

The essential role of technology standards

Driving interoperability, ecosystem
development, and future innovation

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Agenda

- The value of standards
- Standards in mobile devices
- Cellular: demystifying 3GPP
- WLAN: Wi-Fi
- WPAN: Bluetooth

Collaborating across the global wireless ecosystem

- Constantly advancing foundational innovations
- Enabling new capabilities at rapid pace
- Collaborations across ecosystem enables a vibrant, growing market





The value of standards

Why leadership in standards is important

The communications industry is based on technology standards

Standards are essential for commercializing new technologies

Ensuring inter-vendor system interoperability

Spurring transparent and fair industry competition



Technology standardization is key for an openly competitive ecosystem

Communications industry is based on technology standards

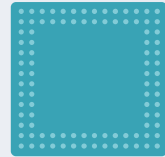


Standards create significant value for the wireless ecosystem

Industry leaders contribute to technology standards

Better, quicker-to-market products

Communications standards are very complex in nature; thus, leadership in designing technology standards goes hand in hand with leadership in product development



Standards leadership



Valuable intellectual property (IP)

When inventions are contributed to standards, they become available to everyone in the ecosystem; therefore, it is important to have a solid IP framework that adequately incentivizes inventors to contribute their innovation to standards bodies

Driving technology forward with new functionalities and efficiencies, fostering healthy market growth that benefits the broader ecosystem



What are the ingredients of a successful standard?



We participate in

~200 global

standards and industry organizations

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Standards in mobile devices

Complex systems that require global interoperability

Also broadly applicable across device categories and industries

Cellular connectivity

3GPP, ATIS, TIA, ETSI, TTA, TTC, ETRI, ARIB, CCSA, TSDSI, GCF, PTCRB, FCC, GSMA, GSA, CCF, RED, Future Forum, 5G Forum, CTIA

WLAN & WPAN connectivity

IEEE, WFA, WBA, WAPI Alliance, Bluetooth SIG, NFC forum

Emergency & location services

Galileo, 3GPP, ATIS, CCSA, CEN CENELEC, CSRIC, ETSI, GUTMA, OMA

Security and local content protection

ETSI-SCP, GlobalPlatform, Eurosmart, JHAS-SOGIS, TCA, GSMA, JEDEC, EMVCo, TCG



Multimedia services

MPEG, 3GPP, Khronos Group, INCITS, DASH-IF, DVB, CTA WAVE, ATSC, SMPTE, AIS, IVAS



Semiconductor manufacturing

Si2, Accellera, UEFI, GSA, FlexTech, LTAB, CSIA



Wired connectivity

MIPI Alliance, JEDEC, NVMe, PCI-SIG, USB-IF, DMTF, VESA, UHD Alliance, HDMI, RISC-V, xHCI



AI processor

MLPerf/ML-Commons, FIDO, SAE, Khronos, MPEG, NIST, ISO/IEC SC42

And many others...

Many standardized components and interfaces in a smartphone

ITS/V2X
5GAA, 3GPP, SAE International V2X SC, ETSI TC ITS, IEEE 1609 WG, CAICV, OmniAir Consortium, CAMP, CCSA, C-SAE, NTCAS, ITS America, ERTICO, C-ITS, ITS Forum, ISO TC 204, NEMA



ADAS/Automated Driving

ISO TC 22, SAE International ORAD Committee, ISO TC 204 WG 14, IEEE 2846 WG, IEEE 2851 WG, Accellera Functional Safety WG, Khronos Group Safety Critical WG, 5G ADA



Telematics/Infotainment

CCC, WFA Automotive Market Segment TG, AGL, AEC, AESIN, AEIA



Vehicle Security

SAE International Vehicle Electrical System Security and Vehicle Cybersecurity Systems Engineering Committees, Auto-ISAC



And many others...

Standardized technology across components and interfaces in automotive



Cellular standards

The heart of the mobile ecosystem – leading standards development and the ecosystem expansion

Cellular has revolutionized the way we communicate

From voice only to a plethora of new services that our lives depend on today (e.g., smartphone)

