# Interpretation of the WiMAX Standards:

- What are the mandatory fields for Interoperability?
- What Features do Operators want to incorporate?

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### Mobile WiMAX Use Case Scenarios







Business case	<ul> <li>Broadband beyond copper reach</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Last mile access, avoiding unbundled line cost</li> <li>Mobility addition to DSL</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complementing mobile services to personal broadband</li> </ul>
Services	<ul> <li>VoIP, fax, Internet, public services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Broadband Internet, VoIP</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mobile data and voice</li> </ul>
Terminals	<ul> <li>CPE with VoIP</li> </ul>	<ul><li>CPE with VoIP</li><li>Tablet, laptop, USB</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Handset, laptop</li> </ul>
Coverage	• Villages	Metropolitan	Global roaming



# The MobileWiMAX Standards Suite

### Mobile WiMAX Architecture Framework



Main WiMAX Standardization Areas: Radio – Network – Roaming



### **WiMAX Standards Development**



WiMAX Forum Standardization extended the legacy 3-stage process to 6 stages to establish certified interoperability in Mobile WiMAX.

### **The WiMAX Standards Suite**



WiMAX Forum introduces common document identification format, e.g.

- WMF-T33-001-R015v01\_Network-Stage3-Base.pdf
- WMF-T42-001-R010v02\_WRI-Stage-2-Overview.pdf





### **Overview of WiMAX Releases**



### Mobile WiMAX Radio Releases

#### Release 1.0

Underlying Radio Standard IEEE802.16e-2005

#### Key Technology Attributes

- Channel BW up to 10MHz
- Focus on TDD
- MIMO
- All IP end to end network
- QoS Support
- Projected Peak Performance: —up to 40Mbps DL

#### **Applications**

VolP

#### Timeline

1<sup>st</sup> Mobile WiMAX Release 1.0 Certified Equipment in 2008

#### Release 1.5

Underlying Radio Standard IEEE802.16-2009

#### Key Enhancements

- Additional Spectrum Bands
- (H)FDD Profile
- MIMO with AMC
- Persistent scheduling for VoIP
- Load balancing
- Projected Peak Performance:
  - up to 140Mbps DL

#### Applications

- Higher VoIP Capacity
- Support for emergency services E-911 & LBS
- Dynamic QoS Provisioning
- Multicast and Broadcast Services

#### Timeline

- Release 1.5 System Profile approval expected 1H2009
- First certified products in 2010

#### Release 2

Underlying Radio Standard IEEE802.16m

#### **Target Enhancements**

- Aimed for IMT-Advanced
- Backwards Compatible with Release 1.5 & 1.0
- Wider Band Channels (TDD & FDD in 5,10, 20MHz)
- Higher Data Rates
  - peak up to 300Mbps
- Higher Spectrum Efficiency
- Lower Latency

#### **Applications**

- Higher throughput
- Higher VoIP capacity

#### Timeline

First certified products expected in 2012



### **Mobile WiMAX Network Releases**

#### Release 1.0

#### Release date: March 2007

• Radio: *Mobile Profile 1.0* 

#### Features

- Mobile and stationary base specification
- ASN anchored mobility
- CSN anchored mobility (CMIP, PMIP)
- IPv4 & optional IPv6 connectivity
- Pre-provisioned/static QoS,
- Idle mode and paging
- Network discovery/selection
- Optional RRM
- EAP-based authentication
- Pre- and Post-paid RADIUS accounting
- Roaming (RADIUS only)
- 3 ASN profiles
- DSL, 3GPP and 3GPP2 Interworking

#### NWIOT Release: March '09

Release 1.0 (NCT/IIOT)

#### Release 1.5

Release date: Aug '09 • Radio: *Mobile Profile 1.0/1.5* 

#### **Additional features**

- Network architecture w/o MIP ('Simple IP', 'Simple ETH')
- IMS and PCC
- Emergency services and lawful intercept for VoIP over WiMAX
- RoHC support
- OTA pre-provisioning and device management
- Location based services
- Diameter based AAA
- Dynamic QoS w/o PCC
- Ethernet services
- Fixed/Nomadic Access
- WIMAX SIM
- Proxy MIPv6
- Universal Services Interface
- Multicast/Broadcast Services
- Single ASN profile
- Pre-Rel 8 and Rel 8 EPC IWK
- Enhancements to 3GPP2 and DSL IWK

#### NWIOT Release: t.b.d.

• Release 1.5 (NCT/IIOT)

#### Release 1.6

Release date: Target Q2 '10 • Radio: *Mobile Profile 1.5* 

#### Additional features

- IPv4/IPv6 Transition
- WIMAX-WIFI IWK
- Femto-cell support
- SON for Femto cells
- DRMD

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- OTA Evolution
- Arch Enhancements, e.g.
  - R6 Flex
  - Inter NAP HO
  - R4 relocations

, • Third-gen. NWIOT framework

Options clean-up

#### Release 2

Release date: t.b.d. • Radio: *Mobile Profile 2* 

### Additional features t.b.d. e.g.

- Multimedia Session Continuity
- Roaming Enhancements
- Network Management
- Emergency Services Support
- Support for Relays

#### NWIOT

• Fourth-generation. NWIOT

### **Mobile WiMAX Performance Enhancements**



#### **Disclaimer:** Relative sector throughput as represented in this slide is based on theoretical simulations and subject to continuous research and development.

