



# 5G/LTE: A Game Changer for Electric Utilities?

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# Topics for Our Discussion Today

- I. What is 5G/LTE?
  - Overview of the technologies
  - Overview of the application potential for utilities
- 2. Why could 5G/LTE be a game changer for utilities?
- 3. What are some of the implications and considerations that utilities must consider?
- 4. What are CESI and EnerNex doing to further define the options and potential synergies?
- 5. Questions and Answers



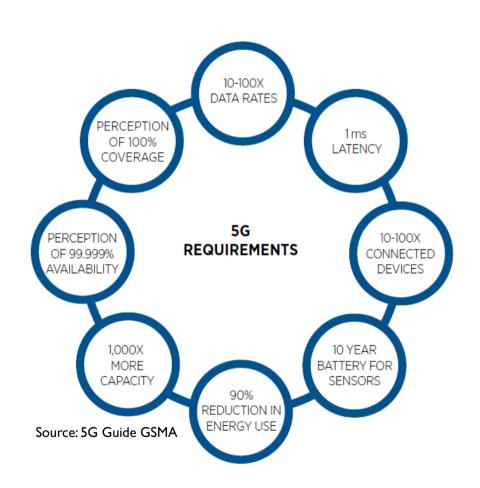


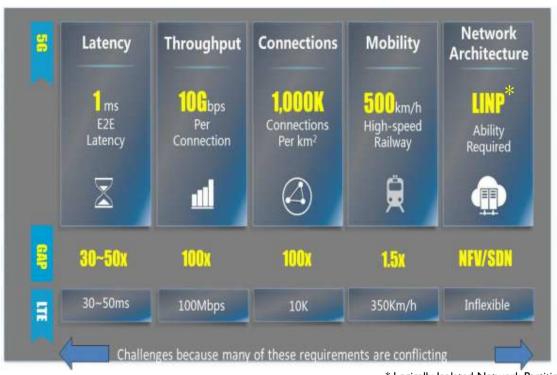


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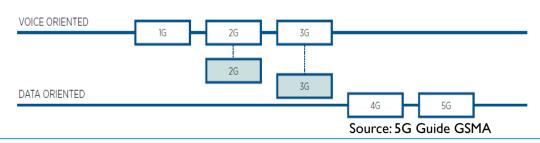
#### International Mobile Telecommunications-2020 (IMT-2020 Standard) 5G Requirements





\* Logically Isolated Network Partitions

4G AND 5G ARE BASED ON THE SAME TECHNOLOGY PHILOSOPHY





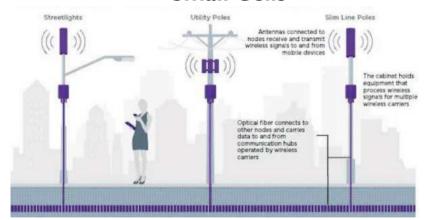
## Some of the Key Technology Innovations to Meet these Requirements

# New Spectrum – Higher Frequency Bands – expanded bandwidth



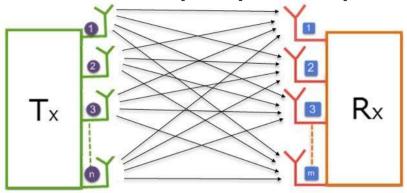
Source: Qualcomm

#### **Small Cells**

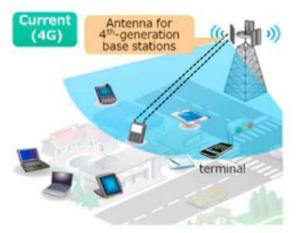


Source: Crown Castle

#### **MIMO Multiple Inputs Multiple Outputs**



#### **Beamforming**

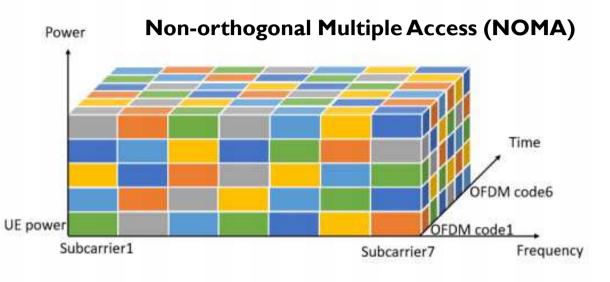




Source: IEEE Communications Society



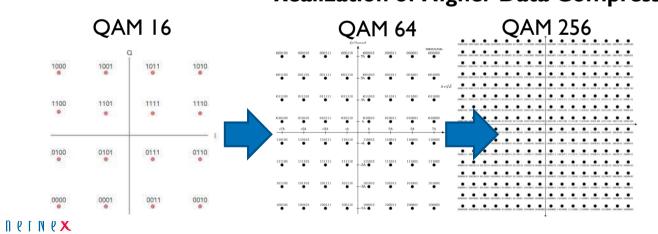
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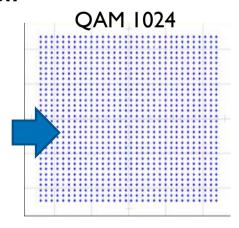


