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PROTOTYPING CONVERGENCE SERVICES FOR BROADBAND NETWORKS

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Market Trends and Forecasts

- Mobility
 - Internet usage patterns and behaviour are migrating to the mobile arena
- New Expectations
 - Subscribers have the same communication expectations whether at home or on the "go"
- User Centric
 - Rather than technology driving user behaviour, this change is user-centric driven by us as consumers as well as business users
 - We rapidly take up new services and new ways of using them and the technology has to keep up with this
- Consumer and Business User needs
 - Similar in terms of convenience and being constantly connected, with users joggling the roles of professional and private life



The Power of Users (1)



ITunes

Over **4 billion songs**, **125 million TV** episodes and **8 million movies** have been purchased and downloaded from iTunes

Source: Apple, September 2008



Facebook

More than **400 million** active users, 50% of our active users log on to Facebook in any given day. Average user has 130 friends. People spend over **500 billion minutes per month** on Facebook

Source: Facebook, June 2010



YouTube

More than **100 million video** views are generated on YouTube **every day** – it would take over 400 years to view them all

Source: YouTube, Sept 2008



Business Today

Increased demand for connectivity will create a nearly **\$1 trillion** market by 2013 alone in the US and Canada.

Source: Yankee Group, June 2010

Multimedia is user-centric and the evolution is driven by us as the internet goes mobile



The Power of Users (2)

	As at 31 March 2010/ For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 March 2009	As at 31 December 2009/ For the period from 1 October 2009 to 31 December 2009
Customer Base	538.89 million	522.28 million
Net Additional Customers	16.60 million	13.92 million
Average Revenue per User per Month (ARPU) (RMB/User/Month)	70	80
*Total Voice Usage Volume (Minutes)	796.47 billion	785.04 billion
Average Minutes of Usage per User per Month (MOU) (Minutes/User/Month)	508	503
Average Revenue per Minute of Usage (RMB)	0.137	0.159
Number of Value-Added Business Users	508.44 million	463.39 million
Number of MMS Users	155.02 million	147.54 million
Number of Wireless Music Users	433.19 million	406.22 million
*SMS Usage Volume (Messages)	178.3 billion	173.5 billion
Number of Employees	148,610	145,954
Labor Productivity (Customers/Employee)	3,626	3,578

Source: China Mobile Ltd, March 2010



Full Service Broadband – a consumer proposition



Meeting user demands for convenient and cost effective broadband – **any service, any screen, anywhere**



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Broadband Networks – Evolved Packet System (EPS)

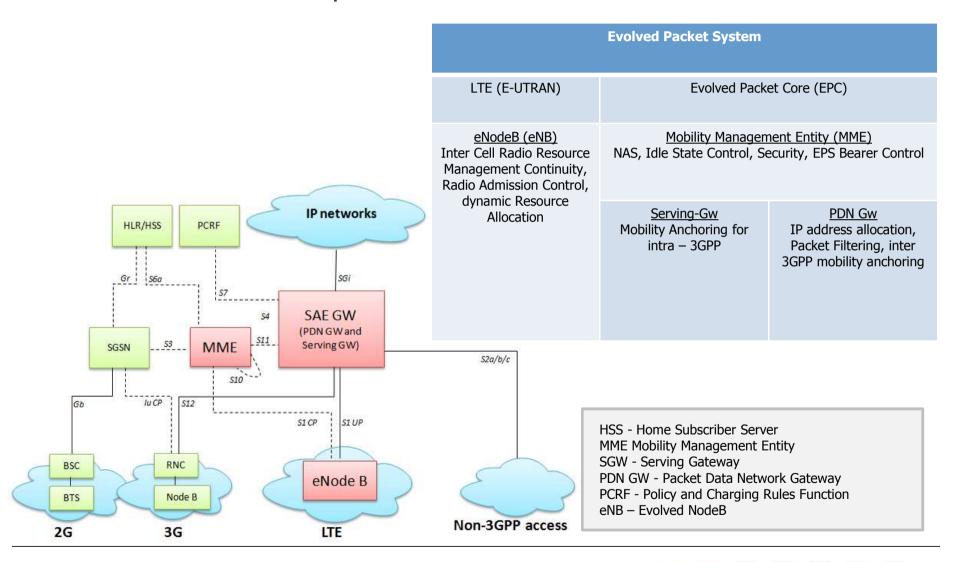
- 3GPP required a network architecture able to support the characteristics of E-UTRAN
- The study point to generate such network architecture was called the "System Architecture Evolution" (SAE)
- SAE objective was:
 - "to develop a framework for an evolution or migration of the 3GPP system to a higher-data-rate, lower-latency, packet-optimized system that supports, multiple RATs. The focus of this work is on the PS domain with the assumption that voice services are supported in this domain"
- The result of that study is a new simplified All-IP architecture which fulfills the requirements of NMGN: the "Evolved Packet Core" (EPC)
- Evolved Packet Core + LTE access technology (E-UTRAN) = Evolved Packet System (EPS)
- The EPS is an IP network and uses the standard routing and transport mechanisms of the underlying IP network.

