



# Spectrum for 4G and 5G

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# Using all available spectrum types and spectrum bands

## Licensed spectrum

### Exclusive use

Over 40 bands globally for LTE, remains the industry's top priority



## Shared spectrum

### New shared spectrum paradigms

Example: 2.3 GHz Europe / 3.5 GHz USA



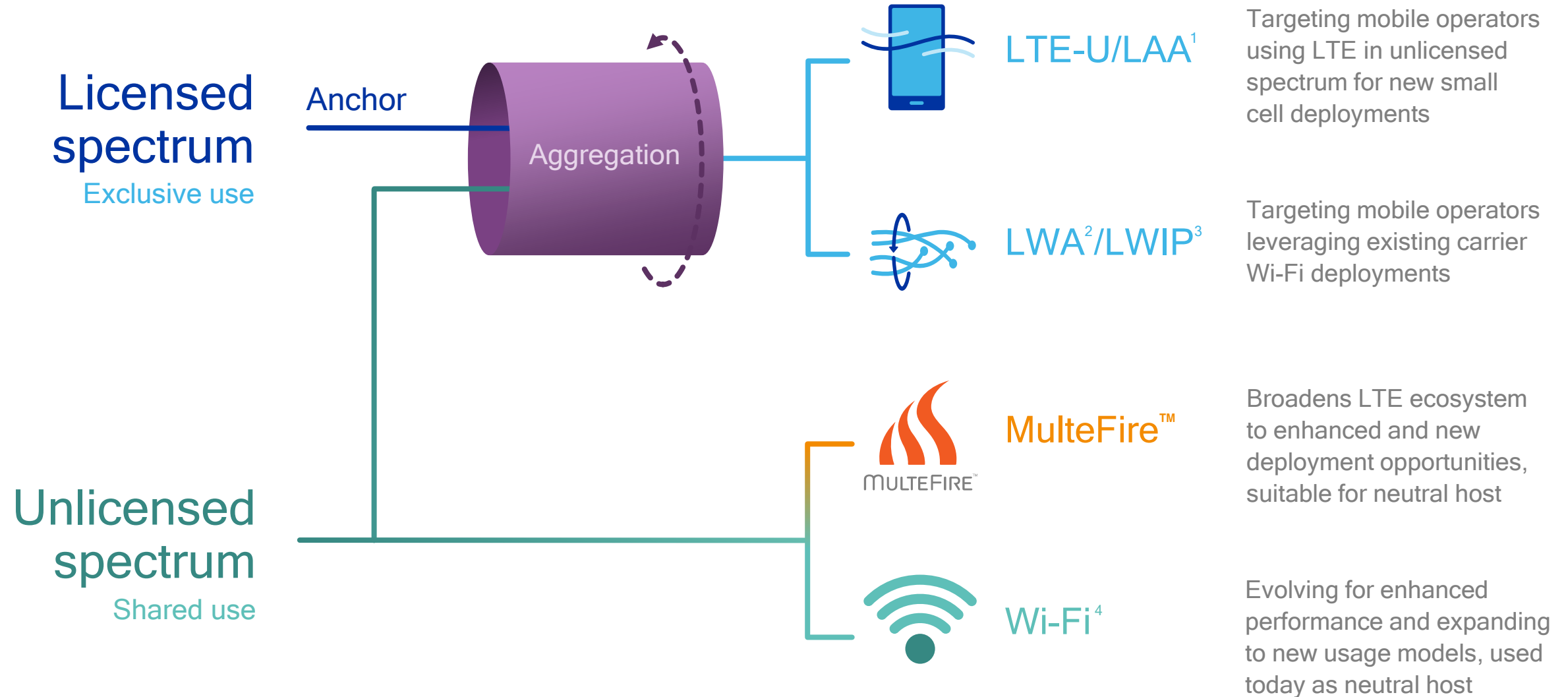
## Unlicensed spectrum

### Shared use

Example: 2.4 GHz / 5-7 GHz / 57-71 GHz global



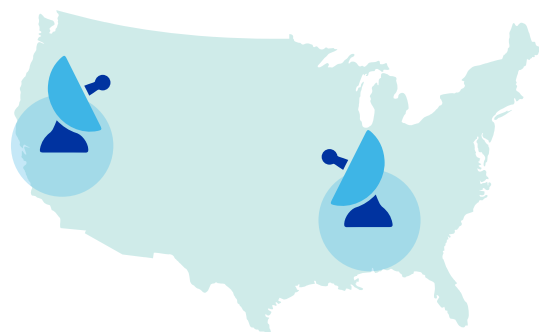
# Making best use of shared/unlicensed spectrum



# New opportunities with shared/unlicensed spectrum

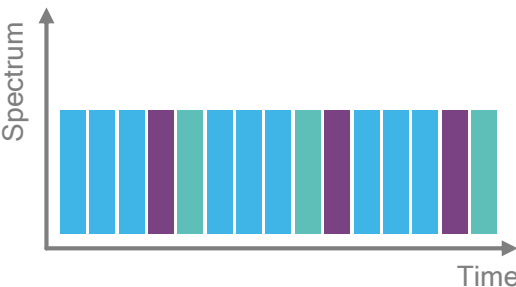
## Unlocking more spectrum

Shared spectrum can unlock spectrum that is lightly used by incumbents



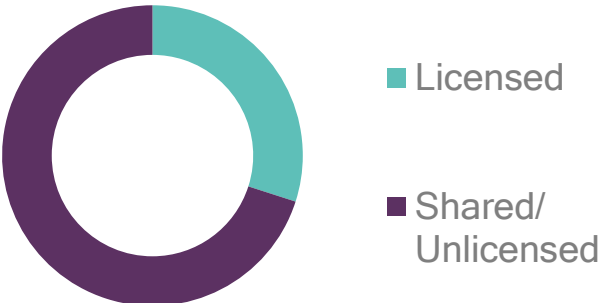
## New spectrum sharing innovations

Spectrum sharing has the potential to increase spectrum utilization



## A lot of spectrum may be shared/unlicensed

FCC 2016 decision on high-band spectrum included a significant portion of shared/unlicensed<sup>1</sup>



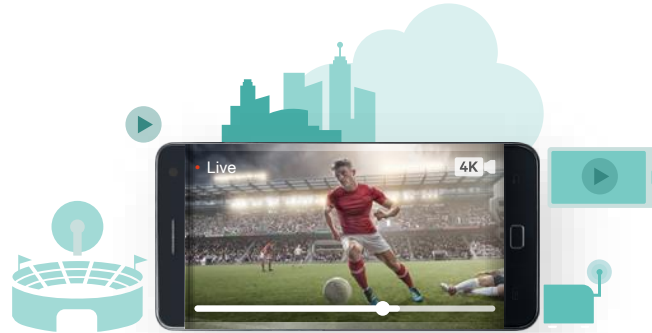
<sup>1</sup> FCC ruling FCC 16-89 on 7/14/2016 allocated 3.25 GHz of licensed spectrum and 7.6 GHz of shared/unlicensed spectrum.