#### **Network Slicing (NFV/SDN)**



#### **Realization of Higher Data Compression**

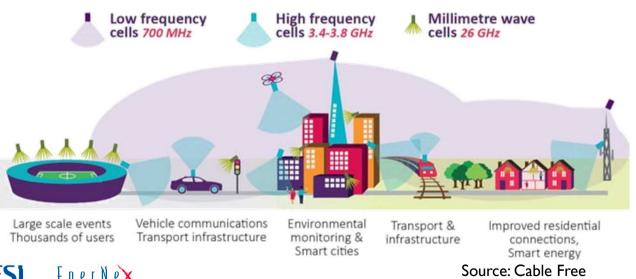


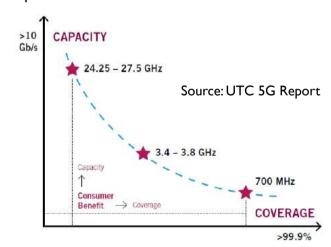


#### **Technology Overview**

#### ► U.S. 5G Spectrum bands

- Low-band: 600MHz; 800 MHz; 900MHz wide coverage, rural in-building
- Mid-band: 2.5 GHz; 3.5GHz, 3.7-4.2GHz above UHF carry large data suited for small antenna
- High (millimeter band) 24GHz, 28GHz; 37GHz, 39GHz, 47GHz
  - Millimeter band Characteristics: Very High Bandwidth very poor penetration (line of sight)
  - o Targeted areas: Dense population/ fixed wireless/ broadband wired service replacement small cells





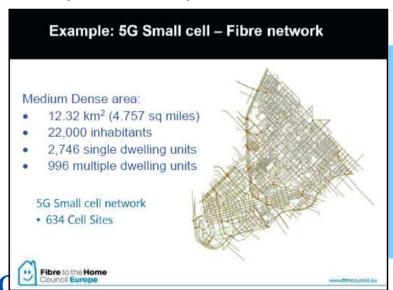
Verizon and AT&T are focused on rolling out mmWave 5 G T-Mobile (Sprint) focused on rolling out low-band

#### Speed Comparison

| Generation     | 2G       | 3 <b>G</b> | 3G HSPA+ | 4 G      | 4G LTE-A       | 5 <b>G</b>    |
|----------------|----------|------------|----------|----------|----------------|---------------|
| Max Speed      | 0.3 Mbps | 7.2 Mbps   | 42 Mbps  | 150 Mbps | 300 M – I Gbps | I-10 Gbps     |
| Average Speed* | 0.1 Mbps | 5 Mbps     | 5 Mbps   | 10 Mbps  | 15-50 Mbps     | 50 Mps and up |

<sup>\*</sup>Average speed is dependent on many factors such as network density, topology congestion and spectrum allocations

Although 5G will be able to deliver higher speeds, the main difference end-users will notice will be the extra-low latency on 5G compared to 3G or 4G — this will open up new applications in the Internet of Things space.



High-data rate 5G networks using millimeter wave technology will require much denser infrastructure – dense networks of small cells, an order of magnitude greater than currently. This presents enormous challenges in finding sites, powering the base stations and backhauling the data.

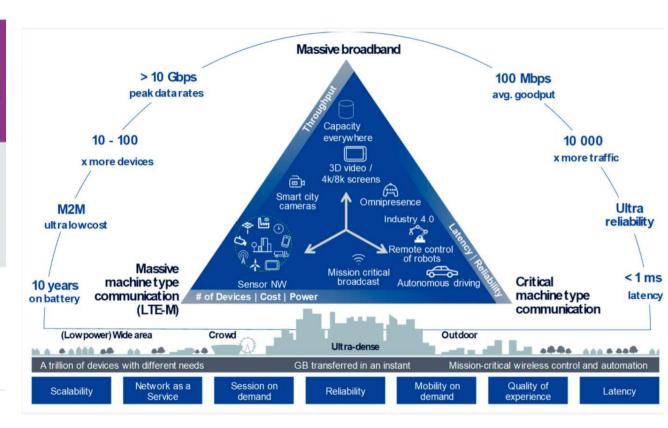
The backhaul will have to be either in-band wireless or dense fiber, or a combination of the two. The Fibre to the Home Council in Europe has developed models as shown to illustrate the densification of wireless networks required for 5G with 634 base station sites required in the relatively small geographic area depicted and the consequential need for dense fiber backhaul.

Source: UTC 5G Cutting through the Hype

#### Flavors of 5G

| Enhanced Mobile<br>Broadband (eMBB)                           | Ultra-Reliable and Low<br>Latency (URLLC)   | Massive Machine-Type<br>Communication (mMTC)                                   |
|---|---|--|
| All data, all the time<br>2 billion people<br>on social media | Ultra-high reliability<br>Ultra-responsive  | 30 billion "things"<br>connected<br>Low cost, low energy                       |
| 500 km/h mobility<br>10-20 Gbps peak<br>data rates            | <1 ms air interface<br>latency<br>5 ms end-to-end latency<br>99.9999% reliable<br>50 kbps – 10 Mbps | 105 to 106 devices per<br>km2<br>1-100 kbps per device<br>10-year battery life |

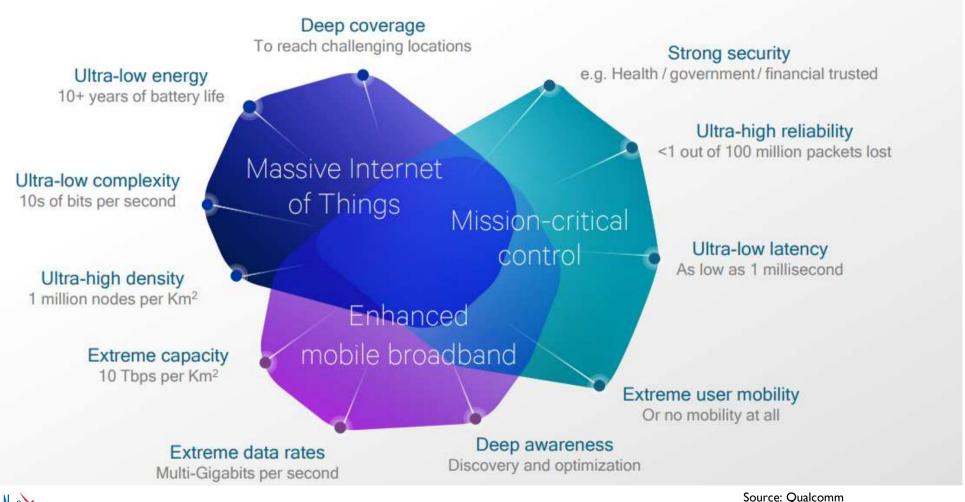
Source: Keysight Technologies ABC of 5G



Source: J. Varga, A. Hilt, C. Rotter and G. Járó, "Providing Ultra-Reliable Low Latency Services for 5G with Unattended Datacenters,"