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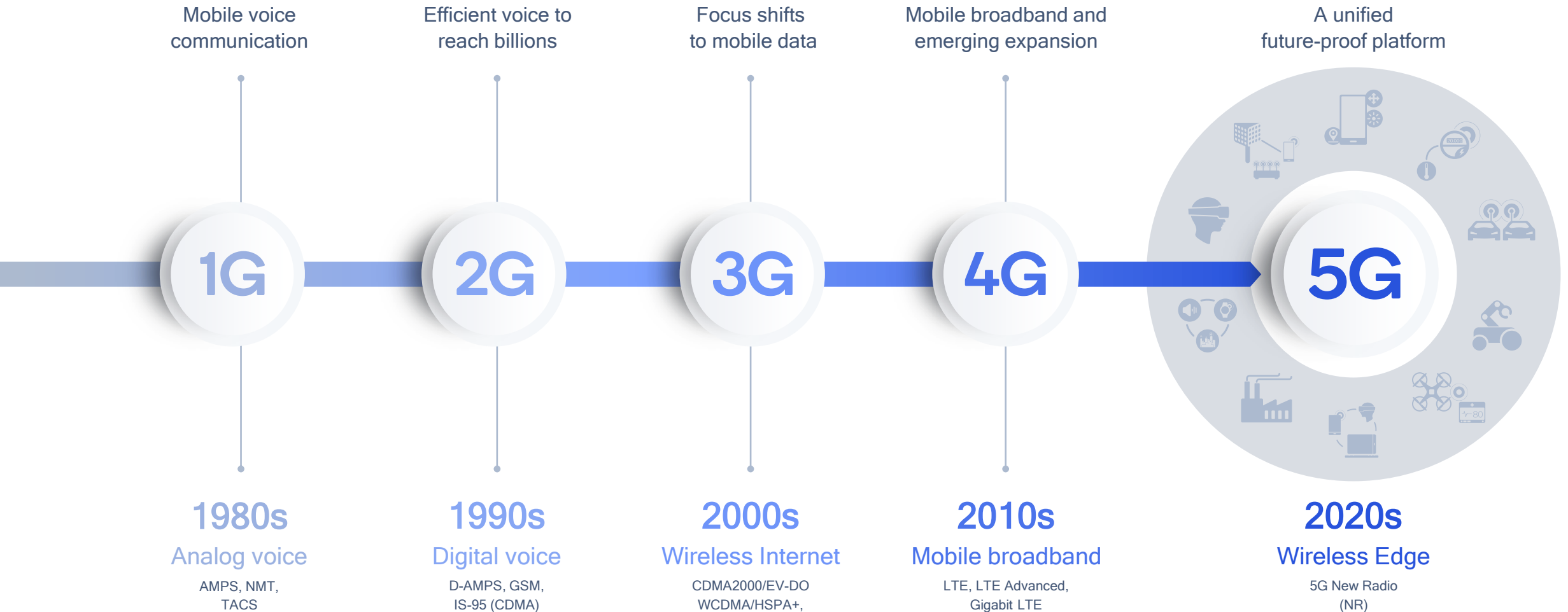


8.9B

mobile subscriptions
by 2025

Mobile has made a leap every ~10 years

Continuous innovation between “G”



3GPP drives global cellular standards

2G, 3G, 4G and 5G



* Source: 3GPP Mobile Competence Centre (3GPP Support Team) Summary Report from RAN#86 (RP-192371); Including 3G/4G/5G Release 99/4/5/6/7/8/9/10/11/12/13/14/15/16

Member-driven organization

Relies on R&D and tech inventions from members, e.g., 'contributions'

Collaborative engineering effort

Consensus-based, tech-driven effort across 100s of entities

Distributed work-flow

Scale/complexity requires division of work into smaller, specialized pieces

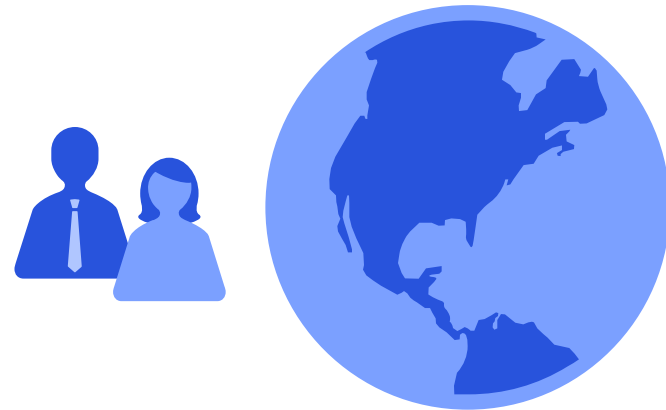
Global events leading to new standardization challenges

Ripple effects of COVID: more remote participation allowed, real decisions happen in face-to-face meetings



Geopolitical tensions disrupting in person participation of key standards members

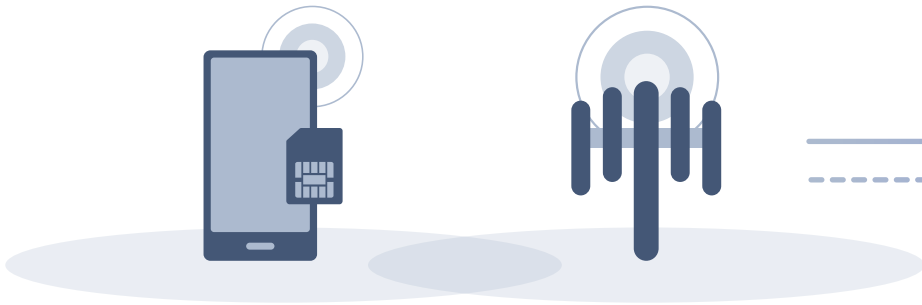
- Obtaining US visas
- Organizing meetings in Taiwan



3GPP defines complete end-to-end system specifications

Radio Access Network (RAN)

Implements radio access technology, e.g., 5G NR, LTE, managing radio link to connect UEs to networks



User Equipment (UEs)

Devices, e.g., smartphones and all types of IoT devices that connect to services via radio access technology

Core Network (CN)

Manages macro-mobility, sessions, quality of service, policies, security, and routes traffic to outside world, e.g., Internet, or local intranet