Broadband Networks – Evolved Packet Core

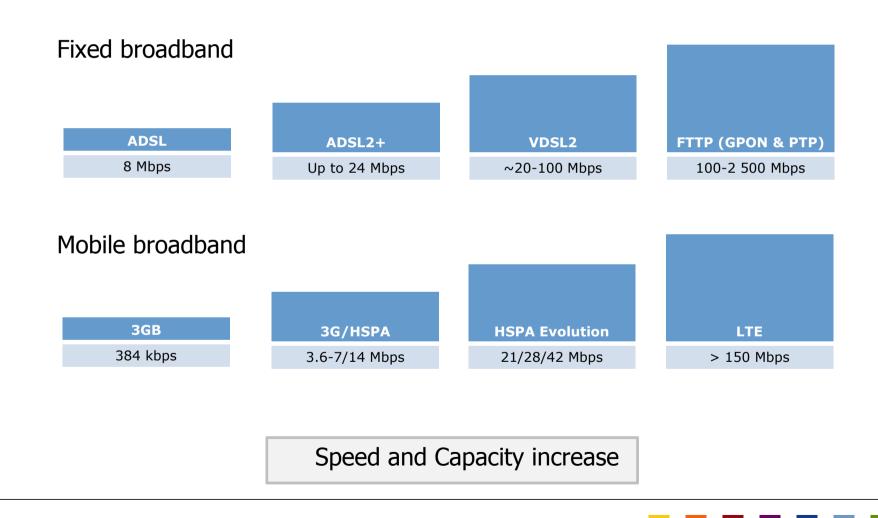
- EPC is an efficient standard based all IP core network architecture supporting the next generation of full service Broadband
- EPC is an important step forward for operators seeking to secure success for the long term
- Key Features
 - Everywhere coverage, always on Broadband access for fixed, nomadic and mobile users, enabling a richer variety of services and better user experience
 - Easy upgrade from existing technologies
 - Serves high capacity mobile broadband. For subscribers, excellence in mobility speed and quality is of utmost importance. EPC delivers this to any screen, anywhere.
 - Facilitates fully multi-service converged core multiple access technologies and interworking with legacy 3GPP and 3GPP2 networks. This means that both GSM, WCDMA and CDMA networks can evolve to LTE and evolve to EPC
 - It also enables a common core network for Fixed Mobile Convergence (FMC) which reduces the cost of ownership and facilitates development towards multiservice subscriber offerings



3 GPP EPS Functional Split between LTE and EPC



The Power of Technology



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How should legacy telephony services fit into Broadband Networks?

Despite the increase in data rate from services such as facebook, YouTube or ITunes, for Operators the key generating revenue services remains voice-telephony and SMS services.

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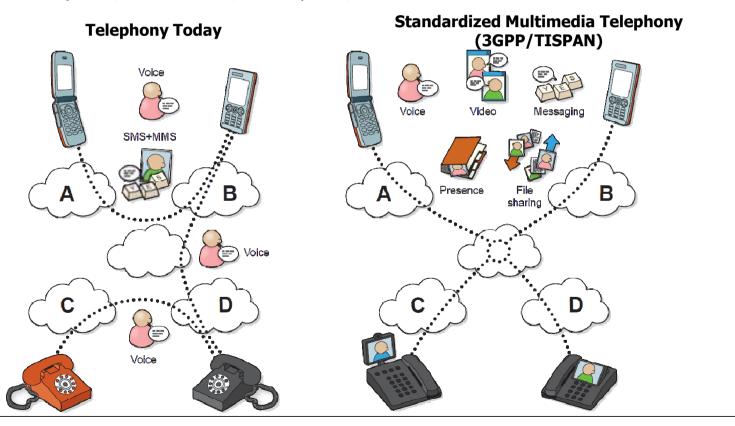