# Spectrum sharing valuable for wide range of deployments



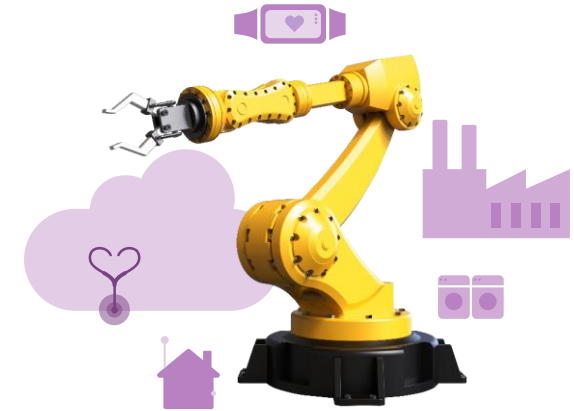
## Licensed spectrum aggregation

Better user experience with higher speeds



## Enhanced local broadband

Neutral host, neighborhood network



## Private 5G networks

Industrial IoT, Enterprise



Enhancing existing deployments,

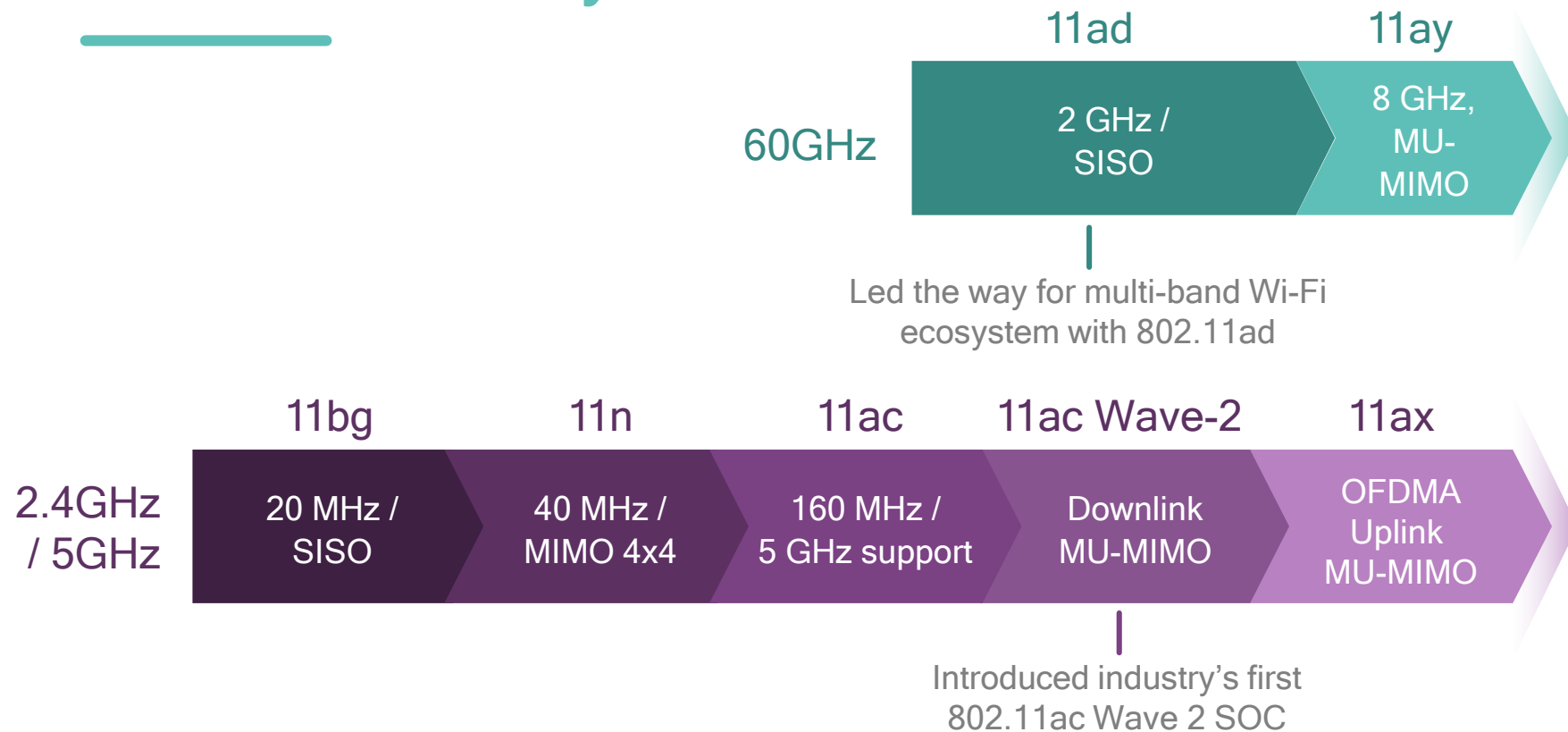
Examples today: Gigabit LTE with LAA<sup>1</sup>

New types of deployments,

Examples today: Private LTE networks

1. Licensed-Assisted Access (LAA);

# Qualcomm Technologies, Inc. (QTI) leading the way with Wi-Fi in the mobile industry



# Pioneering shared spectrum technologies in LTE



1) Licensed Shared Access (LSA); 2) Licensed-Assisted Access (LAA), enhanced LAA (eLAA), Deutsche Telekom (DT), SK Telecom (SKT); 3) Citizen Broadband Radio Service (CBRS)

# LTE-U and LAA are now a commercial reality



## Specifications finalized and published

LTE-U Forum published the LTE-U specs in Q1 2014, 3GPP published Rel. 13 standard with LAA in Q1 2016



## FCC authorized devices for US deployments

FCC has granted equipment authorization for both LTE-U<sup>1</sup> and LAA<sup>2</sup>



## LAA for global deployments

Listen-before-talk (LBT) is used by both LAA and Wi-Fi globally in the 5 GHz unlicensed band



## Supported by Qualcomm® Snapdragon™ LTE modems

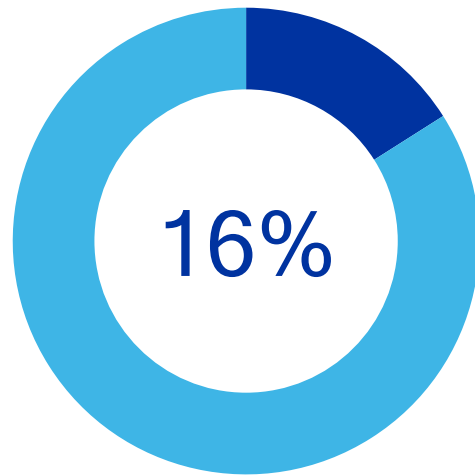
LTE-U starting with X12 LTE modem; LAA starting with X16 LTE modem in Snapdragon 835 mobile platform



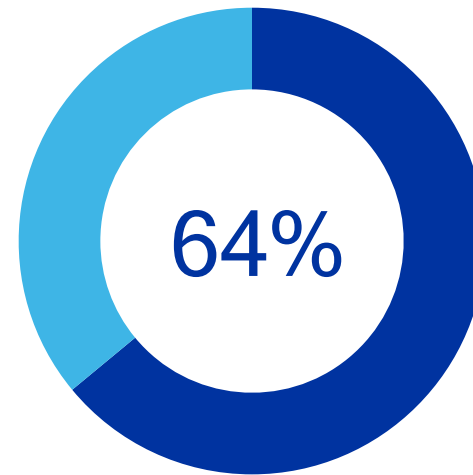
# Enabling Gigabit LTE all over the world by using LAA

More operators can deliver Gigabit LTE using LAA in 5 GHz unlicensed spectrum

■ Share of operators who can deploy Gigabit LTE

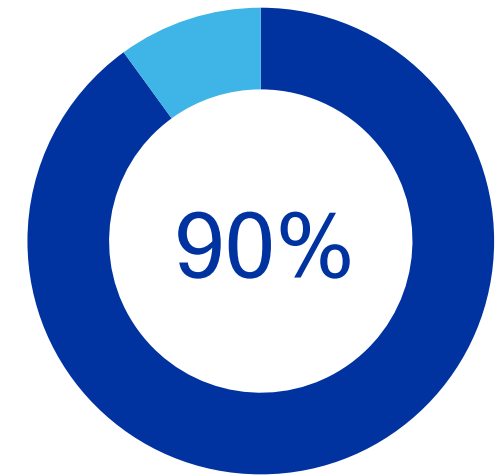


60 MHz licensed<sup>1</sup>



X16 LTE Modem

20 MHz licensed + LAA



X20 LTE Modem

10 MHz licensed + LAA



Over 17 commercial devices, including smartphones, always connected PC, mobile broadband devices...

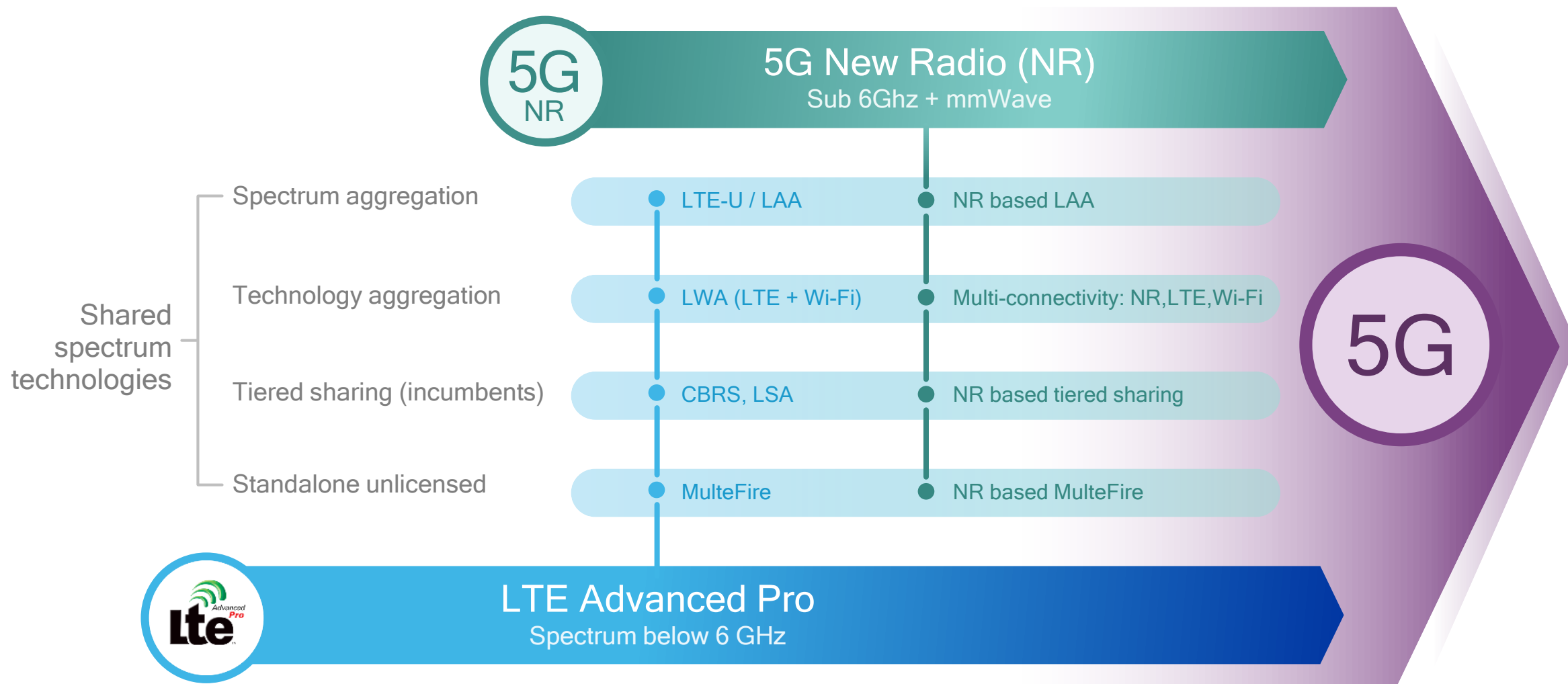


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Operators in 25 countries with Gigabit LTE planned or trialed