Services

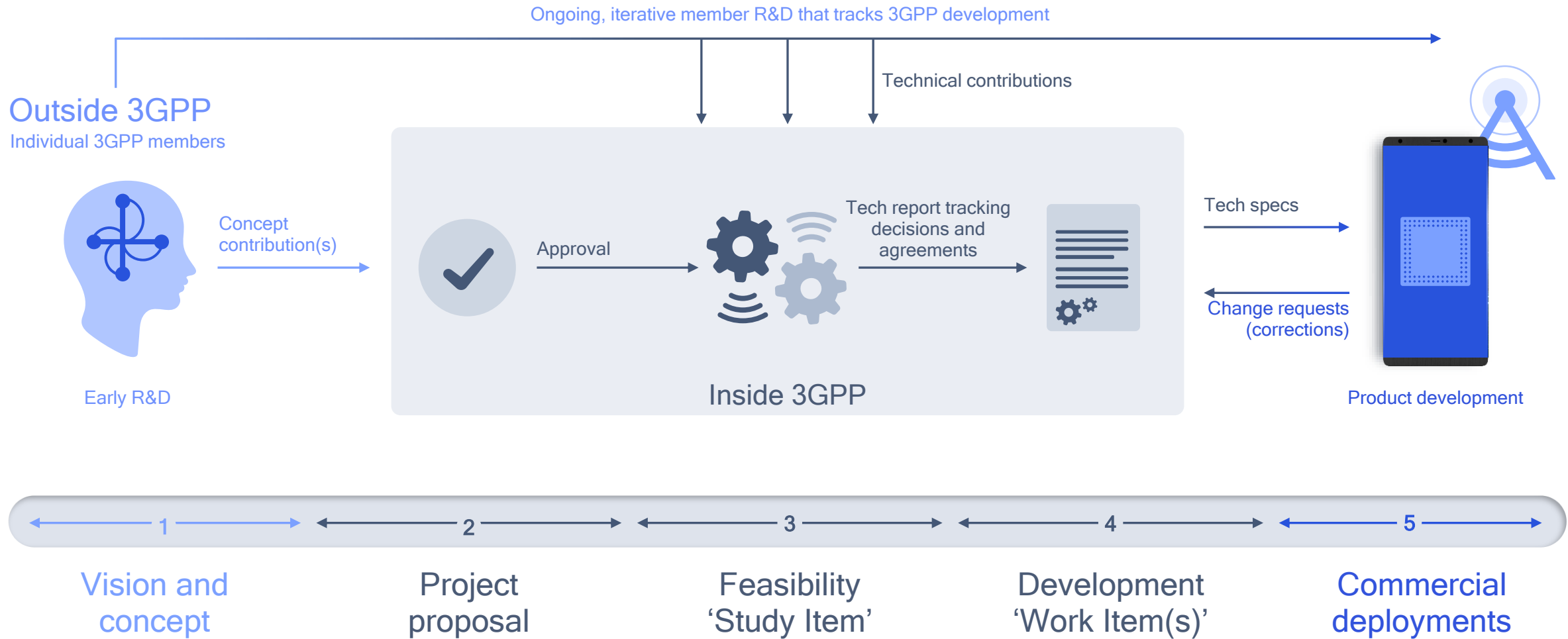
Framework for service delivery architecture, multimedia, billing, charging, etc.

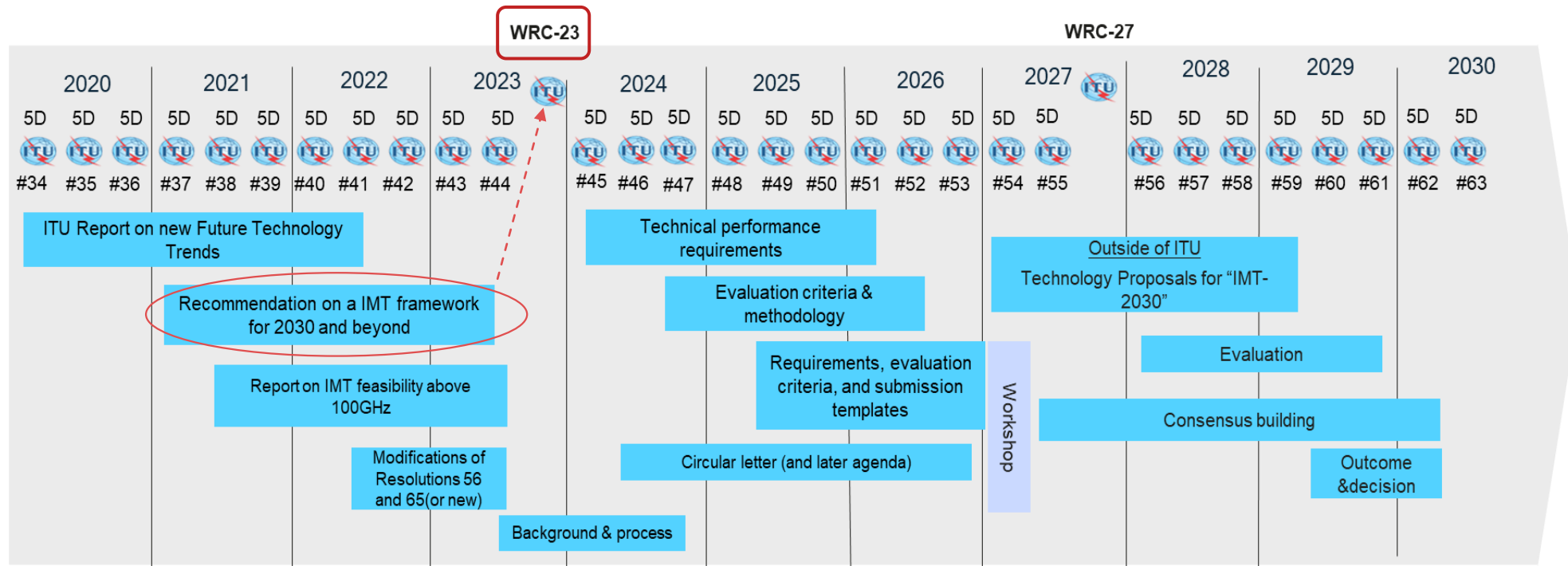
Test Requirements

Defines performance and conformance test procedures to ensure interoperability used for certification (e.g., GCF)