Requirements for modern voice telephony services

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	Multimedia	Multi-point	Multi-rate
•	Media Type: audio, still images, or full motion video or a combination of these media types. Each medium demands different	 Call Participants: setup of connection to two or more people Direction: can be one-way or two-way communication 	 Flexible allocation of transmission capacity to connections Support for a wide range of bit- rates; audio (1Kbps - 100s
	requirements on the network in terms of: • Bandwidth & QoS • Signal latency • Signal fidelity	 Control: connection may be reconfigured many times within the duration of the call 	Kbps), video (1 Mbps – 100s Mbps)

A standard based approach for Voice over Broadband Networks

Solution 1:

Use the IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) mechanism specified in 3GPP Release 5 and realize voice using the MultiMedia Telephony (MMTEL) framework introduced in 3GPP Release 7.

Solution 2:

Stick to the old circuit switched way of providing voice services. The second option would be possible in the EPS network realization by that users temporarily leave the LTE network to perform the voice calls over 2G/3G network, and then return when the voice call is finished.

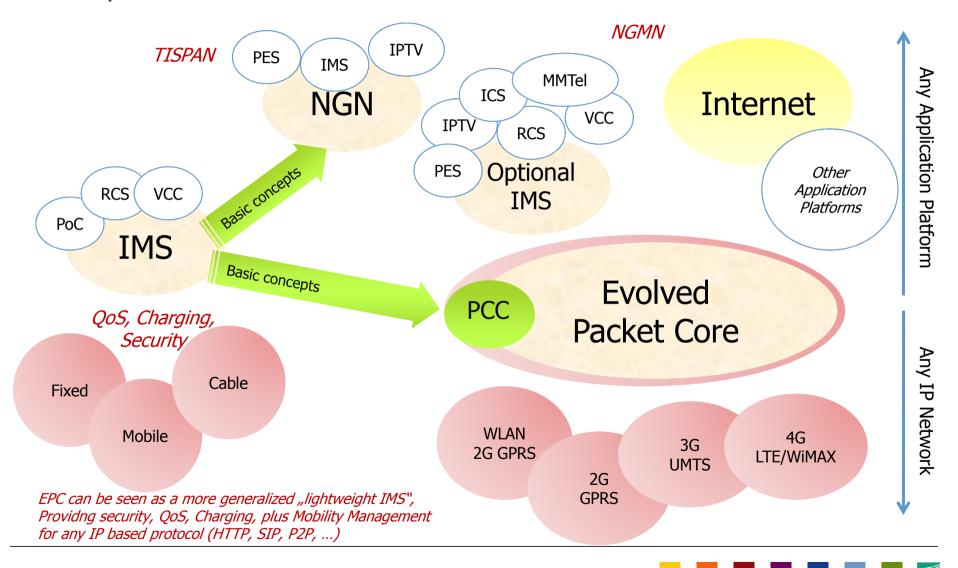


EPS solution to voice services based on Solution 1

2	Legacy voice service	Transition Solution	EPS Solution
_	CS voice	CS Fallback (Rel 8)	IMS VoIP (Rel 7)
	Supplementary Service	CS Fallback (Rel 8)	Multimedia Telephony (Rel 7)
	Emergency Calls with Location Support	CS Emergency Calls (Rel 5)	IMS Emergency Calls with Location