# Ushering in new spectrum sharing paradigms with 5G

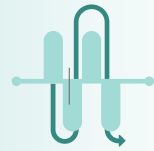
Pioneering spectrum sharing technologies with LTE today



Learn more at: <http://www.qualcomm.com/spectrum-sharing>

# 5G NR

## 5G NR will natively support all different spectrum types



**Licensed Spectrum**  
Exclusive use



**Shared Spectrum**  
New shared spectrum paradigms



**Unlicensed Spectrum**  
Shared use

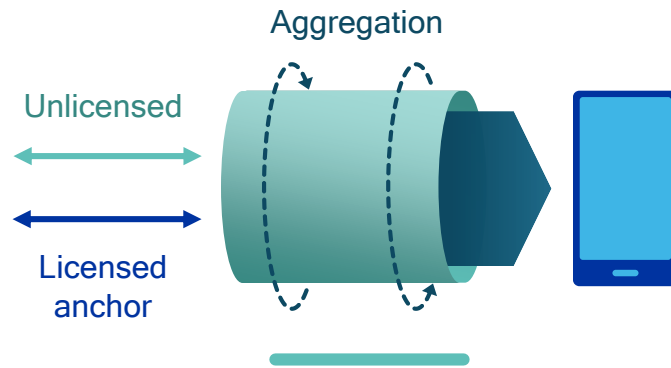
High bands (mmWave)  
above 24 GHz  
Extreme bandwidths

Mid bands  
between 1-6 GHz  
Wider bandwidths for  
e.g. eMBB and mission-critical

Low bands  
below 1 GHz  
Longer range for e.g. mobile  
broadband and massive IOT

# 3GPP study on 5G NR operation in unlicensed spectrum

First time 3GPP studies cellular technology operating stand-alone in unlicensed<sup>1</sup>



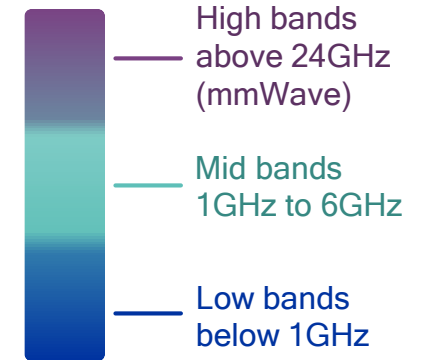
## NR-based LAA

NR in unlicensed aggregated with LTE (dual-connectivity) or NR (carrier-aggregation) in licensed spectrum



## Stand-alone unlicensed

NR operating standalone in unlicensed spectrum. This will become the MulteFire™ evolution path to 5G



## Across spectrum bands

Both below and above 6 GHz, e.g., 5GHz, 37GHz, 60GHz\* (\*assuming no change to waveform)

Fair co-existence in any unlicensed spectrum: NR/NR, NR/LTE, NR/Wi-Fi

<sup>1</sup>.Study item in Rel.15 (RP-170828), which could be followed by a work item that is completed in Rel. 16.

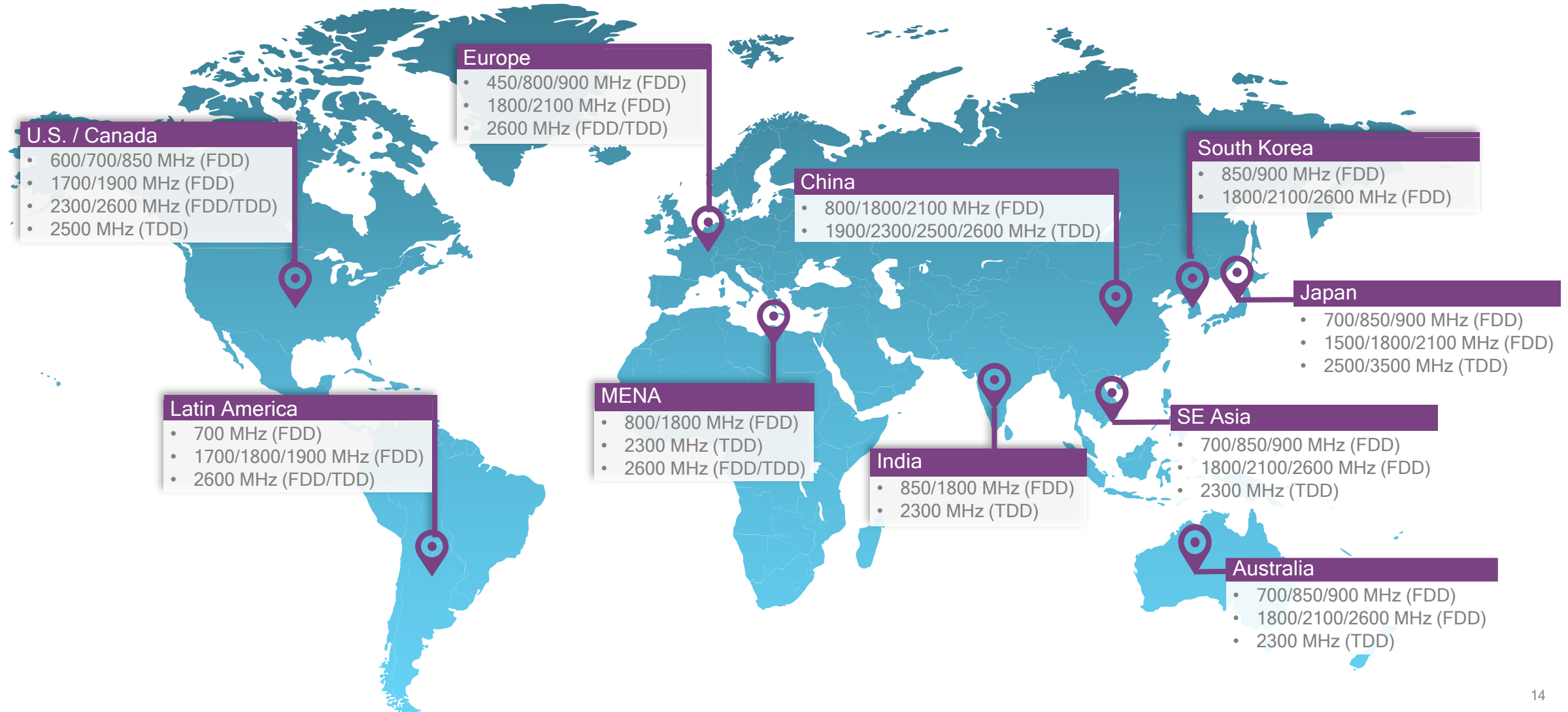
# Global 4G & 5G spectrum update

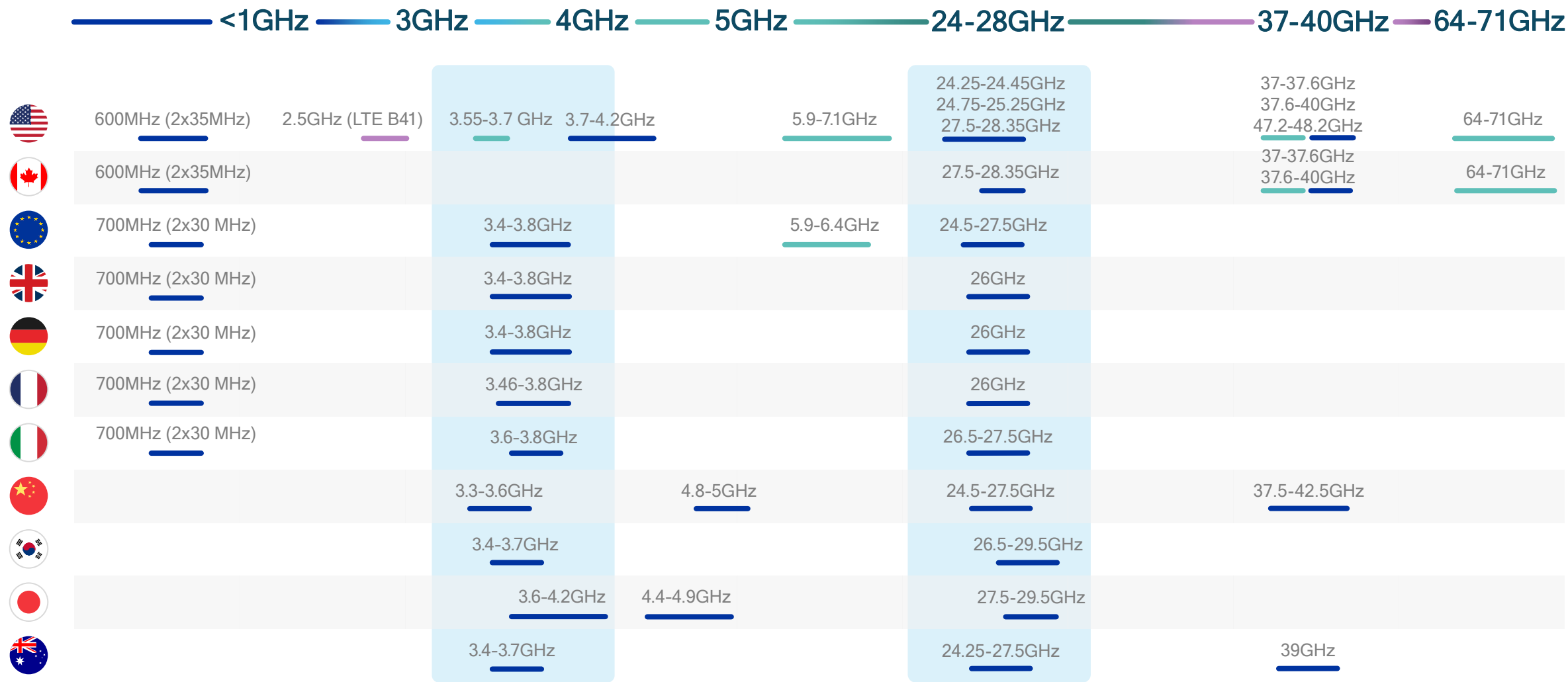
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# Global 4G LTE spectrum landscape