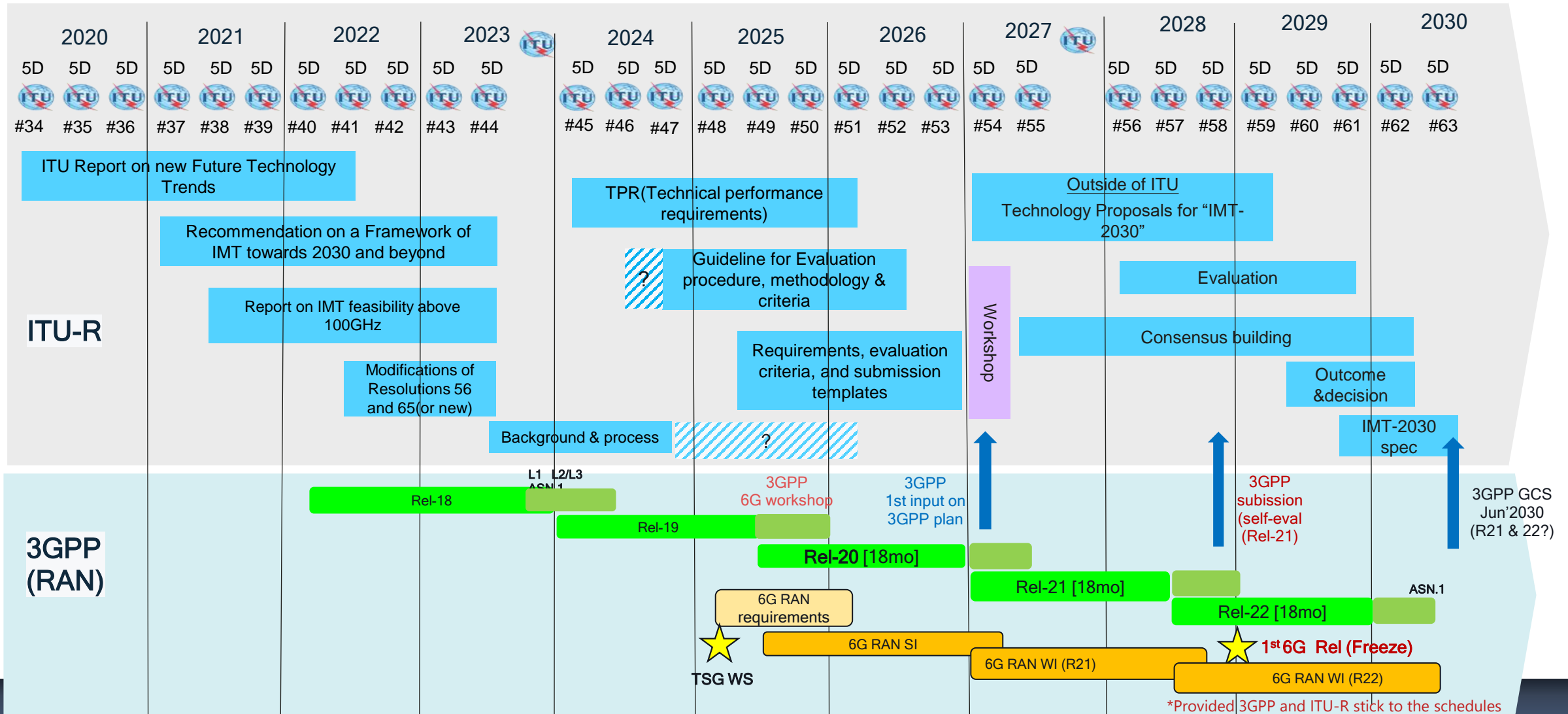
This large scope requires division of work into smaller, specialized working groups in 3GPP

A typical workflow in 3GPP





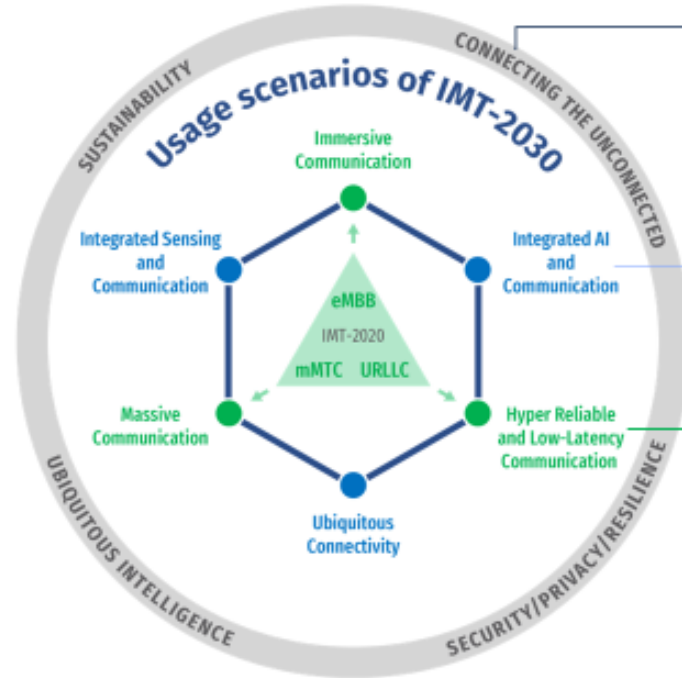
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IMT-2030 Usage Scenarios