#### **5G** Application Areas

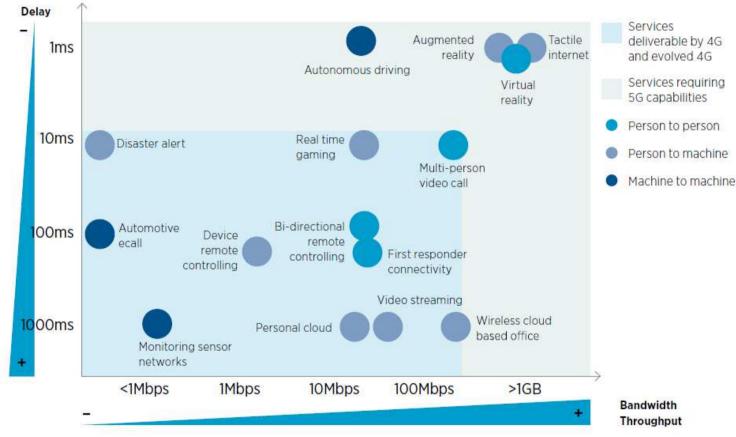


#### 5G General Purpose Use Cases

- Improved Broadband
- Autonomous Vehicles
- Public Safety & Infrastructure
- Remote Device Control
- Healthcare
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Below I GHz Longer Range IoT
- IGHz to 6 GHz wider band low latency
- Above 6 GHz extreme bandwidth, shorter range

FIGURE 1.2.4

#### 5G WILL SUPPORT LOW LATENCY AND HIGH THROUGHPUT SERVICES



Source: Thales 5 G networks





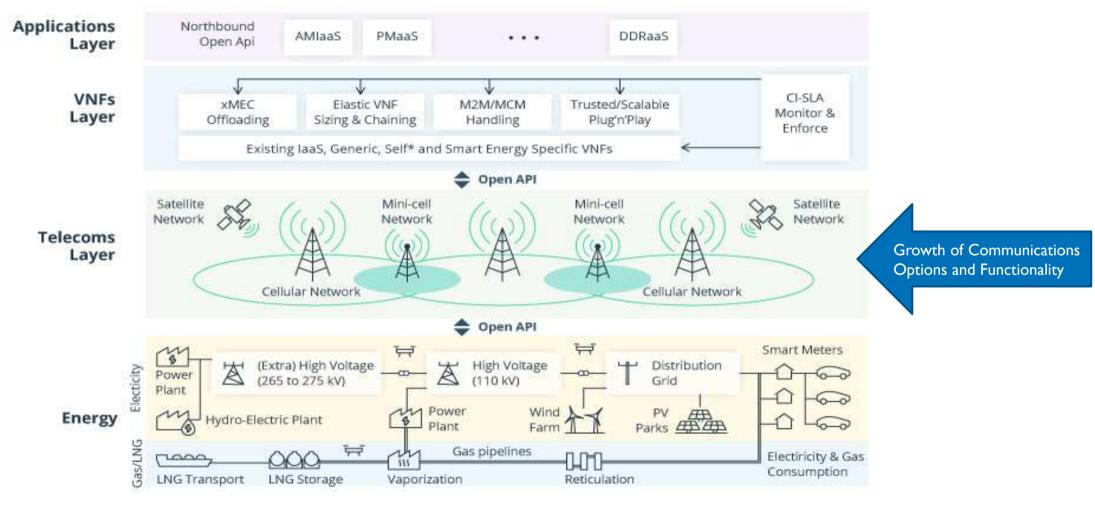


# 2. Why 5G Could Be A Game Changer for Utilities?

► Potential Applications



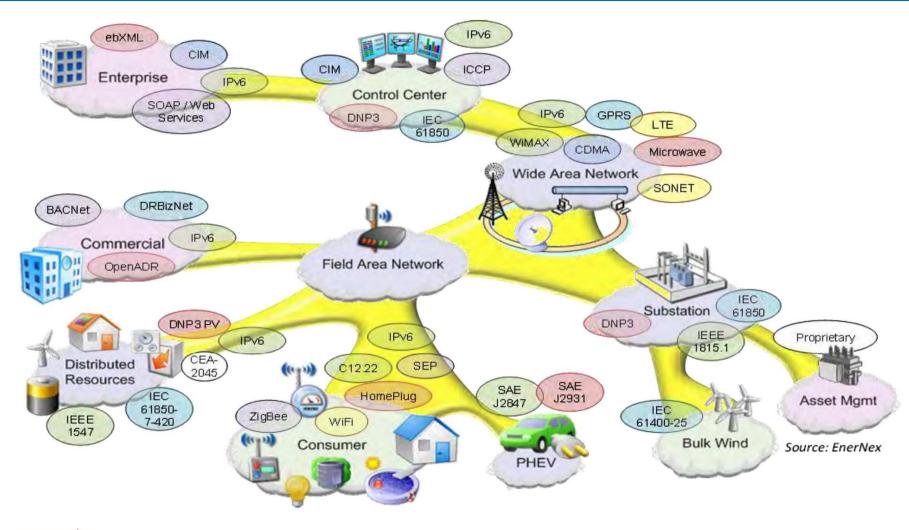
## A Smarter Grid Enabled by Improved Telecommunications