Actual capacity gains of individual features are dependent on usage patterns and will vary between operators.

IRC-2

Previous release



### WiMAX coverage solution comparison

	Macro BTS	Pico BTS	Femto Access Point (FAP)	Wi-Fi Access Point	Relay station (RS)
Overview	Dense enough macro network to penetrate buildings.	Gap filler in shopping malls etc. Also outdoor shadow coverage and hotspots.	Subscriber installed WiMAX access point for home coverage.	Subscriber installed Wi-Fi access point for home coverage.	Concentrate existing WiMAX capacity and coverage to areas of high usage.
Ownership and operations	Always operator owned and managed.		Operator manages automated setup and SW updates. Subscriber owns the FAP and can control access list.	Both managed and unmanaged Wi-Fi versions exist.	RS always operator owned and managed.
Backhaul transport	Typically fixed wireline transport, or microwave radios. DSL or Cable modem also possible.		DSL or Cable modem		RS with inband transport.
Network planning	Radio network plan needed. Indoor Pico typically not planned but often has dedicated carrier.		No planning, adhoc deployment by the subscribers. Licensed band but separate from macro.	No planning, adhoc deployment by the subscribers. Unlicensed frequency band.	RS planning like in Pico or macro.
Sites	Rooftop and tower sites typically shared	Wall mounted	Subscriber homes		RS like Pico or macro.



### **Macro BTS**



### Indoor coverage by dense macro network

Pros

- Use existing macro network also for indoor coverage
- No need to specialize for the indoor case
- Contiguous coverage layer with full mobility

- Deep indoor coverage limited
- Adjusting macro site density is often not feasible
- Most users near cell edge
  - Limits site capacity



### **Pico BTS**



# Large indoor spaces and outdoor gap filler

Pros

- All-in-one compact base station
- Fast installation and rollout
- Unobtrusive wall mounting
- Integrated GPS receiver for synchronization

- Weak GPS signal indoors
- Challenging indoor site security
- Large number of sites



### Femto Access Point (FAP)



## Subscriber installed WiMAX access point for home coverage

Pros

- Simple installation without planning and installation effort by operator
- Same terminal at home and outdoors
- Shared broadband Internet backhaul
- Offload subscribers from macro

- No control over the transport backhaul, site (home) or the FAP device
- RF interference
- Synchronization when deep indoor
- Managing huge number of sites
- Challenging handover to Femto from macro
- Standard not ready
- Need subscriber support and help desk



### **Wi-Fi Access Point**



#### Existing Wi-Fi access point for indoor coverage

Pros

- Simple installation and operation without operator involvement
- Standard technology
- Leveraging installed base of access points and devices
- Leveraging existing broadband Internet backhaul
- No need for TDD synchronization

- Less mobility features than in 'plain' WiMAX coverage
- No control over the transport backhaul, site (home) or the Wi-Fi device
- QoS and security differs



### Relay station (RS)



#### Leverage spare WiMAX Capacity to extend Coverage

#### Pros

- Inband transport obviates the need for wired backhaul
- Synchronization to upstream BTS obviates the need for GPS
- All standard WiMAX Forum mobility, QoS and security features supported
- Simple Installation

- Challenging indoor site security
- IEEE 802.16j relay station standards not yet adopted by WiMAX Forum
- Reduced WiMAX capacity for subscribers



### WiMAX Coverage Solutions Summary

- Blanket macro coverage outdoors is the first step
- Several indoor solution alternatives
  - Extend macro cells to indoors
  - Add pico capacity to fill the gaps
  - Add femto capacity to fill the gaps
  - Use Wi-Fi in the homes and offices
  - Relay Stations at the horizon

Keep in mind:

- Efficient transport and site solutions needed
  - Consider sharing / interworking with existing technologies
  - Consider capacity growth and standards in the network evolution





### Conclusion

- Mobile WiMAX provides a rich set of options to fit all kind of deployments.
- Unique features, you wont find in other cellular radio technologies, e.g.:
  - NAP sharing
    - support for wholesale and network sharing
  - EAP based authentication
    - support for all kind of back-end user authentication
  - Simple IP network model
    - less complex network solution for nomadic access, upgradeable to full mobility
  - Ethernet Services support
    - easy to adopt to DSL networks
  - Certified network interfaces
    - plenty of interoperable products
  - Single radio WiFi/WiMAX solutions
    - less expensive terminal solutions

#### WiMAX is the best wireless solution for providing broadband Internet access.