General



Usage scenarios and overarching aspects of IMT-2030

- Overarching aspects
 - Distinguishing design principles commonly applicable to all usage scenarios
 - Sustainability, security/privacy/resilience, connecting the unconnected, ubiquitous intelligence
- Usage Scenarios: 5 Communications and 1 Connectivity
 - **3 enhanced** usage scenarios
 - **Mostly** requires enhanced capabilities/KPI (communication)
 - Immersive Communication
 - Hyper Reliable and Low-Latency Communication
 - Massive Communication
 - **3 new** usage scenarios
 - enhanced capabilities/KPI (communication) for IMT-2030 + New capabilities of IMT-2030
 - Integrated Artificial Intelligence and Communication
 - Integrated Sensing and Communication
 - Ubiquitous Connectivity: presently uncovered or scarcely covered areas, particularly rural, remote and sparsely populated areas

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The road to 6G

IMT-2030 Capabilities

General

Capabilities of IMT-2030

NOTE: The range of values given for capabilities are estimated targets for research and investigation of IMT-2030.



- Range: shown in figure
- Example: peak data rate, user experienced data rate, spectrum efficiency, area traffic capacity
- Description only: coverage, sensing related capabilities, AI related capability, sustainability, interoperability

- 6 New capabilities
 - Coverage, Positioning, Sensing-related capabilities, AI-related capabilities, Sustainability, Interoperability

- 9 Enhanced capabilities

- Range of values or example values for some capabilities instead of single value

- General description only (no KPI value) for some capabilities, Details would be defined in detail in TPR (Technical Performance Requirements, year of 2024-2025) phase

- Explicit description: estimated targets for research and investigation

The range of values given for capabilities are estimated targets for research and investigation of IMT-2030. All values in the range have equal priority in research and investigation. For each usage scenario, a single or multiple values within the range would be developed in future in other ITU-R Recommendations/Reports. These values may further depend on certain parameters and assumptions including, but not limited to, frequency range, bandwidth, and deployment scenario. Further these values for the capabilities apply only to some of the usage scenarios and may not be reached simultaneously in a specific usage scenario.

The road to 6G



Wi-Fi Standards

Driving the technology evolution of
wireless local area networking

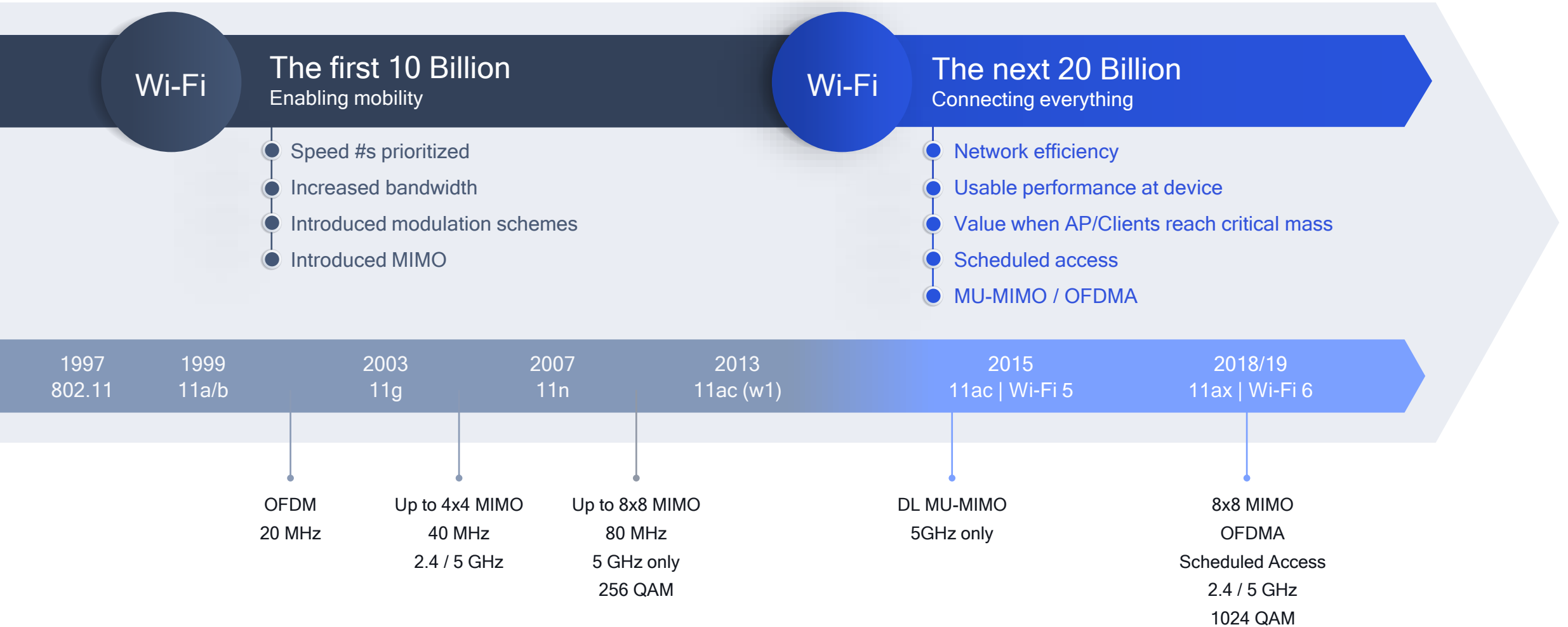
Wi-Fi has revolutionized the way we access the internet

Cutting-the-wire for a wide range of devices – PCs, tablets, TVs, smartphones, etc...