Source: Smart Grid: a demanding use case for 5G Technologies – White paper EE Department University of Applied Science of Central Greece

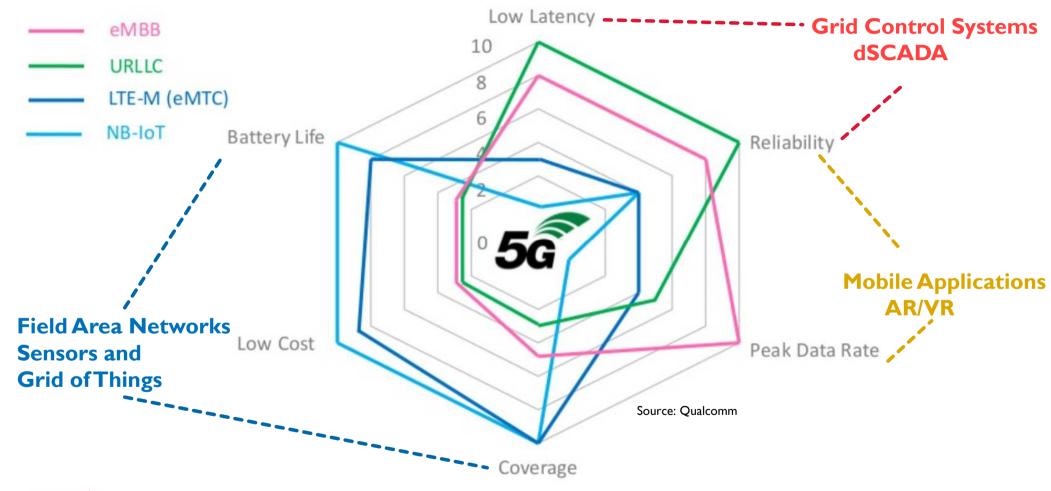


# Communications Networks in the Utility Environment





# Mapping of 5G Capabilities to Utility Application Areas



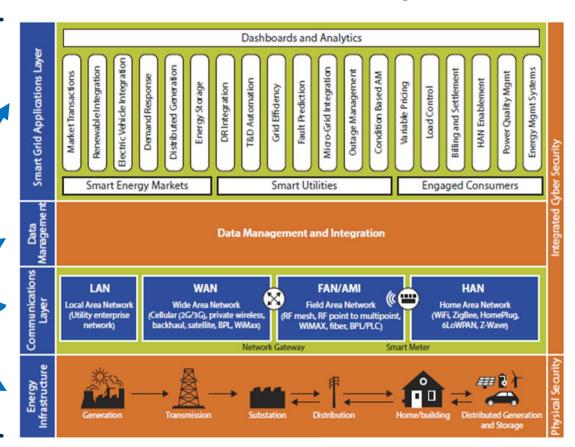
#### Edge Sensors, Communications, Data Management and Application Integration

# **Directional Alignment**

(Comprehensive Grid Modernization Focus)

Topical Alignment (Grid Modernization Component Focus)

#### **Grid Modernization Components**







#### Low Power Wide Area (LPWA) technologies

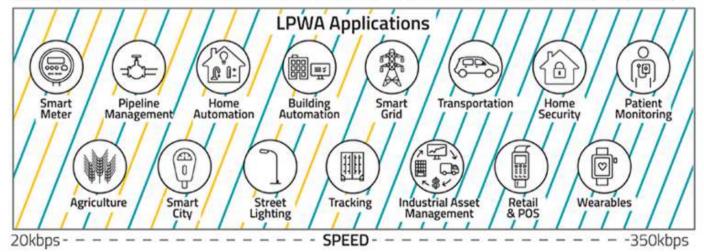
| Attribute        | CAT-M1<br>(LTE-M)   | CAT-NB1<br>(NB-loT) |
|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Voice Capability | Yes                 | No                  |
| Mobility         | Full                | Partial             |
| Data Rate        | 375 kbps            | 20-65 kbps          |
| Latency          | Fast (~same as LTE) | Medium              |

#### NB-IoT 5G ready LTE-M / eMTC / Cat-M 5G ready

- · Focused on very low data rates
- Ideal for simpler static sensor applications

- · Highest bandwidth of any LPWA technology
- · Ideal for fixed and mobile applications

Batch Communication \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ LATENCY \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ Real-Time Communication

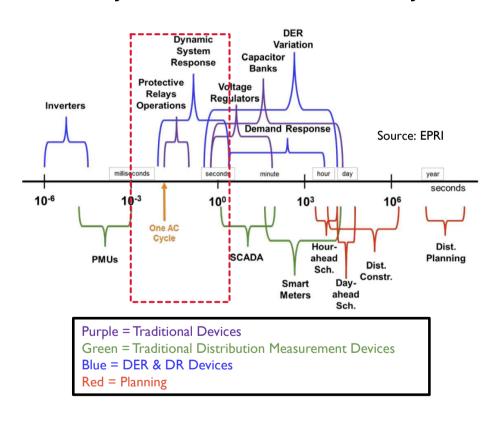


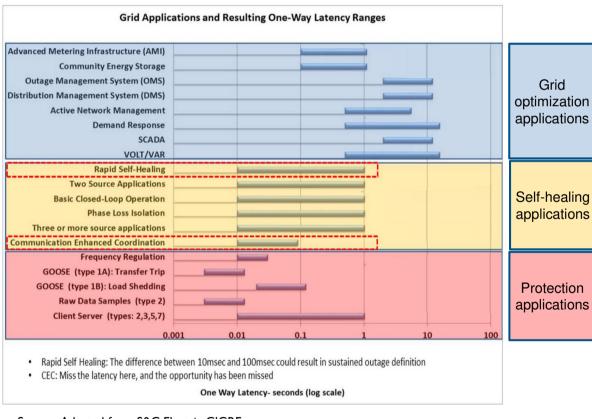


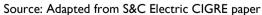
Source: Ericsson

## Low Latency - SCADA and Distribution Control Systems

All grid devices are not the same and require different communications parameters - one of the key considerations is latency (i.e., data transmission speed/timing)