Concept reuse: From IMS for NGN to EPC to mobile all-IP networks

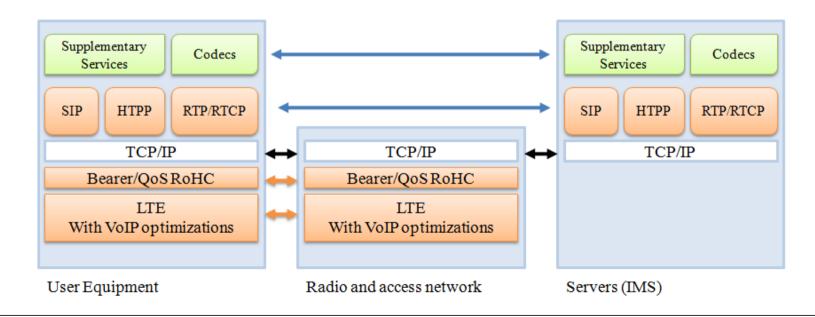


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Prototype Objectives

■ The objective of the prototype implementation is to implement the Open Voice Profile (Open Voice Initiative over IMS Profile V1.0.0) which defines a minimum mandatory set of features a User Equipment (UE) and network requires in order to implement IMS-based telephony service over EPS radio access



Prototype Implementation – Use Cases



Multimedia Telephony (MMTel)

A solution for delivering multimedia telephony to broadband-connected devices. Focus is on voice and video calls with options to include messaging, video and image sharing. It is based on the 3GPP/TISPAN standard, which is the only global standard for multimedia telephony.

PSTN/ISDN Simulation service capabilitities using session control over IP interfaces and Infrastructure



IMS Emergency Calls and Location Support

This is specified in 3GPP Release 9 which fulfils the last regulatory requirement seperating VoIP on IMS from CS in 3GPP networks



Session Mobility Manager

Interacts with the Mobility Managemer Entity Components (MME) of the EPC network provide a seamless experience for the applications running on the client devices, such that operations like network attachment or handovers would be transparently handled.

Implementations was based on the myMONSTER TSC Framework



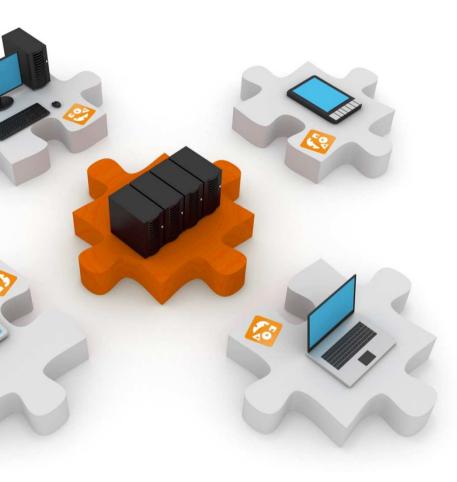
myMONSTER TCS

Service enabling client framework

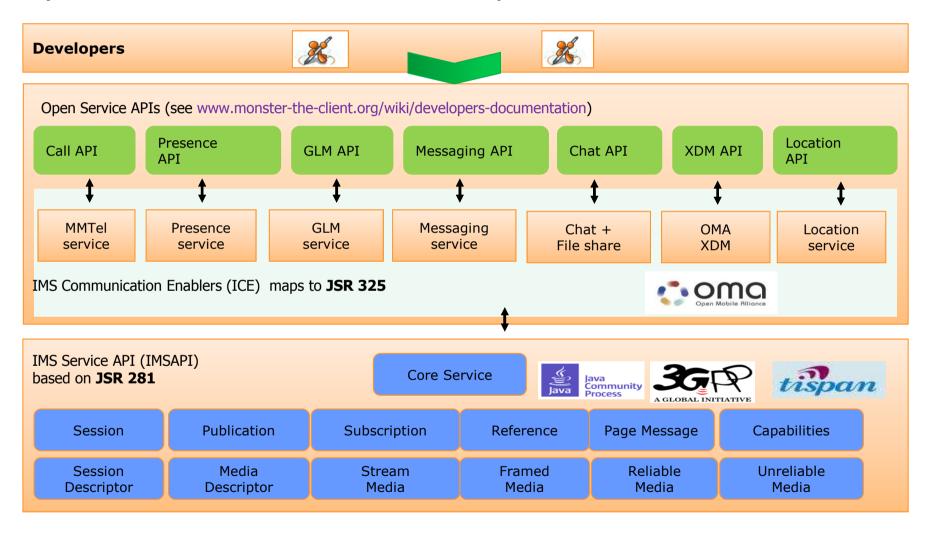
Module based in an extendible plug-&-play service oriented client architecture

exposing **Service APIs** to developers with a **unified communication interface** on which they can develop and bring together a suite of integrated applications from the telecommunication domain