Over 1,000 band combinations now supported for LTE





# Global snapshot of 5G spectrum

Around the world, these bands have been allocated or targeted

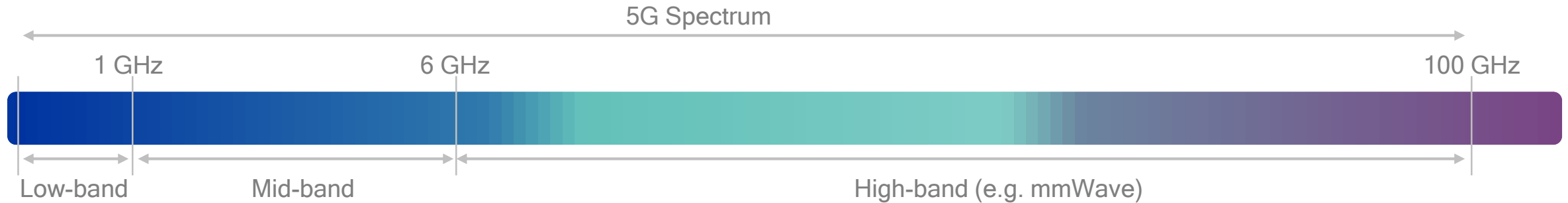
New 5G band

- Licensed
- Unlicensed / shared
- Existing band



# The FCC is driving key spectrum initiatives to enable 5G

## Across low-band, mid-band, and high-band including mmWave



### Low-band

#### Broadcast incentive auction

- Successfully auctioned a portion of the 600 MHz band that generated \$19.8B in proceeds after assignment phase
- Includes 70 MHz (2 x 35 MHz) of licensed spectrum and 14 MHz for unlicensed use
- Spectrum availability timing aligns with 5G

### Mid-band

#### Citizens Broadband Radio Service

- Opening up 150 MHz in 3.5 GHz band with 3-tier sharing with incumbents, PAL<sup>1</sup>, GAA<sup>2</sup>
- FCC to improve PAL rules in 2017 to make them suitable for 5G
- CBRS Alliance formally launched to drive an LTE-based ecosystem
- FCC Notice of Inquiry on 3.7-4.2 GHz and 5.9-7.1 GHz

### High-band

#### 2016 Spectrum Frontiers Ruling<sup>3</sup> and second mmWave ruling in 2017

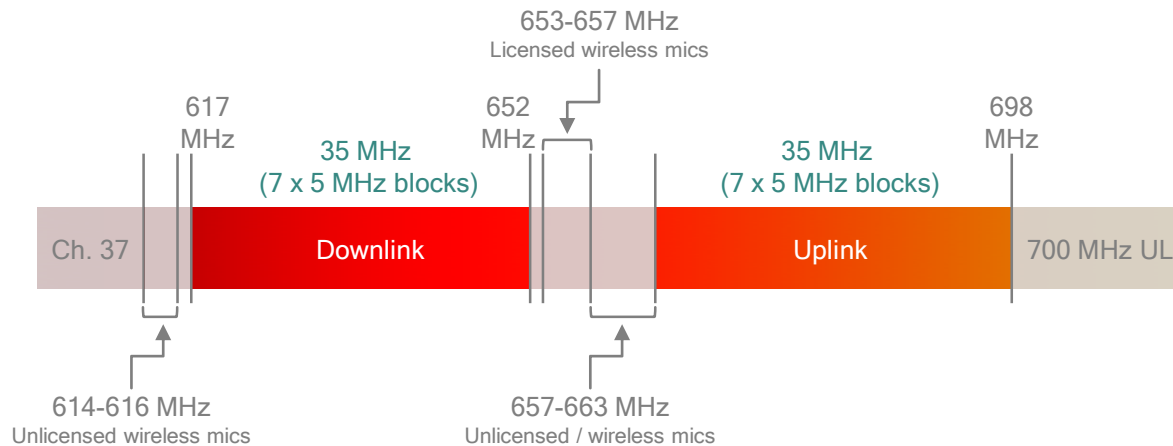
- In 2016, FCC announced opening up of 11 GHz in multiple mmWave bands, 70% of newly opened spectrum is shared or unlicensed
- Unanimously approved. FCC also asked for comment on other candidate bands identified for IMT-2020
- In Nov. 2017, FCC adopted second order allocating 24.25-24.45, 24.75-25.25 GHz, and 47.2-48.2 GHz





# Low-band: 600 MHz getting ready for 5G NR and LTE

Initially LTE in areas w/ cleared spectrum; 5G when spectrum is cleared of TV stations



## 600 MHz Spectrum

### Meeting 5G timeline

Process of clearing the spectrum & repacking TV stations will take 39 months

### Greater capacity and wider coverage

Low-band spectrum is optimized for long-range macro deployments  
- optimal for connecting the wide-area IoT and more

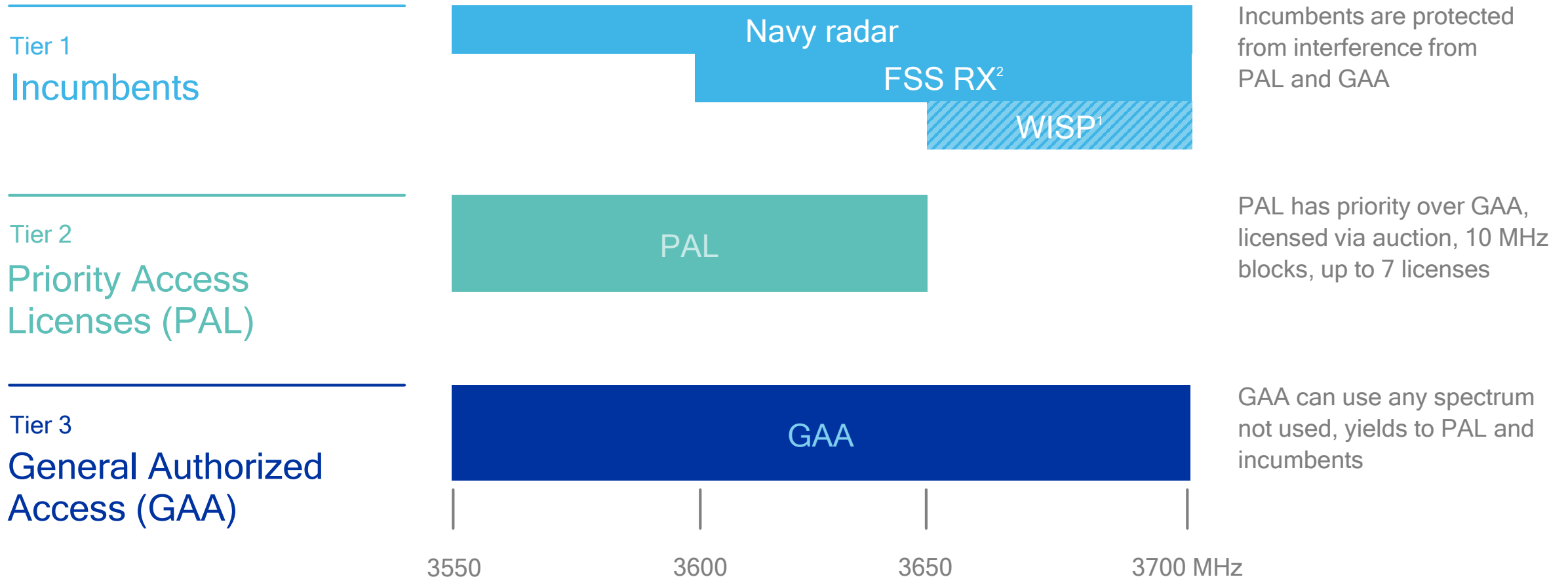
### Broad industry support

QTI is working closely with operators & OEMs to enable early launches, incorporating our industry-leading modem, transceiver, and RFFE



# Mid-band: CBRS introduces a 3-tiered shared spectrum

## FCC to optimize PAL rules in 2017 for 5G deployments



1 Wireless ISP transitioning from incumbent to PAL/GAA after 5 years; 2 Fixed satellite service - receiving only; 3) Citizen Broadband Radio Service (CBRS)



