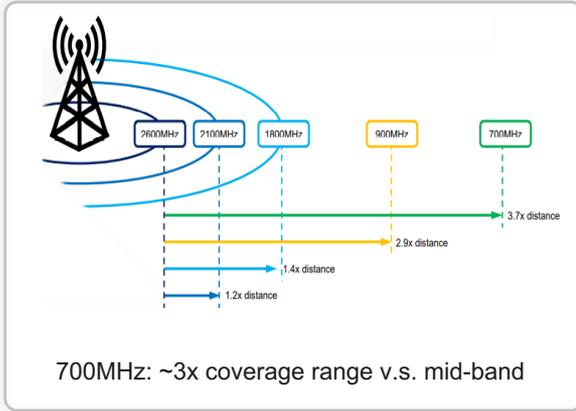


N40 2.3GHz devices grow fast with live network penetration of ~80%

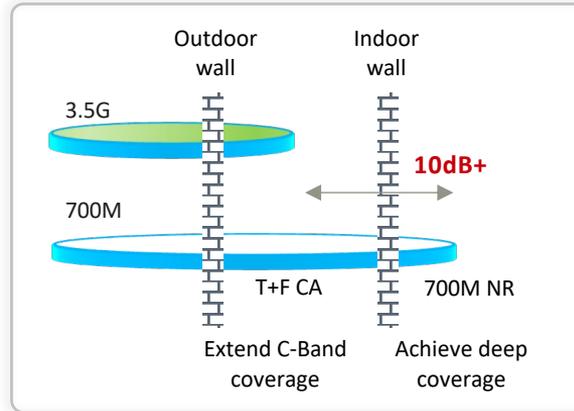


700MHz for Wide & Deep Coverage; 2.1/1.8GHz for 5G Quick ON

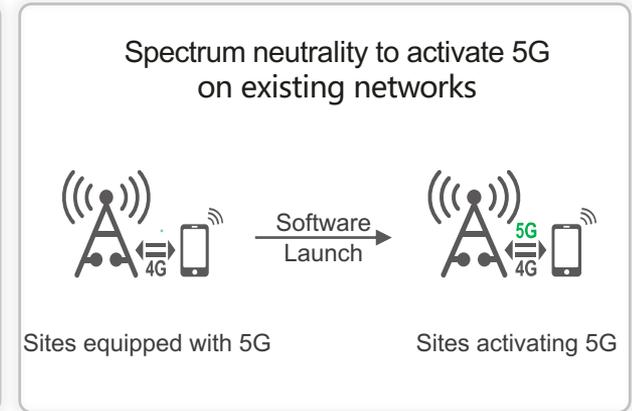
Wide Coverage



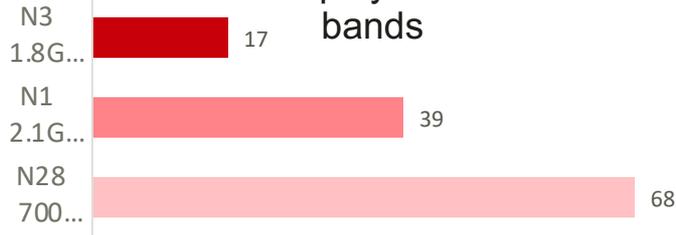
Deep Coverage



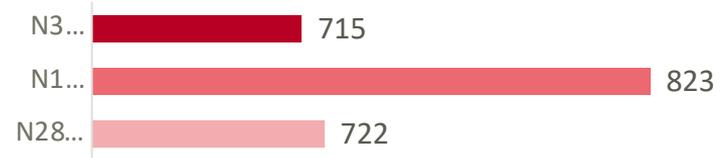
5G Quick On



Networks deployed on FDD NR bands

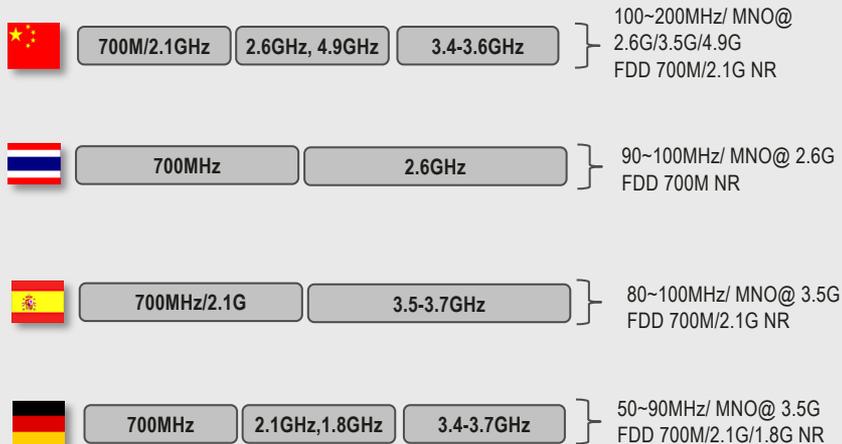


Terminal Devices that support FDD NR bands



Harmonious Spectrum Strategy to Unlock the 5G Benefit

Combine band solution for both coverage and capacity



- **3.5/2.6/2.3GHz** act as capacity band in **85%** 5G countries
- **700MHz** enables nationwide connectivity and deep coverage
- **2.1/1.8GHz** help 5G quick-on and enhances performance

Suggestions on 5G Spectrum Provisioning

①

Primary bands: TDD **3.5/2.6/2.3GHz**, FDD **700MHz** which are most supported by devices

②

At least **80-100 MHz/MNO contiguous spectrum** @ mid-band for capacity

③

Technology neutrality for smooth evolution to 5G

④

Affordable spectrum cost, giving full play to the enabling role of 5G for socio-economic benefit

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