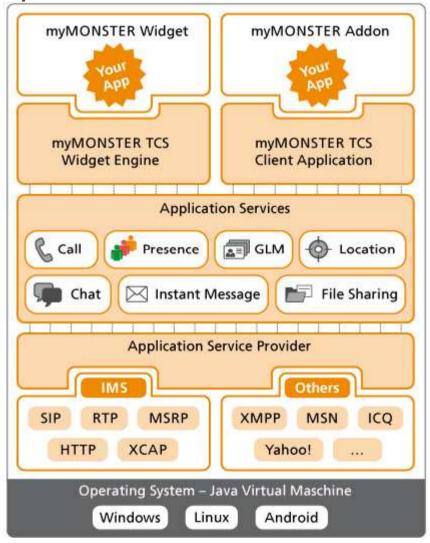
Support for multiple target platforms: Windows (XP, Vista), Linux, Android, Windows Mobile



myMONSTER TCS – Software Development Toolkit

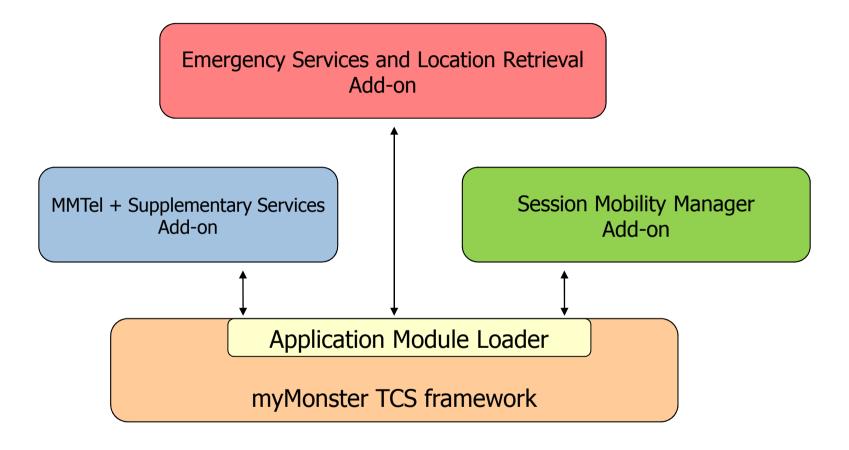


myMONSTER TCS Communication Service Enablers APIs



API	Description
Call	Creating audio and video calls including call control functions like call-hold, call-resume and call-transfer (IMS VoIP).
Instant Messaging (SMS -like) and Chat	Sending instant messages in page mode using SIP and session mode messaging using MSRP (Message Session Relay Protocol) with extensions to OMA IM Specification
Presence	Publication of the presence state and getting notification of users' presence Information. Support for PIDF, RPIDF, OMA Presence
Location	Access to different device location sources such as GPS, Cell Id and static locations of UE for Location-Based Services
Network Stored Address Book	Managing groups of contacts and contact data with local and server side storage. Support for OMA service AUIDs (access-rules, deferred-list, groups, user-profile resource-lists rls-services)
File Sharing	Creating multimedia sessions for sending and receiving multiple media file types over MSRP