# High-band: Spectrum Frontiers ruling for 5G mmWave

Shared and unlicensed spectrum is key for more bandwidths

## Licensed access

- 27.5 - 28.35 GHz: 850 MHz (2x425 MHz)
- 37.6 - 38.6 GHz: 1 GHz (5x200 MHz)
- 38.6 - 40 GHz: 1.4 GHz (7x200 MHz)

## Shared and unlicensed access

- 37 - 37.6 GHz: 600 MHz (3x200 MHz)
- 64 - 71 GHz: 7 GHz expansion of existing 60 GHz band

**Total spectrum  
= ~11 GHz**

**FCC ruling expected in 2017 for additional candidate bands**

Including 24.25-24.45, 24.75-25.25, as well as 42-42.5

# European Commission driving a Gigabit Society<sup>1</sup>

Deploying 5G across Europe by 2020 with pre-commercial trials starting in 2018



## EC 5G Action Plan - published in Sept. 2016

- Early trials in 2017, pre-commercial trials from 2018
- Full commercial 5G services (one major city per country) in 2020
- All urban areas and major terrestrial transport paths with 5G coverage by 2025

## Pioneer spectrum bands for 5G

- Low-band (700 MHz), mid-band (3.4-3.8 GHz), high-band (24.25-27.5 GHz)
- EC Mandate to CEPT focusing on 3.5 GHz and 26 GHz pioneering bands - target completion June 2018
- Additional EC Mandate to CEPT on extended L band (1427 - 1518 MHz) - target completion by end of 2017
- CEPT harmonization of the 26 GHz band ahead of WRC-19 (June 2018 target)
- 5G commercial services to use both 3.4-3.8 GHz and 26 GHz in Europe by 2020

## Full set of 5G spectrum bands - agree on by end of 2017

- Works towards a recommended approach for the authorization of the specific 5G spectrum bands above 6 GHz - focus on the bands for WRC-19 (e.g., 31.8 - 33.4 GHz, 40.5 - 43.5 GHz in addition to 24.25 - 27.5 GHz)
- Maximizes spectrum sharing opportunities - sharing as regulatory tool central to European Electronic Communications Code

# 5G spectrum in Europe

## Focus on mid-band (3.4-3.8 GHz) and 26 GHz (24.25-27.5 GHz) for 2017+

EC RSC, CEPT, key European Member States are driving regulatory activities to accelerate 5G rollout in EU  
Intense regulatory activities for 3.4-3.8 GHz and 26 GHz with auctions expected in 2018-2019 timeframe



- Government 5G strategy for UK published in March 2017 - DCMS and HM Treasury
- Ofcom planning to auction 150 MHz in 3.4-3.6 GHz in 2018/ 2019 - more spectrum (116MHz) in 3.6 - 3.8 GHz in 2019
- Legal Challenges might delay 3.4-3.6GHz auction to 2018 at the earliest, likelihood of a multiband auction scenario in 2019 including (700MHz, 3.4-3.8GHz and 26GHz)
- For mmWave, Ofcom has initiated a work program on 26 GHz band availability for early 5G deployment



- BenetzA planning to award 3.4-3.8 GHz in the forthcoming awarding process - expected in 2018
- For mmWave, 26.5 - 27.5GHz could be included in 2018 award



- ARCEP to award 340 MHz (3.46-3.8GHz) of spectrum in 2018; ARCEP spectrum consultation included 26 GHz



- Italian government will award 700MHz, 3.6-3.8GHz and 26.5-27.5GHz in 2018
- Multiband auction included in the country budget plan for 2018
- Major 5G trials gov't program on 100 MHz of spectrum in 3.7-3.8 GHz; discussions on re-farming 3.4-3.6 GHz between MoD, MiSE, AGCOM



- Ireland successful auction of 350 MHz of spectrum for 5G - 26GHz auction in 2018



- In Spain, the 3.6-3.8 GHz band could be tendered according to market and operators needs from 2018
- Consultation ongoing on 5G Plan of Ministry for Digital Agenda; CNMC proposal to free up spectrum in the 3.4 - 3.8 GHz range
- Spain consulting on 26 GHz band - at least 1.4 GHz available for release in 2018



- Ficora is looking at "large-scale 5G tests" in 26 GHz, decided to make available up to 1 GHz for it in 2017




- PTS is looking at "large-scale 5G tests" in 26 GHz, decided to make available up to 1 GHz for it in 2017
- Commitment to make available pioneering bands by 2020 - spectrum plan expected to be announced in Q1 2018

### Other countries:

Belgium, Austria, Switzerland planning to release spectrum in 2018/2019 timeframe

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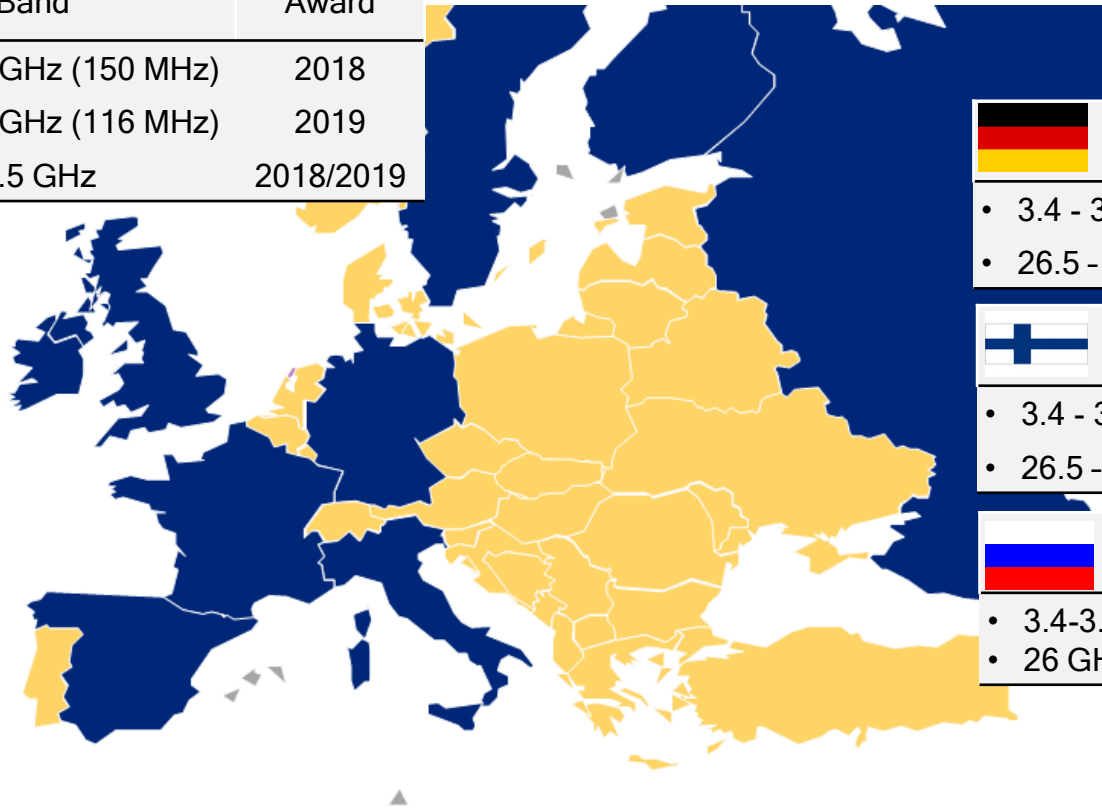
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• 3.4 - 3.8 GHz (350 Mhz)	2017
• 26 GHz	2018

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• 3.4-3.8 GHz	2019/2020
• 26.5 - 27.5 GHz	2019/2020

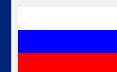
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• 3.6 - 3.8 GHz	2018
• 26.5 - 27.5 GHz	2018

 Band	Award
• 3.4 - 3.6 GHz (150 MHz)	2018
• 3.6 - 3.8 GHz (116 MHz)	2019
• 26.5 - 27.5 GHz	2018/2019



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• 26.5 - 27.5 GHz	2018?

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• 3.4 - 3.8 GHz	2018
• 26.5 - 27.5 GHz	2020

 Band	Award
• 3.4-3.8 GHz	2019/20*
• 26 GHz	2020+*

# eMBMS<sup>1</sup> delivers terrestrial Digital TV more efficiently

## A strong candidate to deliver next-gen digital TV in Europe—opportunity elsewhere



### Single cellular broadcast network

Broadcast also for digital TV content and unicast for on-demand and interactivity



