## Business Models in Mobile TV

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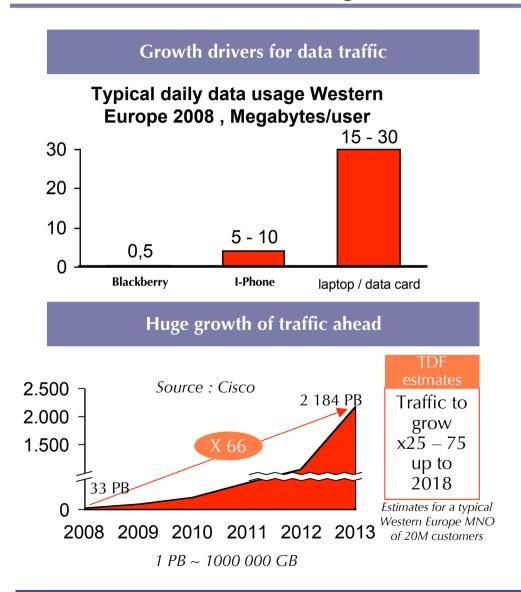
#### Agenda

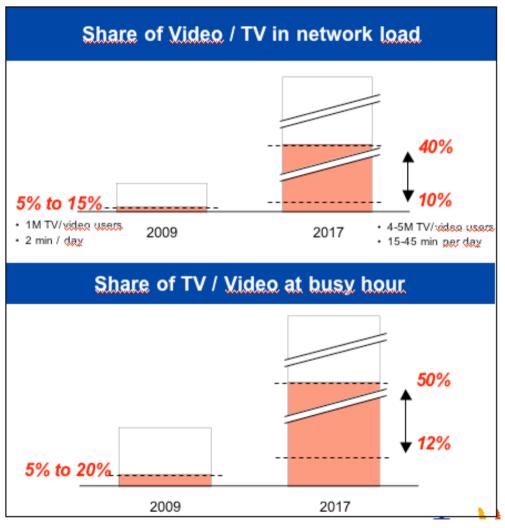
- Mobile TV facts & figures
- Mobile Traffic : The Broadcast / Unicast alternative
- Mobile TV Business Models : an inventory
- Stakeholders analysis
- Regulation
- What shapes the market ?
- Concluding remarks

#### **Mobile TV: Facts & Figures**

Visible customer appetite Fully developed and satisfactory technologies General A "natural" evolution and merger of two strong market trends: TV + Mobile Ca 5m subscribers, mostly 3G based One of the early / popular 3G usage drivers Impact of the iPhone **EUROPE** DVBH in a limbo From 3% to 6% penetration in France over 2009 Ca 10m subscribers, mostly 3G based Mobile TV (3G) 7m subs (4 month for the last m) The strategic push of a wireless powerhouse: Qualcomm / Flo TV 3mns on 3G / 30mns on broadcast 60m subs in Japan / 30m subs in Korea Broadcast dominance... but not necessarily the future **ASIA** Emergence in China with CMMB (Broadcast)

## Mobile TV and Traffic growth for wireless data networks

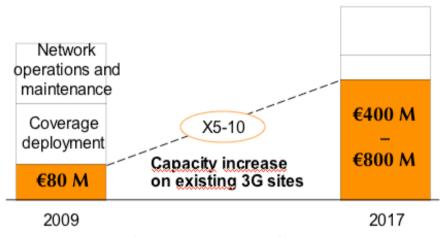




#### .... Which will cause huge growth in network costs

- Installed capacity per site in the densest areas to grow from 0,7Mbit/s / cell to 50 Mbit/s
- Different technological cellular options to increase capacity exist
  - HSPA upgrades, unused carrier, new spectrum acquisition, LTE...)
- Significant progress in cost / Mbps expected
- But nevertheless significant investments expected:
   x5 – x10 on current spending level on capacity build up

# Estimated annual cost of network capacity upgrade for a MNO\* without any budget constraints



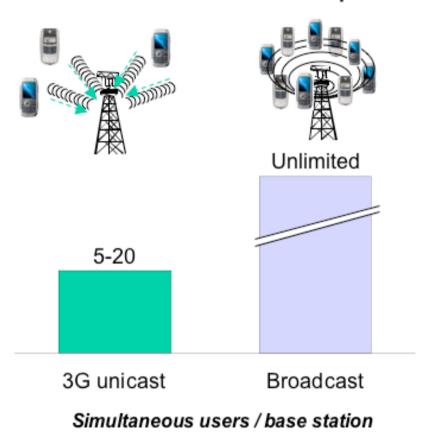
(\*) Typical European MNO with 20M customers