Extensions to myMONTER TCS

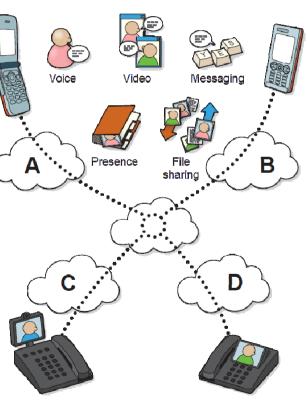


MMTel – a single session service

MMTel + Supplementary Services Add-on

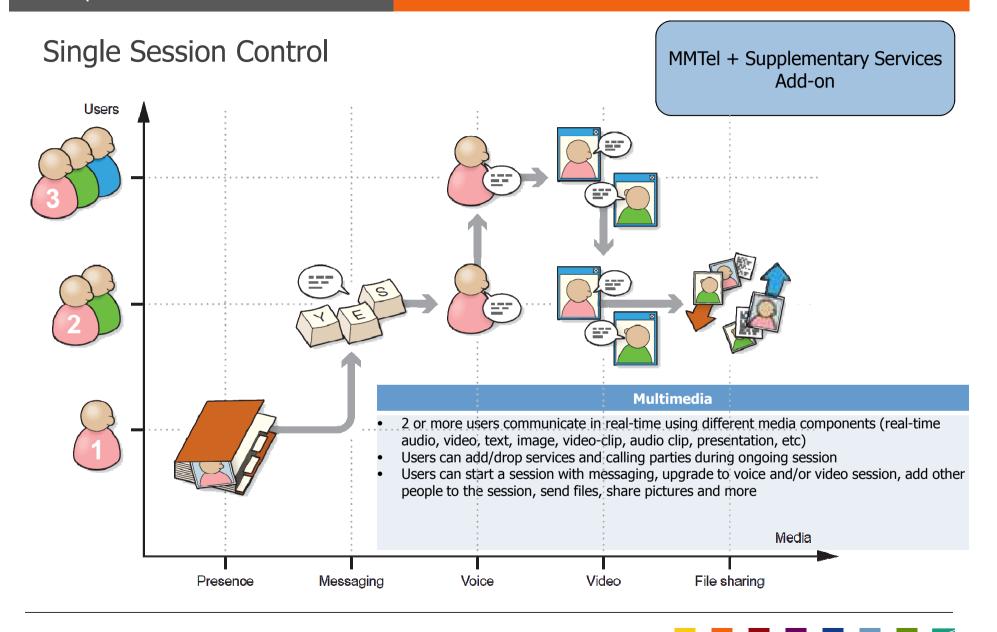
- A global standard based on the IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS), offers converged, fixed and mobile real-time multimedia services that allow users to communicate using voice, video, and chat.
- The MMTel standard contains clear operator to operator interconnect specifi cations. This means that users who belong to different operators can communicate with each other using all available multimedia services.
- Mobile access is based on Internet Protocol (IP) future proof
- MMTel operators and carriers can generate new revenue streams almost immediately – for instance, by adding new multimedia services to their offering.
- Functionality single session control and supplementary services for fixed and mobile devices

Standardized Multimedia Telephony (3GPP and ETSI/TISPAN)





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Session Manipulation Services

MMTel + Supplementary Services
Add-on

- MMTel services include supplementary services, regulatory services, and services that did not exist previously within PSTN/ISDN.
- 2 Examples
 - communication diversion of multimedia services
 - ad hoc conferencing
- Communication Diversion part of the PSTN/ISDN call forwarding services, which supports the diversion of other multimedia according to relevant criteria such as presence, media type, time, origin and anonymous.
- Ad Hoc Conferencing subscriber A signals to conference service which distributes a message to the B-side(s) including an accept or not accept option for the B-subscriber(s) including Conference ID and PIN. If the subscribers accepts the conference call, an MMTel call (voice/video) is set up automatically via the conference server and all the participant invited.



Supplementary Services Overview

MMTel + Supplementary Services Add-on

Supplementary Service	Basic Function
Originating identification presentation (OIP)	Provides the terminating party with the asserted identity of the originating party.
Originating identification restriction (OIR)	Enables the originating party to withhold the information on its asserted identity from the terminating party.
Terminating identification presentation (TIP)	Provides the originating party with the asserted identity of the terminating Party.
Terminating identifi cation restriction (TIR)	Enables the terminating party to withhold the information on its asserted identity from the originating party.
Communication diversion (CDIV)	Enables a user to have communications redirected by the network to another user. Variants of conditions include: unconditional, busy, no reply, not logged in, 'defl ection' (=explicit forwarding during call setup phase).
Communication hold (HOLD)	Enables a user to suspend media within a session and resume later.
Communication barring (CB)	Allows a user to bar certain categories of outgoing and/or incoming communications
Message waiting indication (MWI)	Enables the network, on the request of a controlling user, to indicate to the receiving user that there is at least one message waiting.
Conference (CONF)	Enables a user to participate in and control simultaneous communication with multiple users.
Explicit communication transfer (ECT)	Enables a transferring party A to transform two of that party's communications (for example an active communication to party B and a communication on hold to party C) into a new communication between party B and party C.