### Addresses existing/new devices

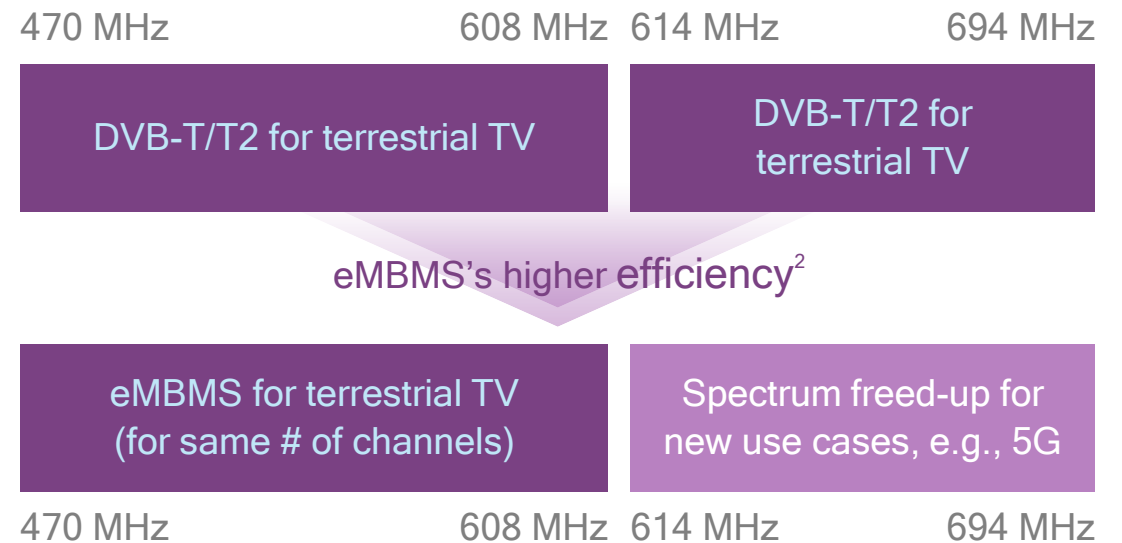
Content to new device types (e.g., receive-only fixed devices like a TV) and mobile devices



### Shared broadcast delivery

To serve users from multiple providers and operators—enabling new media delivery

EU decision to harmonize 700 MHz by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for mobile broadband networks<sup>5</sup>



1. Evolved Multimedia Broadcast Multicast Service; 2. ~2x more efficient than DVB-T/ATSC and provides longer range up to 15km (with further extended CP of 200 us and features such as 2x2 MIMO, 256 QAM, increased subframe limit); Assumptions: current broadcast technology operates in MFN mode with a frequency reuse of at least 4 with a spectrum efficiency of up to 4 bps/Hz inside each cell. This corresponds to an overall spectrum efficiency of approx. 1bps/Hz. Whereas eMBMS operates in SFN over the entire coverage area with a spectrum efficiency of up to 2bps/Hz 5. Introducing technology neutrality in 470-694 MHz, with priority for broadcasting services until 2030

# Opening more spectrum for 5G is a global effort

## 5G spectrum status in key Asian markets and Australia



- MIIT officially allocated 3.3-3.6 GHz & 4.8-5.0 GHz as official 5G bands
- MmWave in longer term. Chinese gov't solicited public opinion for candidate bands of 24.75-27.5 GHz & 37-42.5 GHz non-exclusively in Jun'17
- Chinese government approved small scale trial frequencies usage in 24.75-27.5 GHz & 37-42.5 GHz mmWave ranges in Jul'17



- Phase 1 (2018+): 27.5-28.5 GHz & 3.4-3.7 GHz, also 26.5-29.5 GHz if 3GPP assigns it to 5G, auction expected in 2018
- Phase 2 (2018-2021): 2 GHz BW in 26.5-27.5 GHz, 28.5-29.5 GHz, or WRC-19 bands
- Phase 3 (2021-2026): Looking at another 1 GHz allocation



- Trials have started at 4.4-4.9 GHz & also looking at 3.6-4.2 GHz; mmWave: 27.5-29.5 GHz
- Official 5G bands: 3.7 GHz, 4.5 GHz (max 500 MHz in sub-6 GHz), and 28 GHz (max 2 GHz)
- Actual band(s) allocation and technical rules are expected in 2018



- Regulator issued a public consultation on 5G spectrum, including bands below 1 GHz, between 1 and 6 GHz, and above 6 GHz.



- Regulator announced plan to allocate low-band, mid-band (3.4-3.7 GHz) and mmWave (24.25-28.35 GHz) spectrum



- Demonstrated 5G operating in 28 GHz mmWave band



- Planning for 3.4 to 3.7 GHz and also investigating mmWave bands
- Telstra has already announced trials in 2018 at the Commonwealth Games, using 28 and 39 GHz
- Many other governments in the region initiating 5G stakeholder consultations this year



# Asia Pacific Telecommunity also driving 4G & 5G spectrum

Working on regional spectrum allocation, harmonization, and innovation



- Established in 1979, headquartered in Bangkok, Thailand
  - Founded on joint initiative of the UNESCAP<sup>1</sup> and ITU
  - 38 member countries and 130+ associate/affiliate members
- We are working within APG<sup>2</sup> with our ecosystem partners and regulators on planning for the next World Radio Conference (WRC-19) to develop regional proposals.
  - Also actively working within AWG<sup>3</sup> to help drive regional spectrum harmonization, spectrum sharing studies, and to encourage innovation.

# Opening more spectrum for 5G is a global effort

## 5G spectrum status in Latin America



Latin America

- Studying bands identified at WRC-15 for IMT, including L-Band and 3.4 - 3.6 GHz
- Targeting millimeter waves to be identified at WRC-19
- Supporting regulatory efforts in CITELE & ITU

# Anyone can talk about 5G. We are making it a reality.

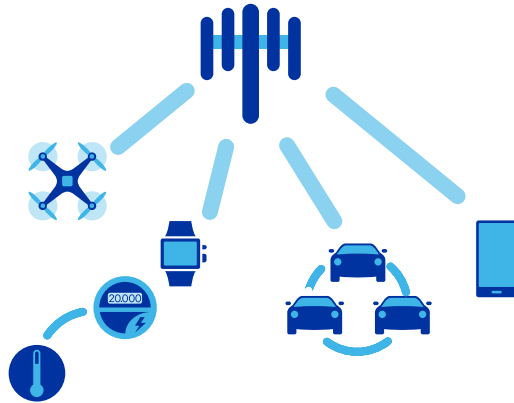


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# Qualcomm Research 5G NR end-to-end prototype systems