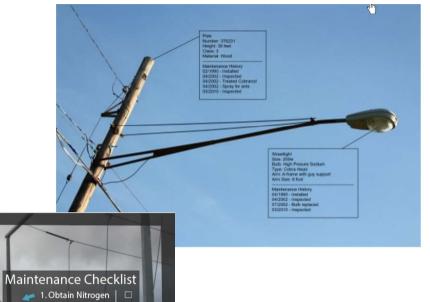






# High Bandwidth - Augmented/Virtual Reality AR/VR





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# High Bandwidth- Unmanned Aerial Vehicles













Photo courtesy of San Diego Gas & Electric Co.

Using drones to inspect power lines will save time and money, say San Diego Gas & Electric officials.







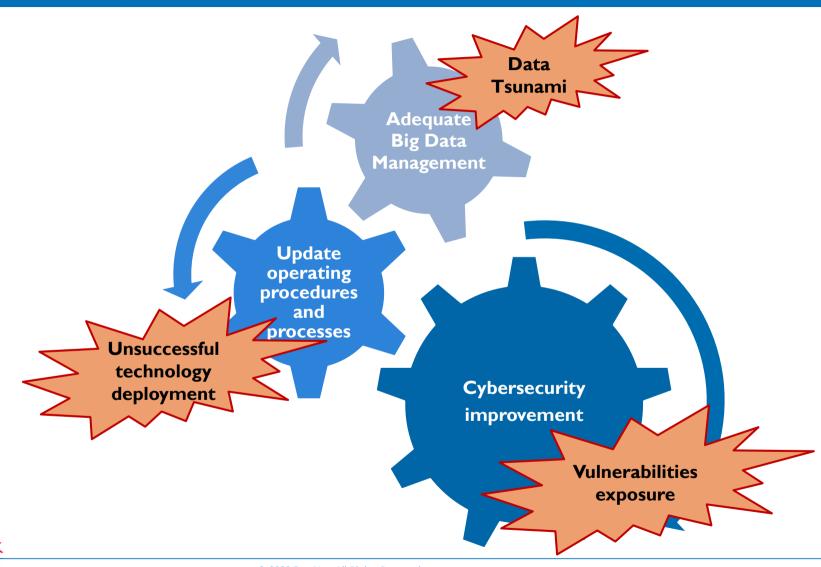
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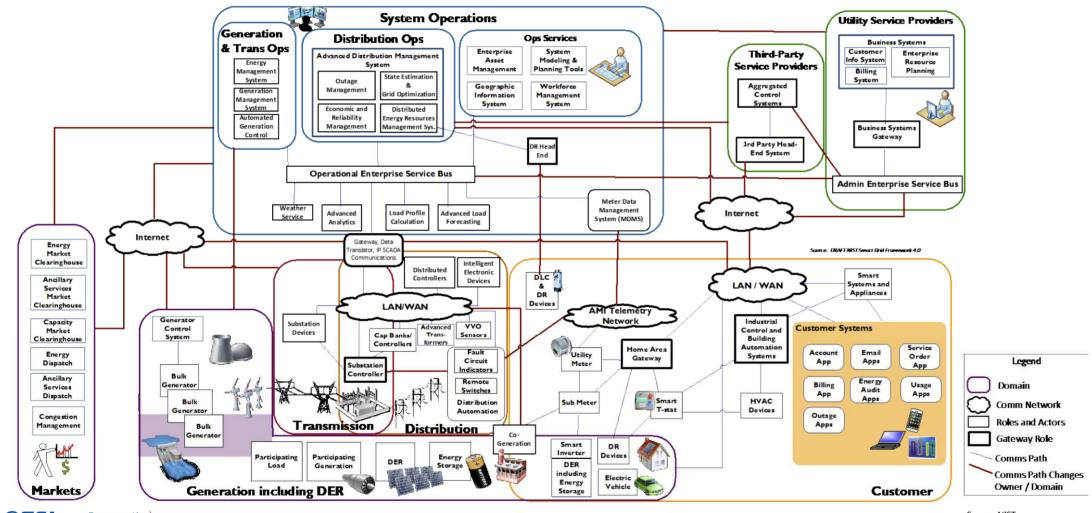
# Main Implications Coming From 5G Introduction