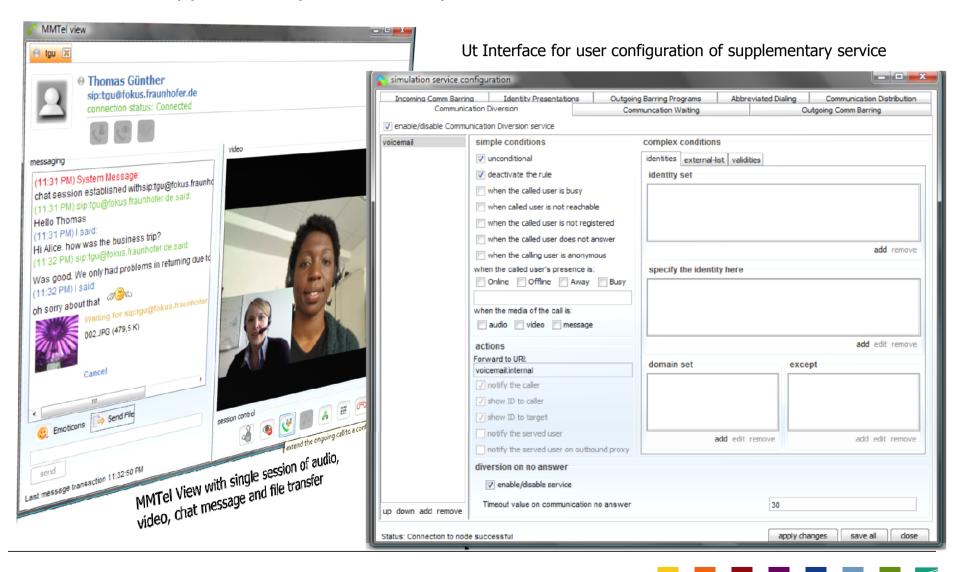
Regulatory Services Overview

MMTel + Supplementary Services Add-on

Supplementary Service	Basic Function
Number portability	Users can keep their telephone numbers when they change operators
Legal intercept	Government authorities may intercept traffic (both signalling and the media plane) without the user's awareness
Emergency call	The IMS system applies location-based routing of emergency calls
Carrier select	Users may select a carrier by adding a prefix before the phone number
Carrier pre-select	Calls are routed via specific carrier according to information in the subscriber profile
Malicious communication identification (MCID)	A service for identifying malicious calls

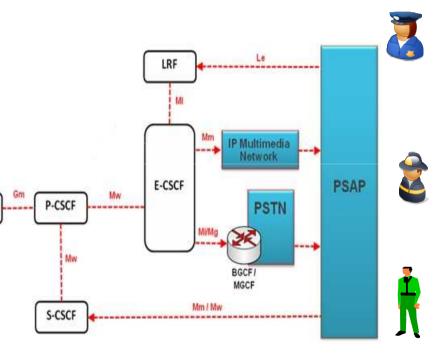


MMTel and Supplementary Views on myMONSTER -TCS



- The myMONSTER emergency services extensions overcome the "problem of the caller location" within all IP networks.
- The location of the device is covered and inserted in the message flow so that the network can map the service request to the nearest PSAP
- It recognizes E-Call to emergency numbers (112) or emergency identifiers (urn:service:sos.police)
- Adds location information to the recognized E-Calls
- Shortcuts to generate E-Calls to : Police,
 Ambulance and Fire Brigade
- Retrieve location information from:
 - user settings/profile
 - Supl A-GPS Agent, acting as a NMEA server

Emergency Services and Location Retrieval Add-on



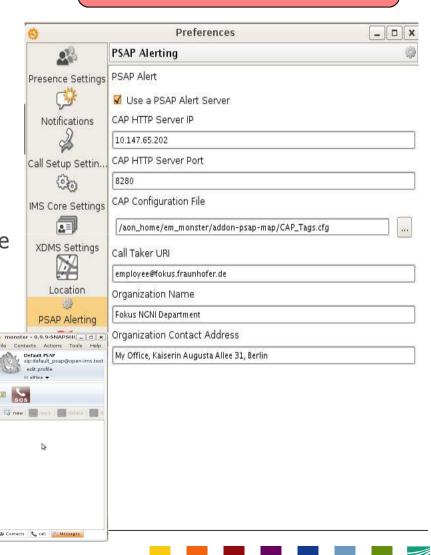
E-CSCF – Emergency Call State Control Function LRF – Location Retrieval Function PSAP – Public Safety Answering Point



