

Group of operators' common vision and priorities for Next Generation Radio Technology

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5G technical study phase

5G RAN WGs Technical Studies shall start from March 2016:

- Study and target support for eMBB, uMTC, mMTC and other uses cases, aiming to define at least Stage 2 specifications for all of them in phase 1 specification.
- It is too premature at this stage to prioritize some use cases over the others
- The study shall cover all deployment environments: indoor, urban, rural, high speed, etc.
- 5G RAN WG studies should also cover functions required for network slicing: e.g Network Functions Virtualization, functional decomposition of RAN functions, ...

All use cases & deployment environments shall be addressed sufficiently

- to ensure forward compatibility with phase 2 and beyond
- Relevant features to be specified in the first phase should be decided **ONLY** at the end of the RAN WGs technical studies, accounting for the market demand for 2020 and the results of the RAN WGs studies

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Spectrum

- National licences for bands above 6GHz will not be allocated in many countries until 2021-2022 at the earliest. The RAN technical studies should cover support for bands below 6 GHz, both for FDD and TDD

5G air interface performance evaluation

- It is key to evaluate the gains of potential new 5G air interface(s) against LTE-A evolutions & CIoT
 - proposed baseline: LTE Rel-13+ = LTE Rel-13 + results of feasibility studies performed in the framework of Rel-13

5G design recommendations

5G key design principles include:

- Forward compatibility with radio protocol L1/2/3 structures and functionalities required for future services (including phase 2 and beyond)
- Energy efficiency should be a fundamental design principle
- Enhanced security and privacy design
- Cost efficiency
- Tight interworking with LTE (including e.g. bandwidth aggregation, seamless mobility)
- Fixed Mobile Convergence with seamless user experience