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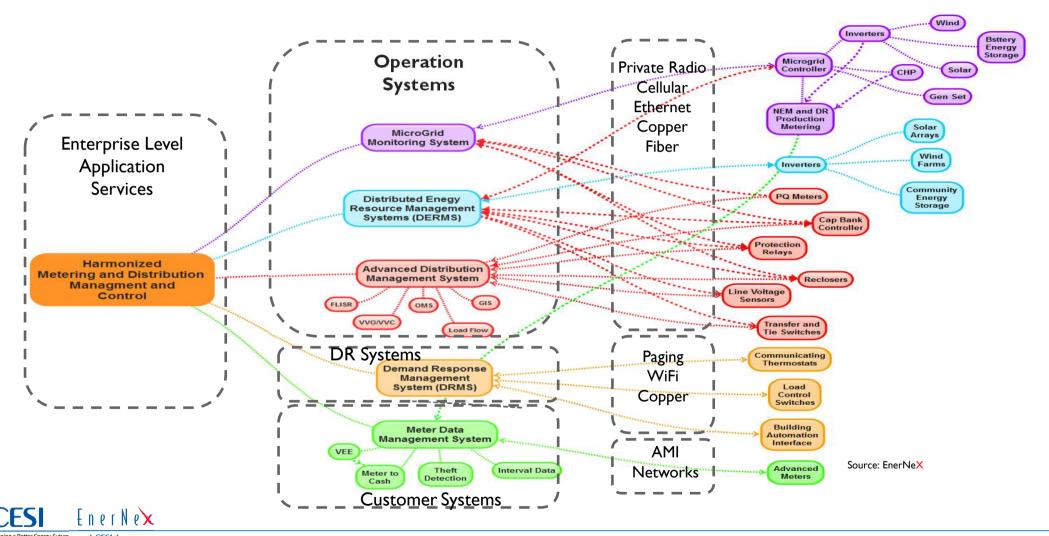


# NIST Smart Grid Logical Model V4.0 – High-DER Communications



Source: NIST

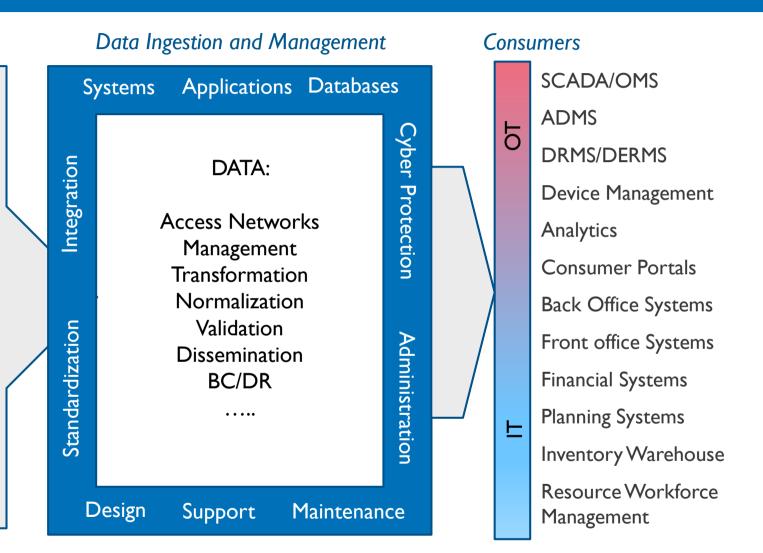
#### Alignment of sensors, telecommunications networks and system ingestion



#### OT/IT Bridging the Divide

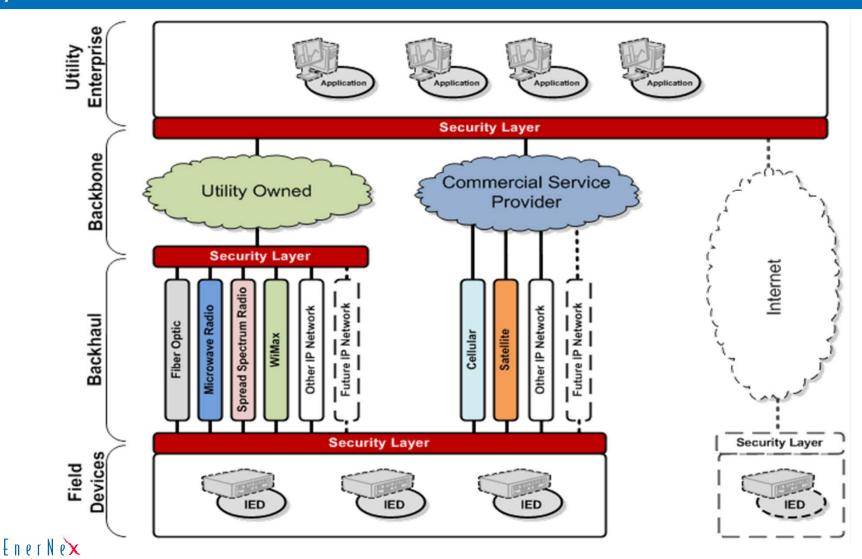
#### Sources often driven by OT needs

- IED
- Sensors
- AMI
- Grid Edge Devices
- Cap Bank Controllers
- Inverters
- EV Chargers
- Renewable Resources
- Storage
- Distribution Automation
- Substation/RTU
- etc.



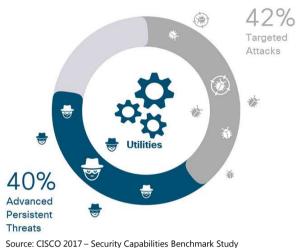


# Trust Layers



Source: EnerNex

#### Cyber Context and Challenges





- New Risks, strictly connected to the new technology:
  - o Enlarged exposure surface
  - Number of connected devices
     and shared network resources
- Increased likelihood of existing threats

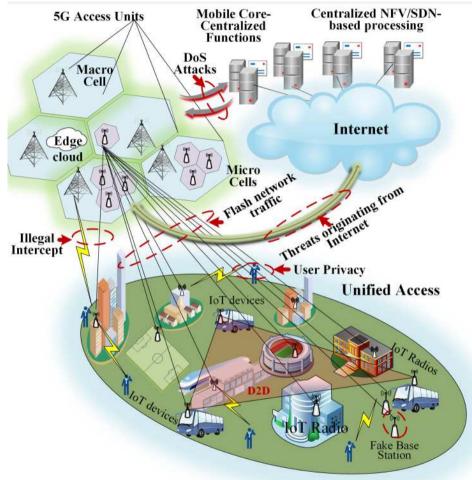
"Security by Design"
principle:
if security is not
projected from the
beginning surely there will
be problems

Large majority of industrial equipment are based on legacy infrastructure

Cybersecurity implementation and update are needed



#### Cyber Risks and Threat Vectors



Source: White Paper: Overview of 5G Security Challenges and Solutions Ijaz Ahmad, Tanesh Kumar, Madhusanka Liyanage, Jude Okwuibe, Mika Ylianttila, Andrei Gurto IEEE Communications March 2018

Flash network traffic: High number of end-user devices and IoT.