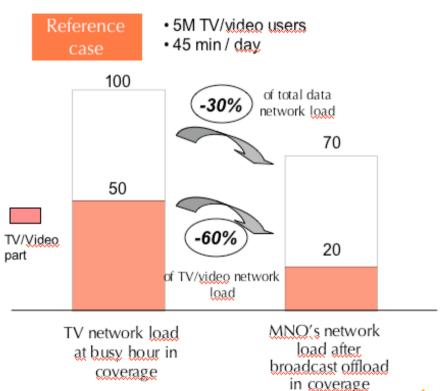
€2-4 Bn of aggregated incremental network capacity costs could be spent over the period (capex+ opex)

#### **Broadcast vs Unicast (1)**

## Broadcast – unicast : comparison of number of simultaneous users per cell

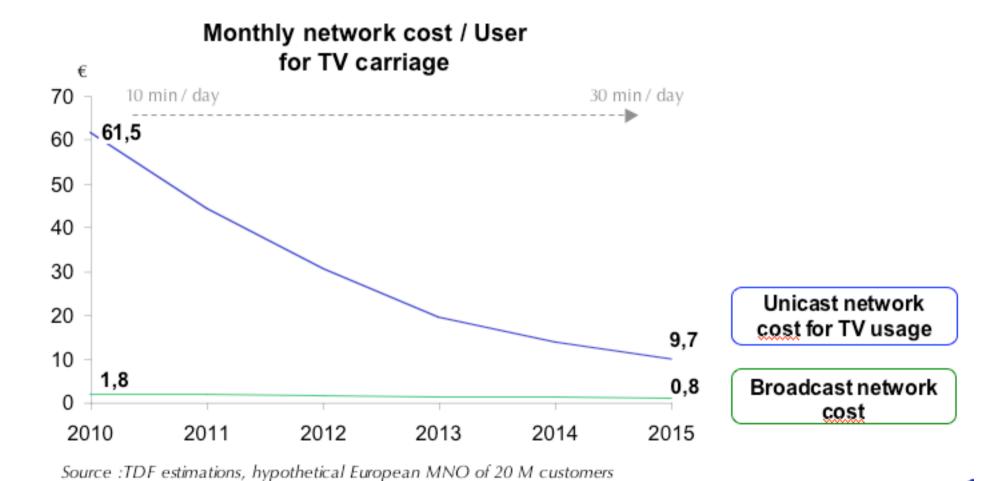


#### Part of cellular mobile TV traffic offloaded on a broadcast network in coverage (17%, basis 100)

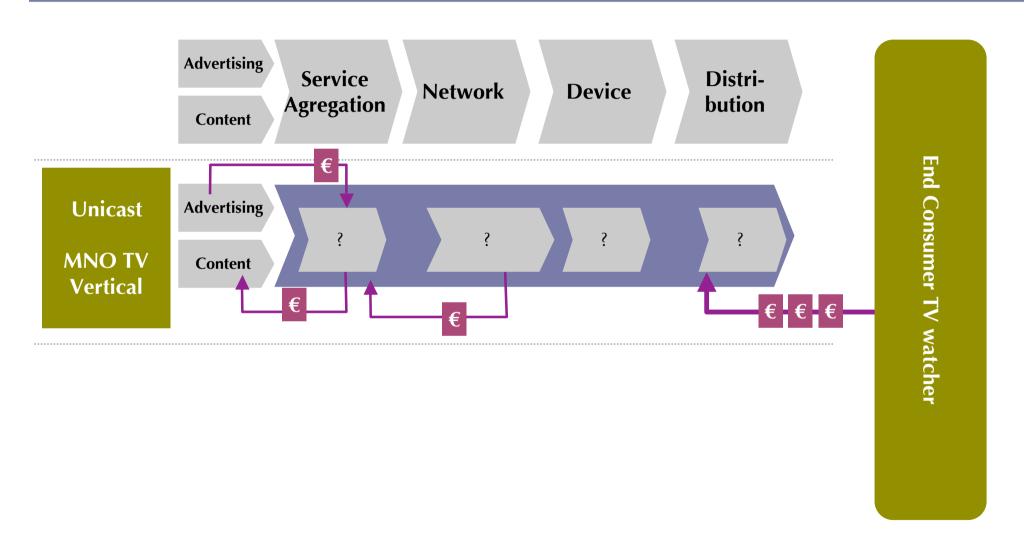


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#### **Broadcast vs Unicast (2)**