Evolving networks from speed to capacity

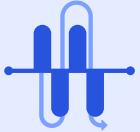
Core technology evolution and Qualcomm Technologies leadership



IEEE 802.11 Working Groups



Develops and maintains backward compatible global MAC and PHY standards



Defines spectrum use for Wi-Fi: 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz, 6 GHz, 60 GHz, and sub-1 GHz unlicensed bands



Releases key MAC and PHY performance upgrades with 4-6 year cadence

Industry standards

Symbiotic relationship since 1999

Feedback on standards and market requirements

Wi-Fi Alliance (WFA)



Develops test plans, manage interoperability test programs, and organizes industry plug fests



Develops industry specifications complementary to IEEE standards



Conducts regulatory advocacy for Wi-Fi technologies

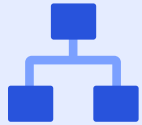


Drives Wi-Fi technology marketing activities

IEEE 802.11 Working Groups



Actively drives Wi-Fi technology standardization process



Holds key leadership positions in working/task groups, e.g., 802.11 Vice Chair, 802.11be Chair, etc.



Leads in quality contributions to Wi-Fi standards (e.g., 802.11ax)

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Wi-Fi Alliance (WFA)



Consistently selected to be part of industry interoperability testbeds



Holds key leadership positions on the Board of Directors (since 2008) and WFA task groups



Received “Wi-Fi Alliance 2020 Industry Impact Award” and “Outstanding Leadership and Contribution” awards for sponsor members in multiple years

We are committed in pushing standardized Wi-Fi technology forward

Multiple generations of successful global Wi-Fi standards



1 PAR (Project Approval Request) approval; 2 SASB (Standards Association Standards Board) approval

A rich history of leading key Wi-Fi innovations

Advanced R&D | Standardization | Successful commercialization



802.11g

Drove OFDM into the 802.11g standard
Implemented OFDM in 1st commercial CMOS 5GHz product¹, then rapidly ported to 2.4 GHz
Enabled successful proliferation of 802.11g that greatly expanded the Wi-Fi ecosystem



Wi-Fi Mesh

Pioneered multi access point (AP) technology
Led contributions to the Wi-Fi EasyMesh industry specification



Wi-Fi 5: 802.11ac

Drove MU-MIMO – the foundational technology – into the 802.11ac standard
Proved to the ecosystem on the viability and value of MU-MIMO for Wi-Fi systems



Wi-Fi 6: 802.11ax

Drove key UL OFDMA and UL MU-MIMO designs into the 802.11ax standards
Developed synchronized AP scheduling, trigger-based OFDMA and MU-MIMO

Continued leadership in IEEE and WFA



Wi-Fi 4: 802.11n

MIMO-OFDM (spatial multiplexing) and transmit beamforming
Implemented MIMO-OFDM system architecture for mass market products² (e.g., PCs, routers)
Drove the success of “pre-standard” MIMO products



802.11ad / ay

Pioneered mmWave beam forming & antenna designs
Delivered the highest performing mmWave implementation, proving the viability of mmWave
Drove mmWave into the 802.11ad and brought wider bandwidths via channel bonding in 802.11ay



802.11ah

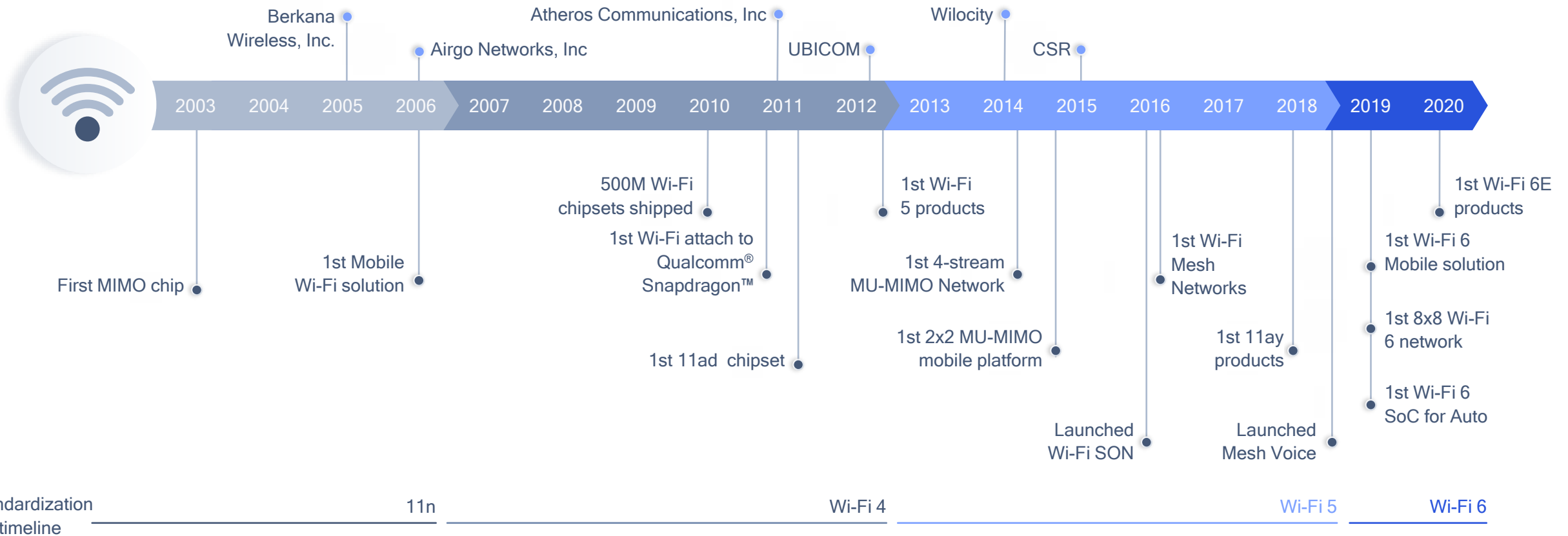
Drove key technologies enabling extended range, small battery operation and low-power for Wi-Fi operating in sub-1 GHz
Facilitated opening of spectrum for 802.11ah sensors in Europe