**Security of radio interfaces:** Radio interface encryption keys sent over insecure channels.

**User plane integrity:** No cryptographic integrity protection for the user data plane.

**Mandated security in the network:** Service-driven constraints on the security architecture leading to the optional use of security measures.

**Roaming security:** User-security parameters are not updated with roaming from one operator network to another, leading to security compromises with roaming.

**Denial of Service (DoS) attacks on the infrastructure:** Visible nature of network control elements, and unencrypted control channels.

**Signaling storms:** Distributed control systems requiring coordination, e.g. Non-Access Stratum (NAS) layer of Third Generation Partnership Project (3GPP) protocols.

**DoS** attacks on end-user devices: No security measures for operating systems, applications, and configuration data on user devices.

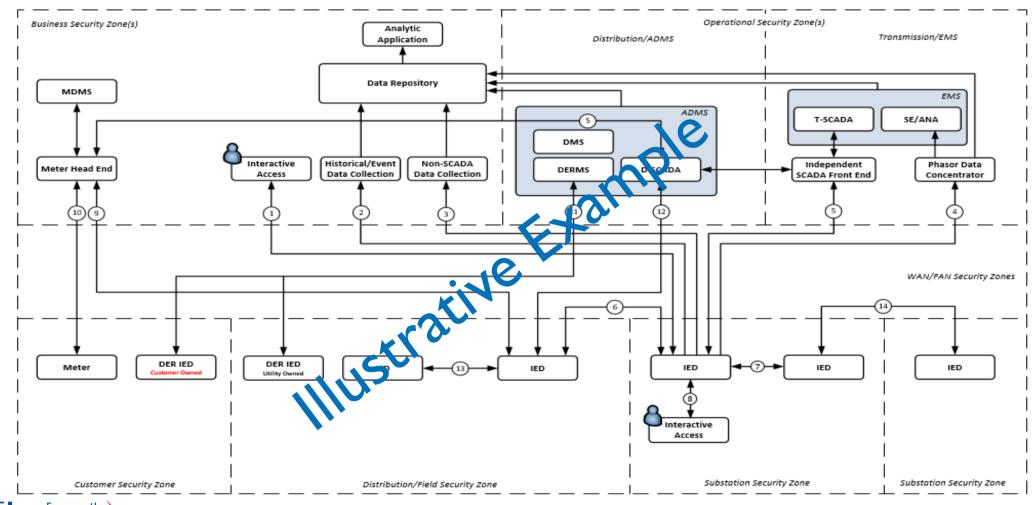




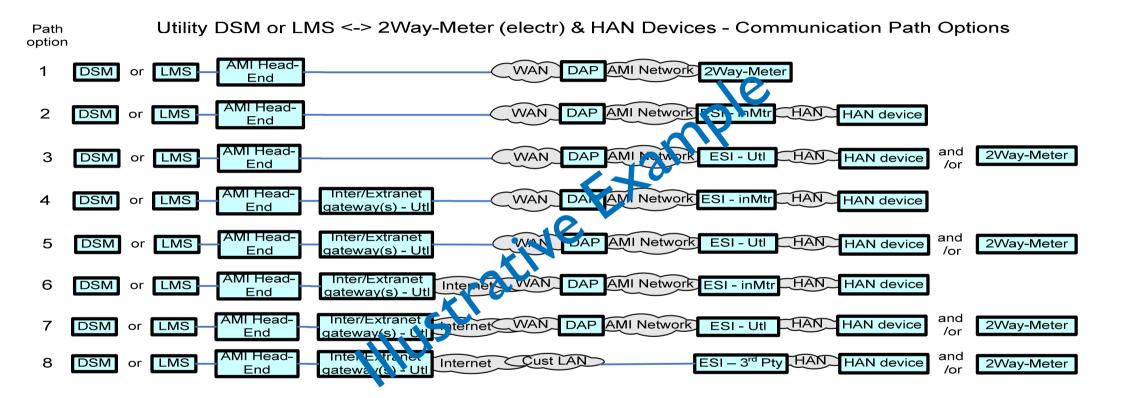
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# **Enterprise Level Pathway Tracing**