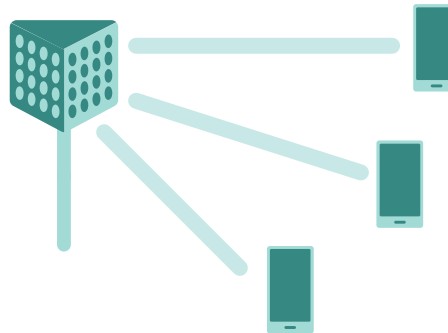
## Sub-6 GHz

Ubiquitous coverage and capacity for a wide-range of 5G use cases



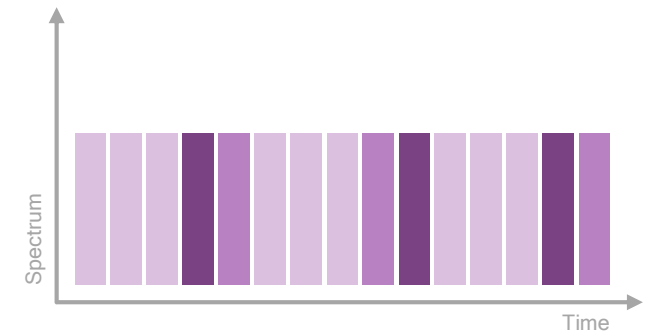
## Mobilizing mmWave

Large bandwidths for extreme throughput and capacity



## Spectrum sharing

More efficient utilization of, and access to, scarce resources



## Accelerating 5G NR commercialization

Test, demonstrate and verify our 5G designs

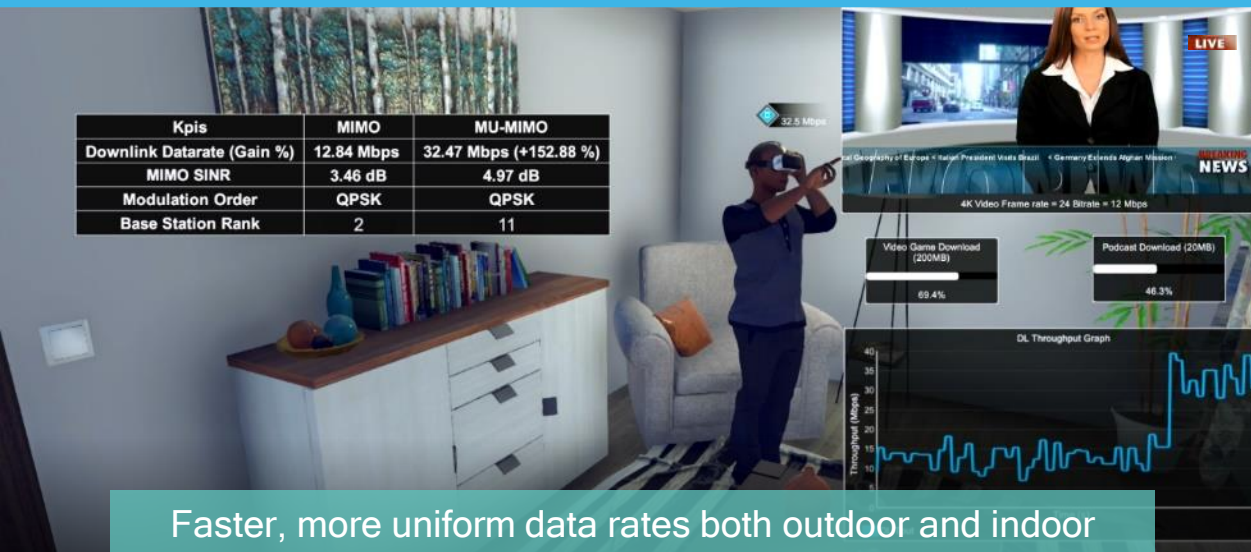
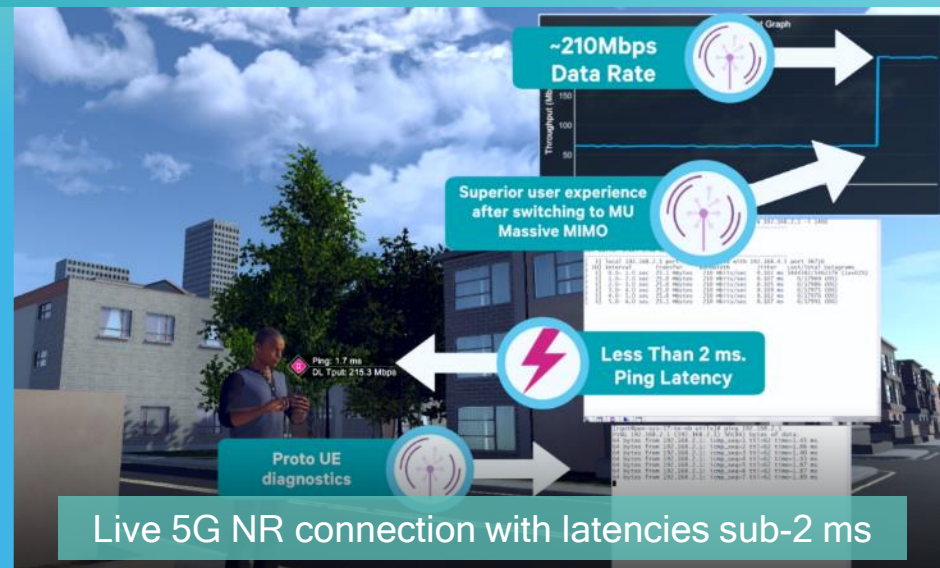
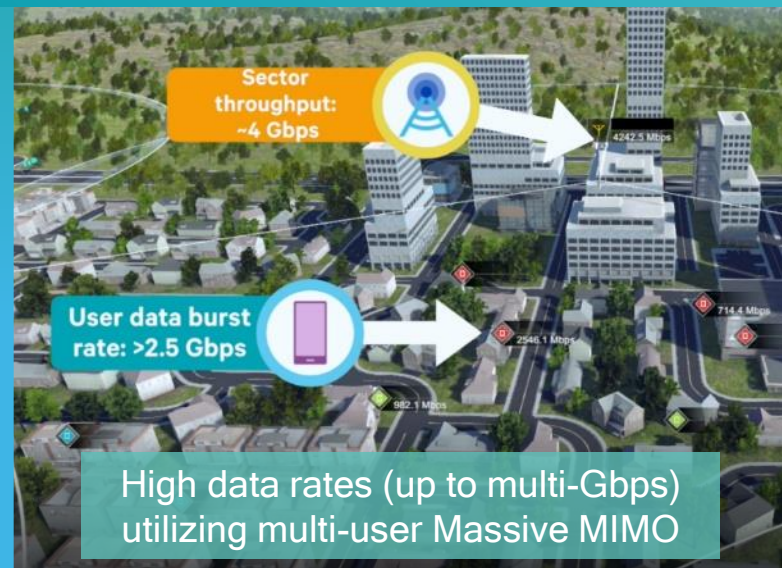
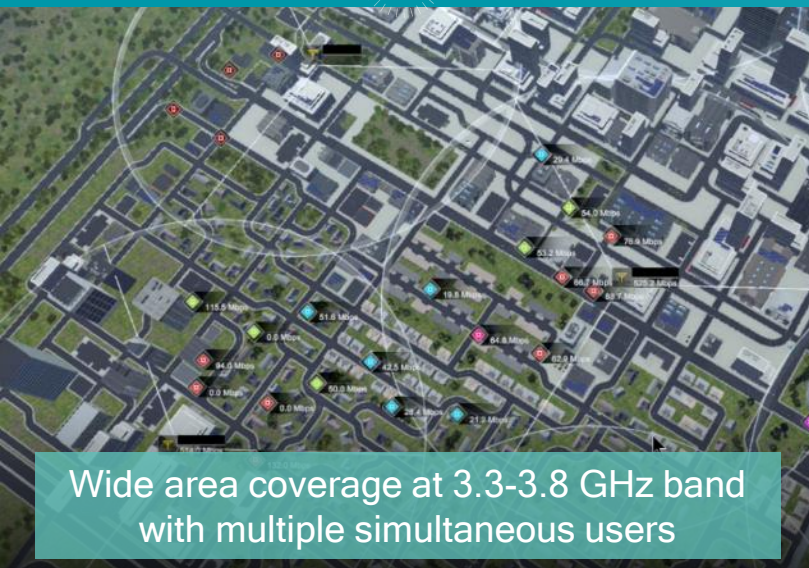
Drive and track 3GPP 5G NR standardization

Achieve impactful trials with network operators

Drive timely commercialization



# Bringing new capabilities and efficiency to sub-6 GHz





# Leading the way on 5G NR trials to accelerate deployments

Starting 2nd half of 2017 in collaboration with operators and infrastructure vendors