- Extract location information from the initial INVITE request
- Show location on the map, using:
 - Civic location
 - Geodetic information (2D Point)
- Convert civic location to 2D Point, using the Geocoding API from Google

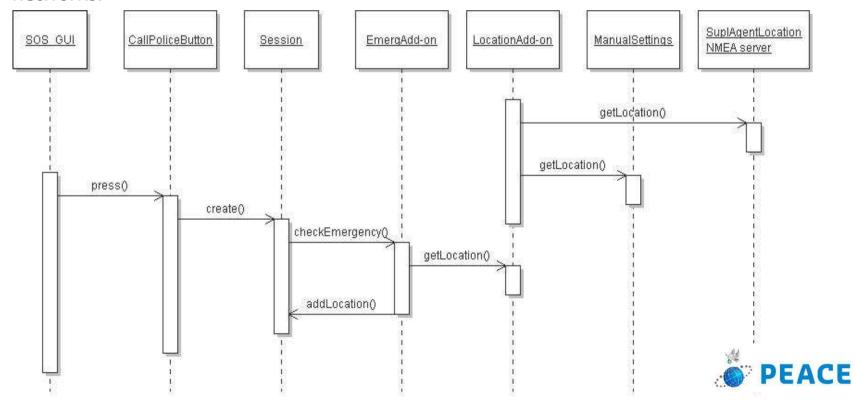
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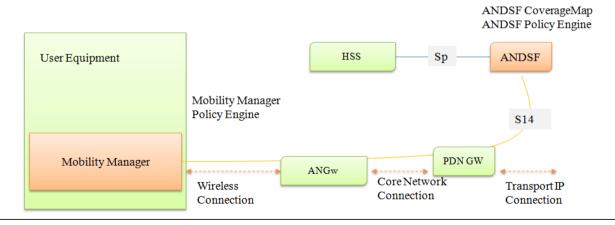
Emergency Services and Location Retrieval Add-on

The development of this extension is performed under the umbrella of the PEACE European Project and is geared toward operators and safety organizations that have already started the migration of their current emergency system to broadband networks.



Session Mobility Manager Add-on

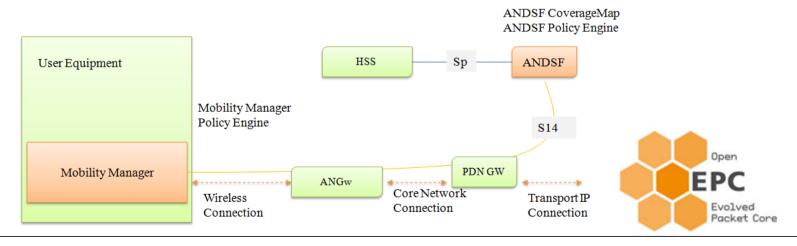
- The Session Mobility Manager (SMM) extension on myMONSTER TCS interacts with the Mobility Managemer Entity Components (MME) of the EPC network
- provide a seamless experience for the applications running on the client devices, such that operations like network attachment or handovers would be transparently handled
- For value added functionality, the ANDSF assists the SMM with information and operator pushed policies





Session Mobility Manager Add-on

- The ANDSF communicates with the MM running on the UE and exchanging information which would enhance both the Always Best Connected (ABC) concepts, but also allows the network operator to manage and enhance connectivity on a multiaccess environment as specified in 3GPP TS 23.402 and 3GPP TS 24.312.
- The development of this extension is performed under the umbrella of the project OpenEPC, a prototype reference implementation of the 3GPP Release 8 Evolved Packet Core (EPC)



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Conclusion

- The EPC network, from 3GPP Release 8 specification offers together with LTE access technology to form the EPS, providing everywhere coverage and always on broadband access for fixed, nomadic and mobile users.
- This enables a variety of new multimedia. While data services such as E-mail, social networks, video streaming applications, increase in consumer size and leverage the advantages of broadband networks, voice and SMS services which remain their key revenue generating applications for operators are still to be realized.
- Based on the Open Voice Profile, we implemented extensions on the myMONSTER TCS framework
- The extensions were developed and tested within the scope of an industry operator environment, a European project (PEACE) and a reference implementation project (OpenEPC) of the 3GPP Release 8 specification of the Evolved Packet Core

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