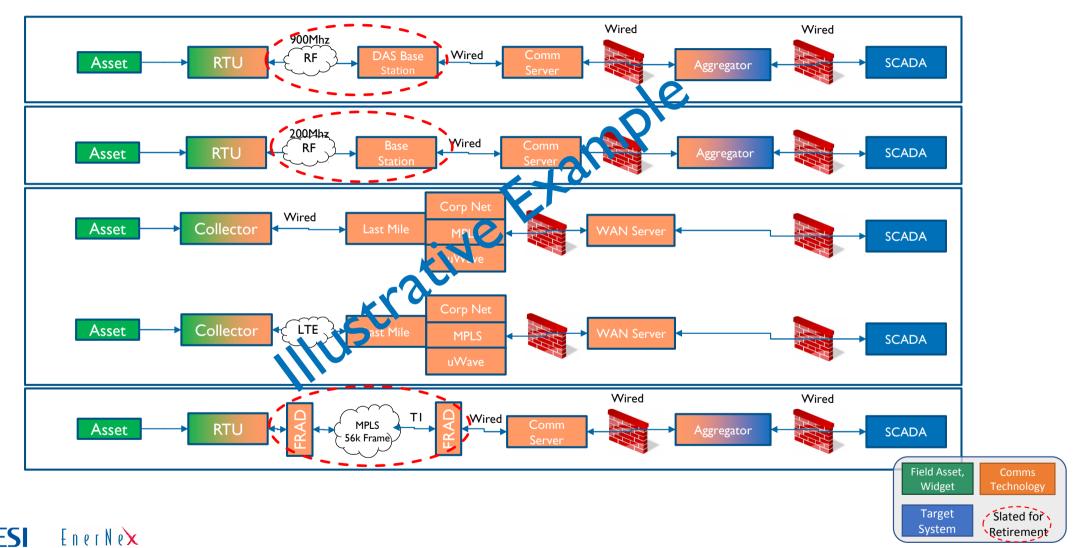


#### Sensor Pathway Mapping



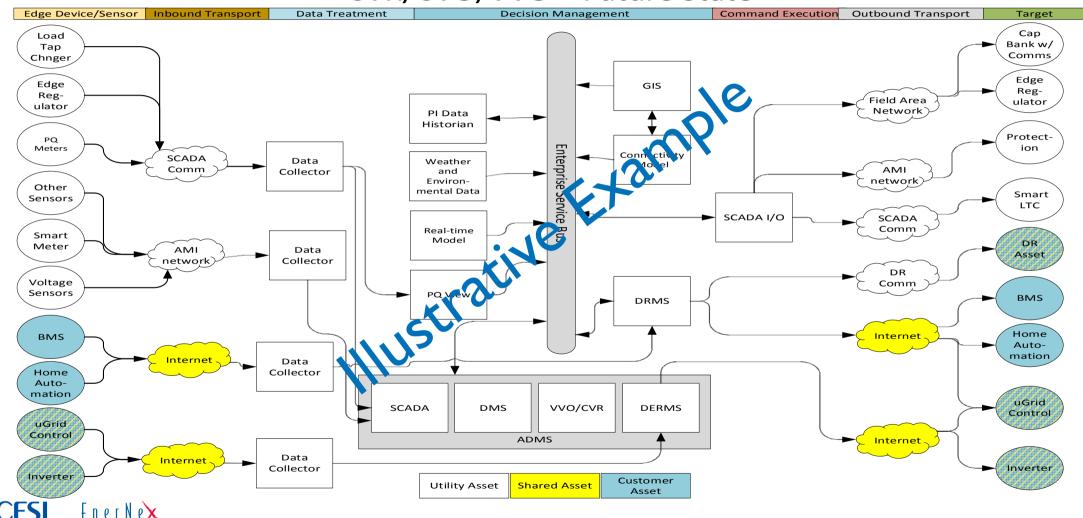


# Asset, Communications and Target Mapping



# Application Decomposition: Sensors, Telecommunication Network and Systems Mapping

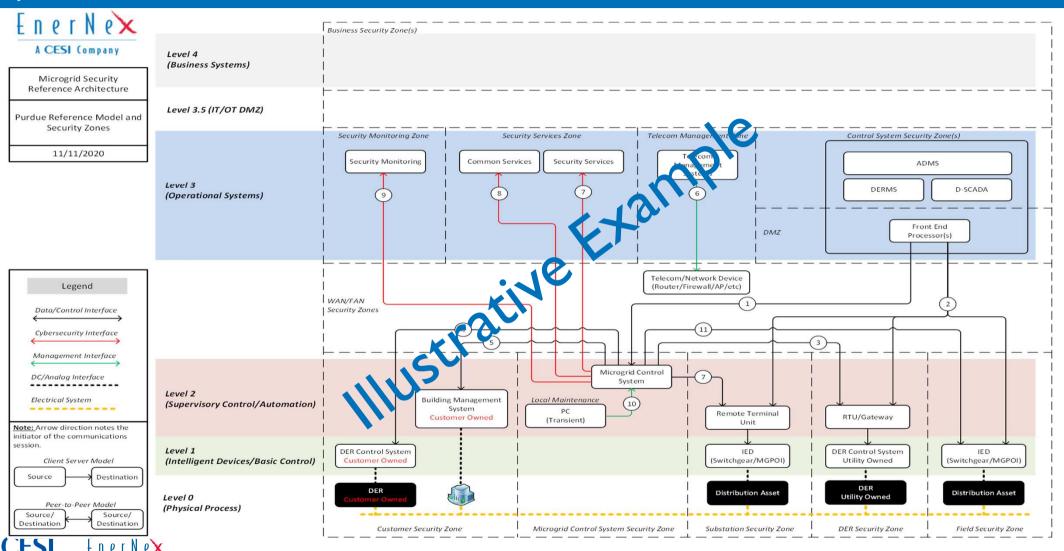
#### CVR/CVO/VVO — Future State



# Cyber Trust Level Assessment

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## Physical Siting Issues with Small Cells – Survey and Study on Behalf of DSTAR\*

Installing the necessary equipment on utility poles requires getting clearance from utility companies, cities, and towns. But this has been a mixed bag in various jurisdictions. So much so that the FCC has established new rules to reduce federal regulatory impediments to deploying the small-cells, including limits on the use fees that cities and towns can charge wireless carriers and a timeline to approve or disapprove small-cell siting applications.









<sup>\*</sup> GE Consulting: DSTAR (Distribution System Testing Application and Research)













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