3GPP-compliant trials  
and interoperability testing  
at sub-6 GHz & mmWave

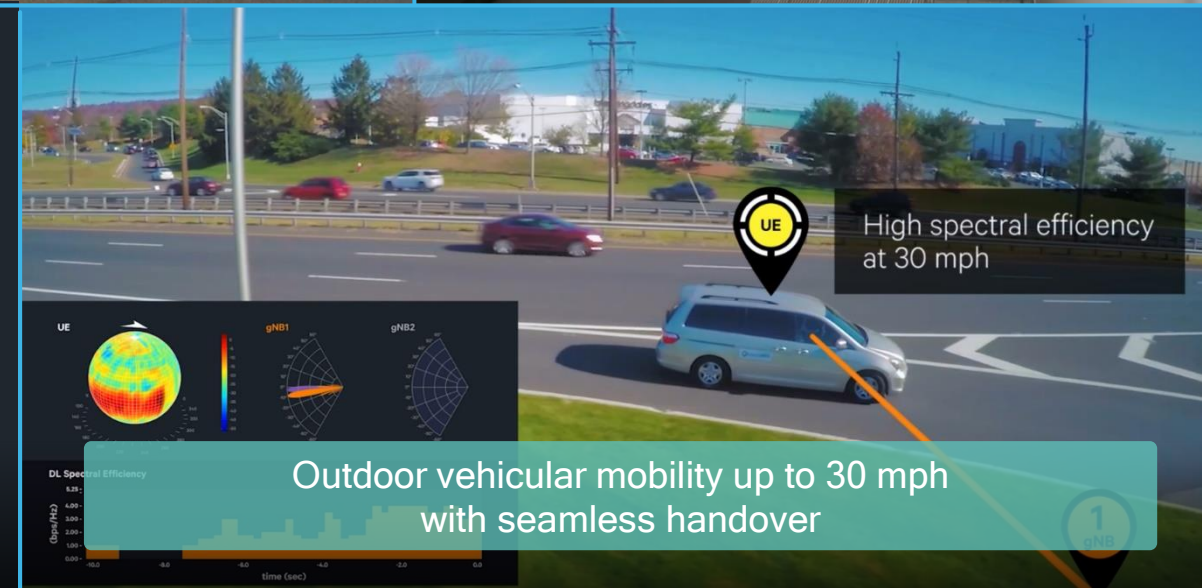
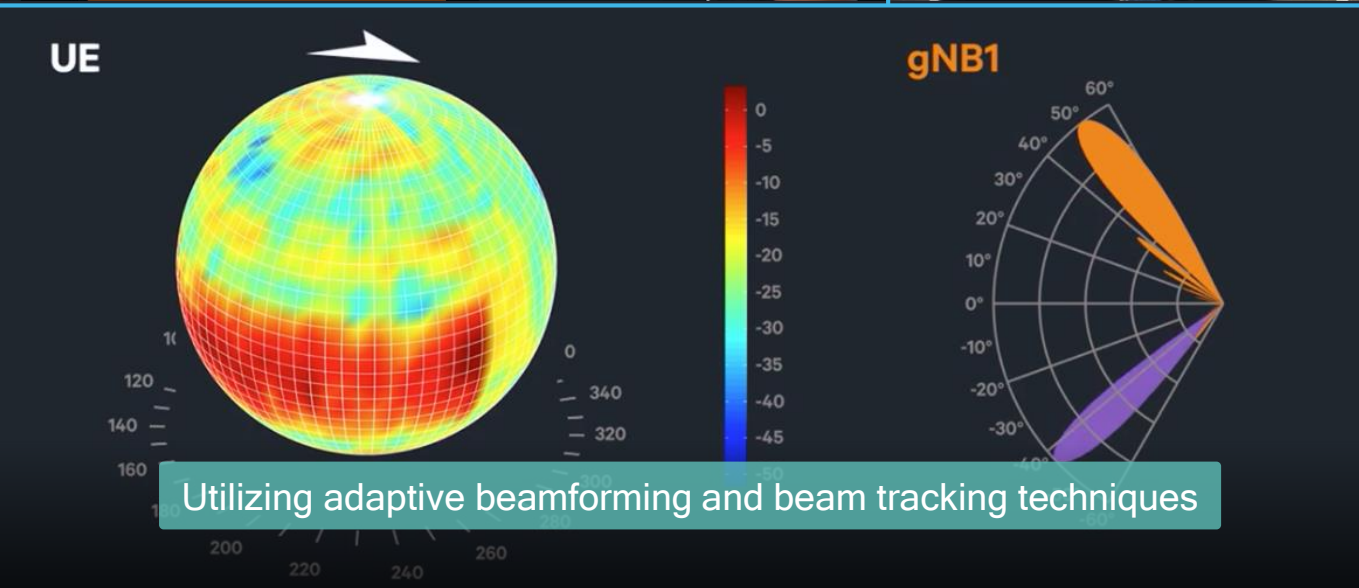
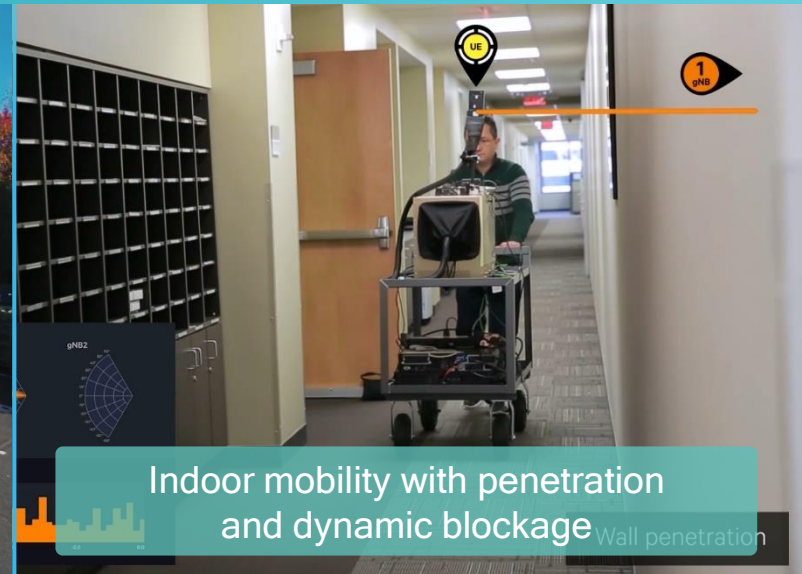
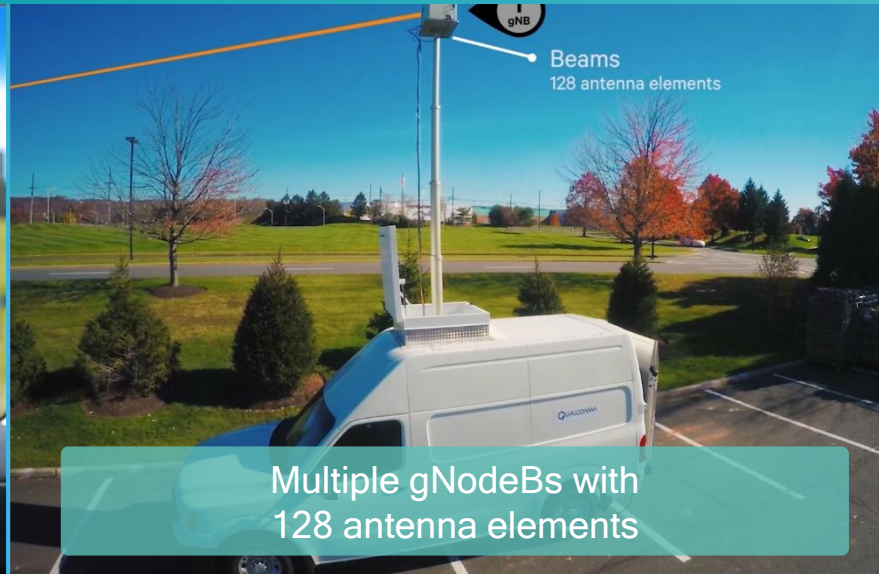
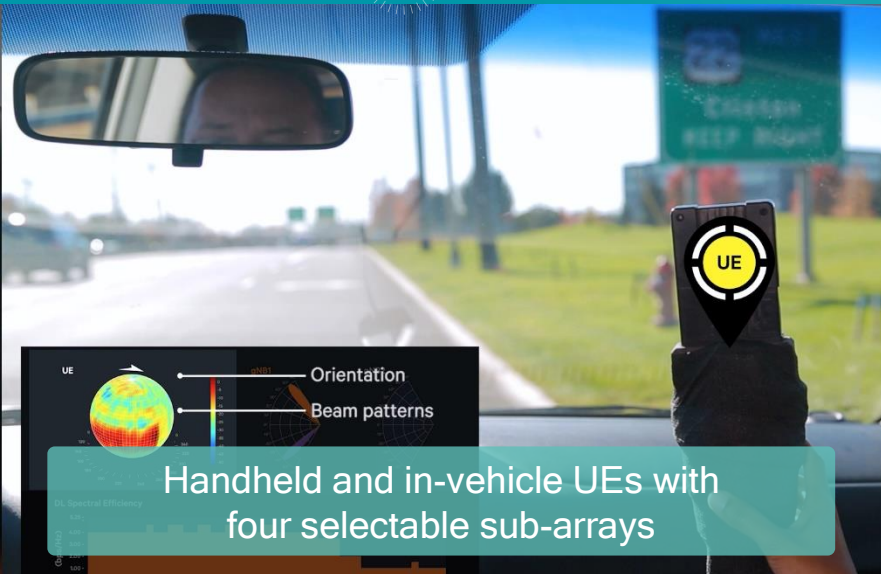


In collaboration with...



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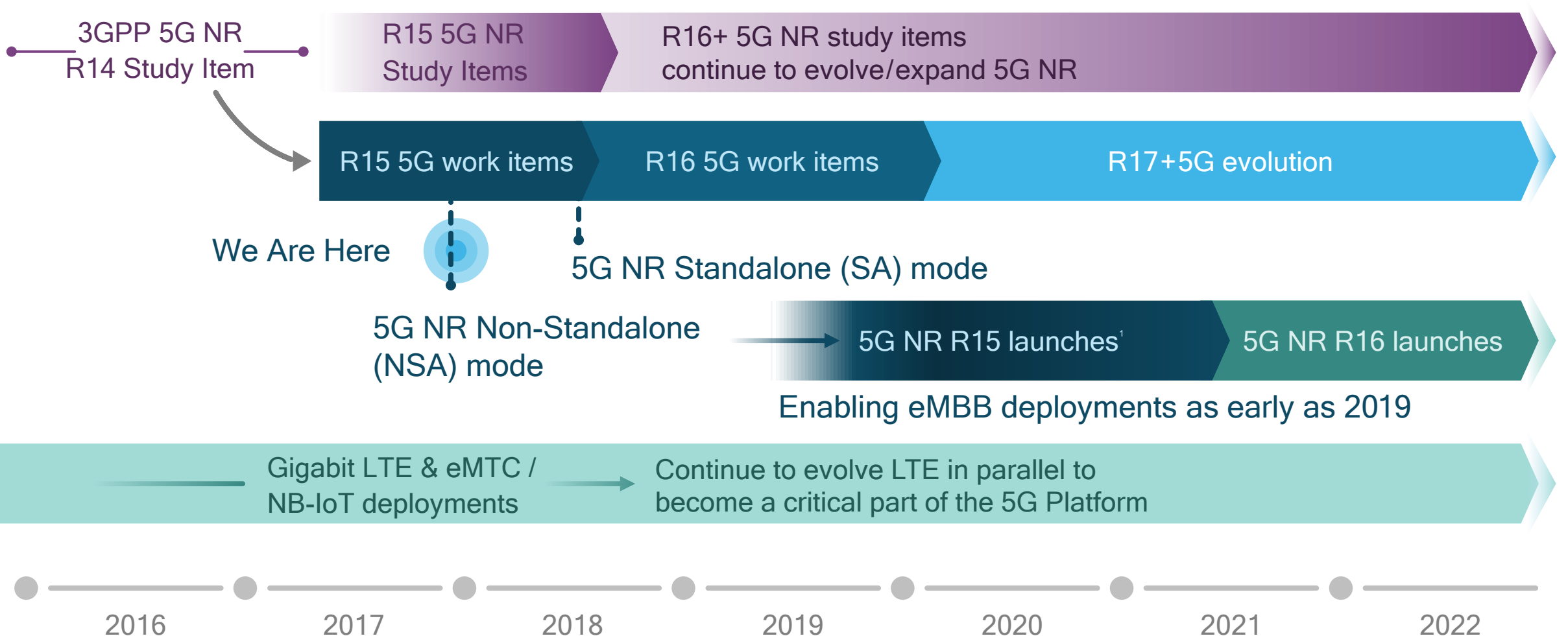
# Mobilizing 5G mmWave in real-world environments





# Accelerating 5G NR - the global 5G standard

To meet the global demand for enhanced mobile broadband



1. Forward compatibility with R16 and beyond





# We are accelerating the path to 5G NR

Best-in-class 5G  
prototype systems  
and testbeds



Test, demonstrate and verify  
our innovative 5G designs to  
contribute to and drive  
standardization

5G standards,  
technology and  
research leadership



Such as advanced channel  
coding, self-contained  
subframe, mobilizing  
mmWave, ...

Impactful trials and  
early deployments with  
network operators



Over-the-air interoperability  
testing leveraging prototype  
systems and our leading  
global network experience

Modem and RFFE  
leadership to solve  
5G complexity



Snapdragon X50  
5G Modem Family

Announced the world's  
first 5G NR multimode  
modems for premium  
smartphones in 2019

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