Nominal work on Wi-Fi 7 / 802.11be is just starting

¹ Based on 802.11a; ² Including Airgo, Atheros, and Wilocity

Our historical Wi-Fi pedigree

- Acquisitions
- Product milestones



4B+ Wi-Fi chips shipped since 2015



Bluetooth®

Bluetooth Standards

Connecting wireless
personal area networks

Driving the technology evolution and commercial success



Founded in 1998

Bluetooth

Special Interest Group (SIG)

14

Working Groups (WG)¹

80

Active specification projects



Technology standardization

~15 promoter/associate members are currently actively contributing to Core WG meetings to evolve Bluetooth specifications²



Product qualification

World-class programs that drive product interoperability, and give access to technology and trademark licensing



Brand promotion

Campaigns to increase the awareness, understanding, and adoption of Bluetooth technology

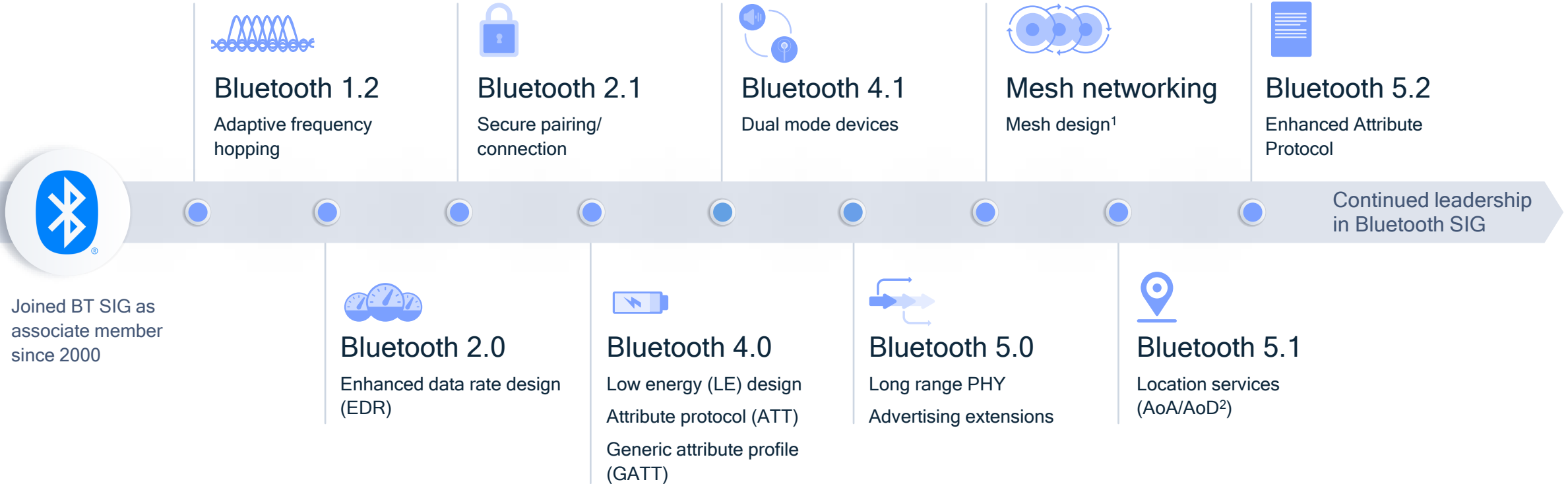
Source: Bluetooth SIG Market Update 2020;

¹ Audio/Telephony/Auto, Automation, Core Specification, Direction Finding, Discovery of Things, Easy Pairing, Generic Audio, Hearing Aid, HID, Internet, Medical Devices, Mesh, PUID, Sports and Fitness

² Based on 6 months attendance records, analysis done in June 2020

A rich history of leading key Bluetooth innovations

Advanced R&D | Standardization | Successful commercialization



Also actively involved in creation/revisions of various Bluetooth SIG processes (e.g., Bluetooth Specification Development Process, Qualification Process)

¹ As part of Mesh Networking specifications v1.0 first adopted on July 13, 2017; ² Angle of Arrival/Departure

Leading the way in Bluetooth SIG

Working Group/committee leadership and participation

Current working groups

Core Specification (CSWG) – **Chair**

Generic Audio (GAWG) – **Chair**

Bluetooth Test and Interoperability (BTI) – **Chair**

Automotive, Telephony, Audio (ATA)

