The Wireless Planet

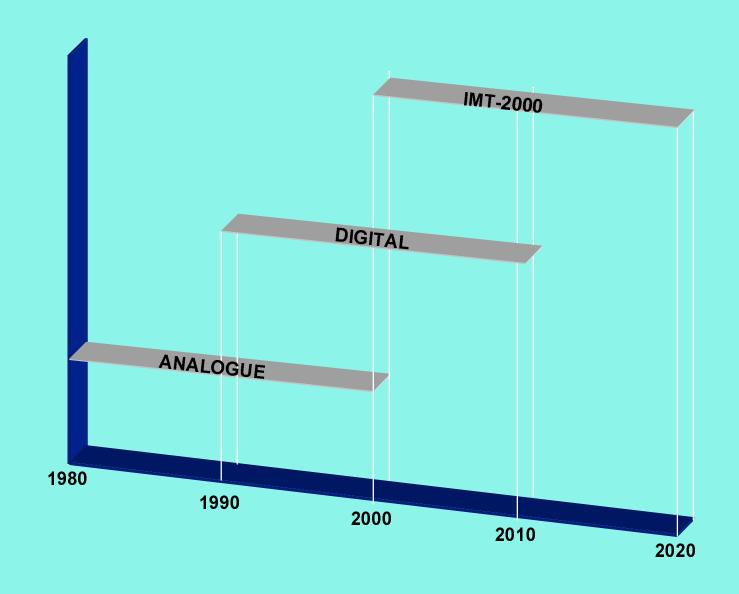
Moving Toward a Wireless Information Society

IMT-2000 Standardization in ITU





Evolution of Mobile Standards





IMT-2000

- IMT-2000 is an initiative of the T. It will provide wireless access to the global telecommunication infrastructure through both satellite and terrestrial systems, serving fixed and mobile users in public and private networks.
- The ITU vision of global wireless access in the 21st century, including mobile and fixed access, *IMT* is aimed at providing direction to the many related technological developments in this area to assist the convergence of these essentially competing wireless

IMT-2000 Objectives

- GLOBAL SERVICE CAPABILITIES IN 2000s
- TERRESTRIAL & SATELLITE COMPONENTS
- FLEXIBLE/SEAMLESS SERVICE PROVISION
- WIDER RANGE OF SERVICES/TERMINALS
- FIXED/MOBILE & PUBLIC/PRIVATE CONVERGENCE
- IMPROVED OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY
 - > REDUCE THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS GAP <

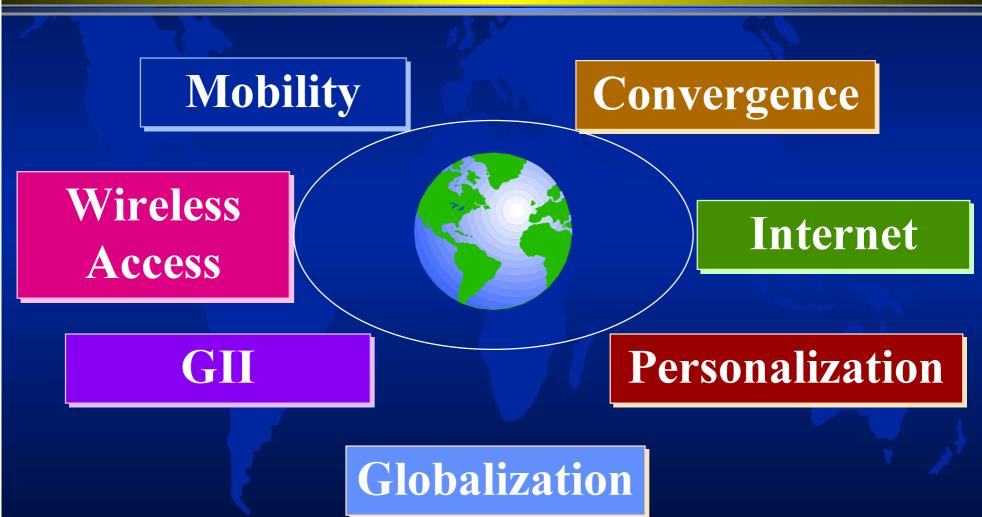
Need for IMT-2000

Demand for Global Service

Demand for Multimedia Services (N-ISDN, Internet)



Industry & Society



INDUSTRY CONVERGENGE

BROADCASTING

INFORMATION

IT INDUSTRY

- Internet access
- Electronic mail
- Real-time image transfer
- Multimedia document transfer
- Mobile computing

Multimedia

Interoperability

BROADCASTING INDUSTRY

- Video on demand
- Interactive video services
- Infotainment
- Value-added Internet services
- TV & radio contribution

TELECOMMUNICATION INDUSTRY

COMMUNICATION

3G Roles



Regional Standards Bodies

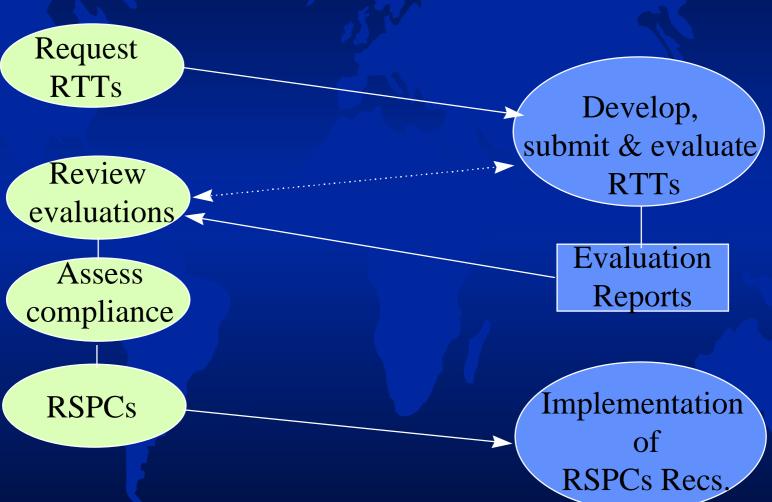
- World-wide spectrum coordination
- Policy/regulatory harmonization
- International standards for IMT-2000, including key access and network interfaces
- Provide foundation, framework and catalyst for 3G convergence across Regions and technologies

- Teamwork with the ITU in development of IMT-2000 standards
- Harmonize regional input contributions to the ITU
- Develop specific regional requirements within the IMT-2000 Family of Systems
- Evolve regional pre-IMT-2000 standards towards IMT-2000 capabilities

IMT-2000 RADIO INTERFACE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Inside ITU

Outside ITU



CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

- Coexistence with 2G systems
- Vendors' desire for IPR advantage
- Negotiating agreements between Regional/technology-based "camps"
- Intensity/diversity of 3G standards activities is stretching scarce resources
- ITU consensus building can be a catalyst for win/win convergence
- Operators' agreement on value of convergence is key to success

Road to IMT-2000



Industry

Standards
Organizations
(National & Regional)

ITU global standards

Regulators

Harmonized spectrum



Interactive consensus building

TEAM EFFORT

CONCLUSION

- ◆ ITU/SDOs 'Team'
- Radio convergence: key to realizing cost reduction/3G market growth
- Significant challenges remain to be overcome but a "window of opportunity" exists
- Operators' commitment to convergence needed: to ensure "window" is not missed

Follow IMT-2000 standards progress on :

http://www.itu.int/imt/

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