## **Mobile TV Business Models: key variables**

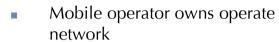


## **Business Models in Mobile TV (1)**

3G network **Sprint TV®** Watch shows, sports, news, movies and more. Mobile operator as sponsor / MNO distribitutor Vertical TV gets Rev share 3G network **3d Pty Offer** Paid subscription to 3d party **Unicast** Rev share 3dpty to MNO and to TVs on 3G TV app on iPhone 3G network (unpaid) + wifi **TV Direct** 

#### **Business Models in Mobile TV (2)**

Broadcast MNO Vertical



- Mobile operator as sponsor / distributor
- TV remuneration : variable









**Broadcast** 



- TVs pay / run the network and programming
- Free to Air
- Interface is industry standard ==> available on all phones for free



- Neutral 3d party operates network
- Wholesale offer to MNOs
- No end user visibility





- Dedicated network and service package
- Branding, distribution



#### An interim status of business models (1)

Highly visible launches ... and slowing dynamics A double sided situation for MNOs ... which makes them MNO quite shy in the end **Vertical** Are the MNOs controlling the market growth? Not very developed MNO not willing to host such **3d Pty Offer** Unicast network hungry services on 3G Is there enough value to be shared? Enabled by the new platforms iPhone type The retaliation (attempt?) of TV channels anxious of abusive **TV Direct** disintermediation Will MNOs let it go on ? Traffic control measures Finally a TV has customers and CRM?

#### An interim status of business models (2)

One MNO not sufficient to create a market **Broadcast** Potential regulatory obligations (forced open access / wholesale MNO offers) **Vertical** Frequency limitations The "obvious" good idea; regulatory OK, savings, ... **Shared** ... that is not emerging so quickly Not Invented here syndrome **Broadcast** MNOs not so used to cooperative initiatives Network **Broadcast** Potential Trojan horse of non MNO providers in mobile TV Japan and Korea broadcasters gets tired of paying network with little benefits Seems that the traditional Free to air model does not apply in **Sponsored** mobile **Dedicated** Fills a gap: Mobile TV needs a committed and incentived market maker Service Straight strategy and intention to make mobile TV happen **Provider** 

#### The MNO hesitation with Mobile TV

#### Unicast

#### Loves it because ...

- 3G penetration driver
- Marketing anchor topic
- ARPU growth / protection
- Dominance in delivery of content & digital entertainment
- Pre-empt product to avoid disintermediation (TV players)

#### **Broadcast**

- Cost x 1/10
- Quality
- The solution for mass marketing and distribution

#### Fears it because

- Traffic/network nightmare
- Value destruction; low yield of Mbyte

- Not invented here
- No control of network
- A trojan horse to disintermediation; a non MNO service provider can deliver on « my » platform
- A new handset issue

### The key issues for the stakeholders

**Device Makers** 

- Would like / MUST exist on mobile
- Free to Air model where TV pay network does not play; advertising revenues are years ahead
- Forced intermediation by MNO is not a satisfactory option
- Paid streaming not a long term solution
- TVs are not in a position to influence devices
- Plenty of technology
- What do the client = MNO need / want ?
- Cf FM

### **Regulation aspects**

- Telecom & Media regulations
- Frequency assignment
- Technical standard (from indicative to assertive)
- Competition between platforms
- Handset control = dominant position; will it be abused?
- Competitors co-operating in shared platforms; is it acceptable?
- Cultural diversity / content regulation in media

#### Who is shaping the business model?

## **Top Down Government Policies**

- ASIAN Model (China, Japan, Korea)
- Will it reach its goal of global push to national technology?

#### **Hybrid & Uncertain**

- Europe
- Top Down = "preferred" technology (DVBH)
- Reserved Free frequencies
- No mandatory measure
- Fragmented market ==> diverse strategies and initiatives

#### **Business Initiatives**

- US
- Sponsors put significant capital at risk to establish a new business
- Set their own rules
- Auction of frequencies

Clarity
Momentum - Volumes
Things happen
Opportunity gets created

Compliance with Free market /
technology neutrality
principles
Listen to the customer / market

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Risk to go against the market Value destruction

Slow development
Under-competition
Network saturation services
scarcity

Business risk of (significant) value destruction

**Over-competition** 

## **Concluding remarks**

- A new market is emerging « for sure »
- Create opportunities and threats for the stakeholders
- Strong stakes
- TV = exist in the mobile life of the customer; avoid forced intermediation and « raw material »
- MNOs = avoid dumb pipe; maintain yield; protect customer base
- Many diverse business models : still uncertain
- Significant Regulation issues, competition and sectorial
- Strong cultural differences on how the market gets its direction and structure....
- Let us see what happens......