Mesh

Current committees

Bluetooth Architecture Review Board (BARB)

Bluetooth Qualification Review Board (BQRB)

Bluetooth (Qualification) Technical Advisory Board (BTAB)

Past leadership positions

Board member: 2012-2014 (CSR), 2014-2016 (Qualcomm)

Chairs or vice chairs: BARB, BQRB, Regulatory, ATA, Automation, Mesh, Internet, HID, HCI, Radio Improvements

Contributing member: Regulatory, Automation, Direction Finding, HID, Internet, Medical Devices, PUID, Sports and Fitness, HCI, Radio Improvements

Key recognitions for our leadership role

✓ Awarded “Outstanding Technical Contributor” in 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015 (x2), 2016, 2017 (x3)

✓ Awarded “Working Group and Committee Chair of the Year” in 2010, 2018, 2019

✓ Awarded “Bluetooth Core Specification Team Award” in 2014, 2016

✓ Inducted to “Bluetooth Hall of Fame” in 2017 (x2), 2010, 2011

Backup

Text from a physical layer specification

TS 38.212 v15.0 - NR

Section on Channel Coding

[Polar Code Ceremony](#)

[Standards Engineer Recognition](#)

5.3 Channel coding

Usage of coding scheme for the different types of TrCH is shown in table 5.3-1. Usage of coding scheme for the different control information types is shown in table 5.3-2.

Table 5.3-1: Usage of channel coding scheme and coding rate for TrCHs

TrCH	Coding scheme
UL-SCH	LDPC
DL-SCH	
PCH	
BCH	Polar code

Table 5.3-2: Usage of channel coding scheme and coding rate for control information

Control Information	Coding scheme
DCI	Polar code
UCI	Block code
	Polar code

5.3.1 Polar coding

The bit sequence input for a given code block to channel coding is denoted by $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_{K-1}$, where K is the number of bits to encode. After encoding the bits are denoted by $d_0, d_1, d_2, \dots, d_{N-1}$, where $N = 2^n$ and the value of n is determined by the following:

Denote by E the rate matching output sequence length as given in Subclause 5.4.1;

If $E \leq (9/8) \cdot 2^{\lceil \log_2 E \rceil - 1}$ and $K/E < 9/16$

$$n_1 = \lceil \log_2 E \rceil - 1;$$

else

$$n_1 = \lceil \log_2 E \rceil;$$

end if

$$R_{\min} = 1/8;$$

$$n_2 = \lceil \log_2 (K / R_{\min}) \rceil;$$

$$n = \max\{\min\{n_1, n_2, n_{\max}\}, n_{\min}\}$$

where $n_{\min} = 5$.

Example of Chairman minutes

3GPP TSG RAN WG2 #67bis

12 - 16 October 2009, Miyazaki, Japan

- [R2-095920](#) RLC UM ciphering problem recovery Nokia Corporation, Nokia Siemens Networks Disc REL-8 RInImp8-CsHspa
- Samsung asks how much this issue happens in the field. Samsung considers the problem may happen in the DL because of the dissociation between RNC and NB but in the UL it should be extremely rare because RLC/MAC are co-located.
 - Samsung assumes voice will be transmitted using NS-grants but the packet won't be transmitted from UE side if UE doesn't have enough power, hence RLC won't create a PDU.
 - Interdigital considers minimum set could be set such that the packet would be always transmitted and then in power limited conditions the UE will lose the packets.
 - Qualcomm asks if for voice packets the UE won't anyways create the packets. Samsung considers this depends on UE implementation. UE implementation could be set in a way that RLC PDUs aren't created.
 - Nokia thinks this is an issue because then NW cannot know what UE will do.
 - Samsung thinks that could be solved more easily by indicating in the spec that UE should not create those packets. Nokia points out it cannot be guaranteed there isn't an UL problem.
 - Vdf considers UE wouldn't know if HARQ drops the packet at the end of the transmission.
 - Samsung asks if it can be seen in the field that 128 packets are lost consecutively.
 - Interdigital considers that for other types of implementations the issue will occur.
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- Samsung agrees the issue can occur for DL and it can be solved by UE implementations.
 - For UL, Samsung considers that UE can solve this but NW can decide to solve the problem but through NW implementation specific solution like the trying other HFNs; as this will recover packet loss.
 - DL resolution: UE specific?
 - Vdf wants to know what the solution is and be convinced that it works.
 - Samsung considers in this case, detection of the issue can be done in UE through trying HFNs and UE can report through cell update confirm addition.
 - Vdf would like that detection of the issue should be discussed.
 - Nokia points out in this case there is no guarantee that all UEs will be able to detect the issue.
 - Alu considers the proposal E by Nokia is preferred.
 - Infineon considers that the cell update improvement will only be useful if HFN has incremented by more than one wrap-around
 - The group agrees with proposal 1: there is an issue to solve.
 - Nokia to report after coffee break on the status:
 - the group agrees with proposal 2
 - whether the detection mechanism should be specified if FFS
- Way forward:
- agree RRC CR in principle
 - The CR had been submitted at the last meeting.
 - Tdoc for the CR is [R2-096082](#)
 - Finalize detection discussion at the next meeting. The discussion can continue by email
 - Email discussion to discuss detection mechanism (for DL)
 - to address CsoHS case or also other cases
 - How much it should be specified