5G advanced to 6G, emerging applications

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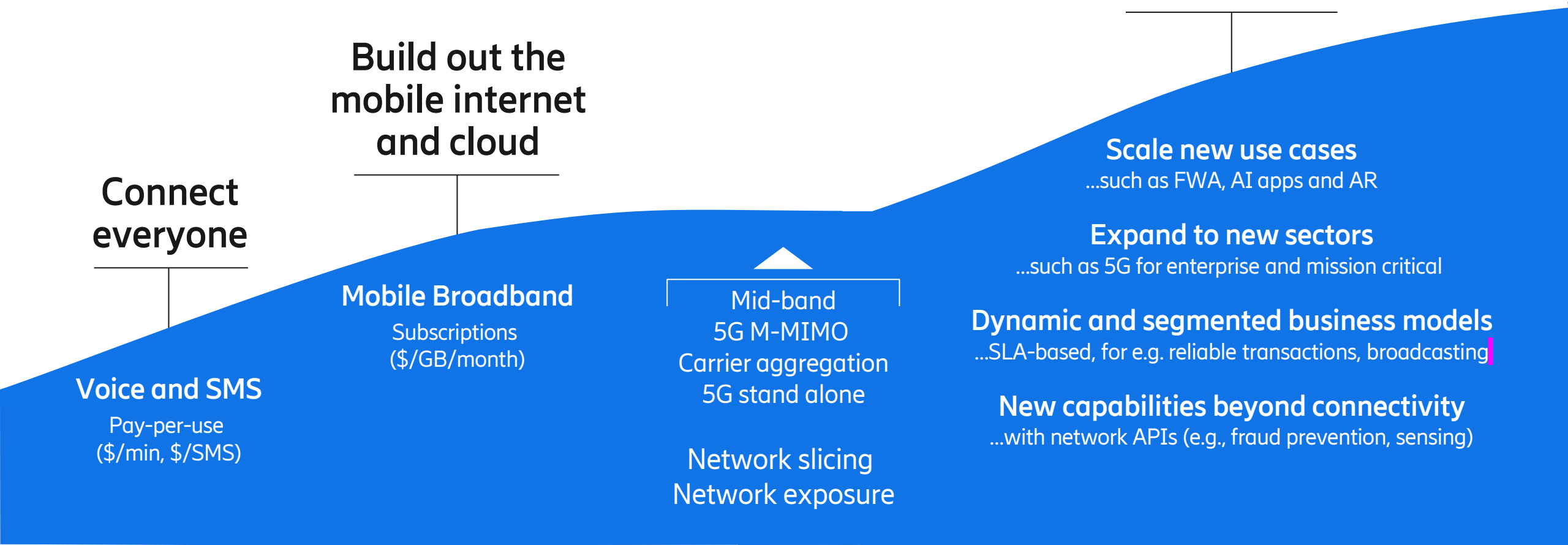
Mobile, unlocking the next wave of innovation



5G expanding in new segments
Local, city, country-wide digitalization







Source: Einride

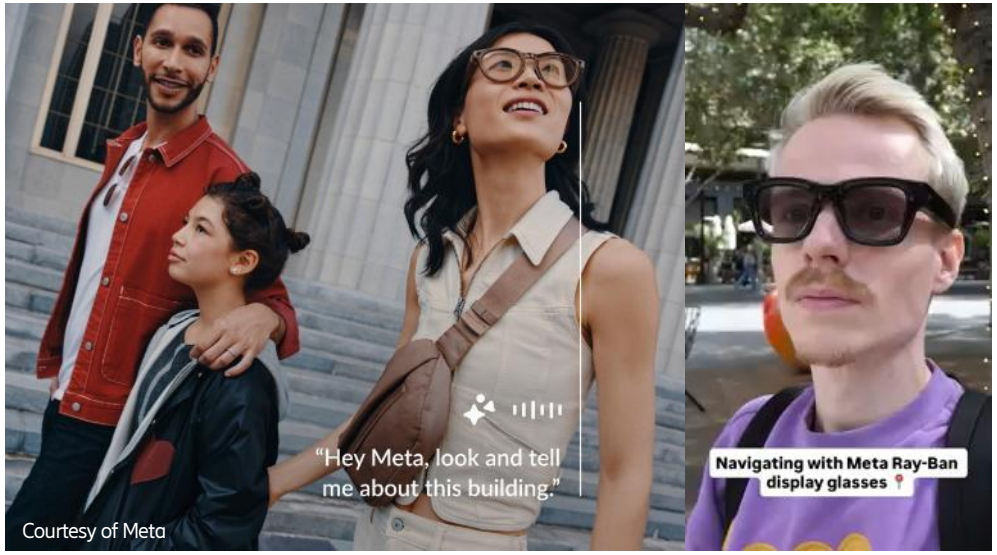

High-performing 5G network-quality supports digitalization, driving new demands

New applications and devices for all
Enterprise and consumers

XR Holo-medicine

- XR assisted surgery
- Less mortality rate, shorter time for surgery
- In full operation at NUHS Singapore

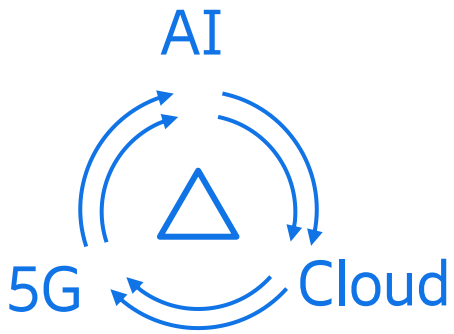
XR devices coming for consumers



- Large potential to service consumers
- Guidance, information and leisure
- Will require good 5G quality

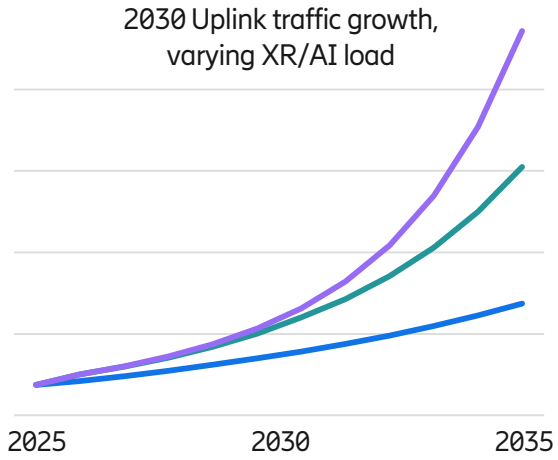
5G drives new applications, 6G to excel further

Technology advancements



New applications

New demands

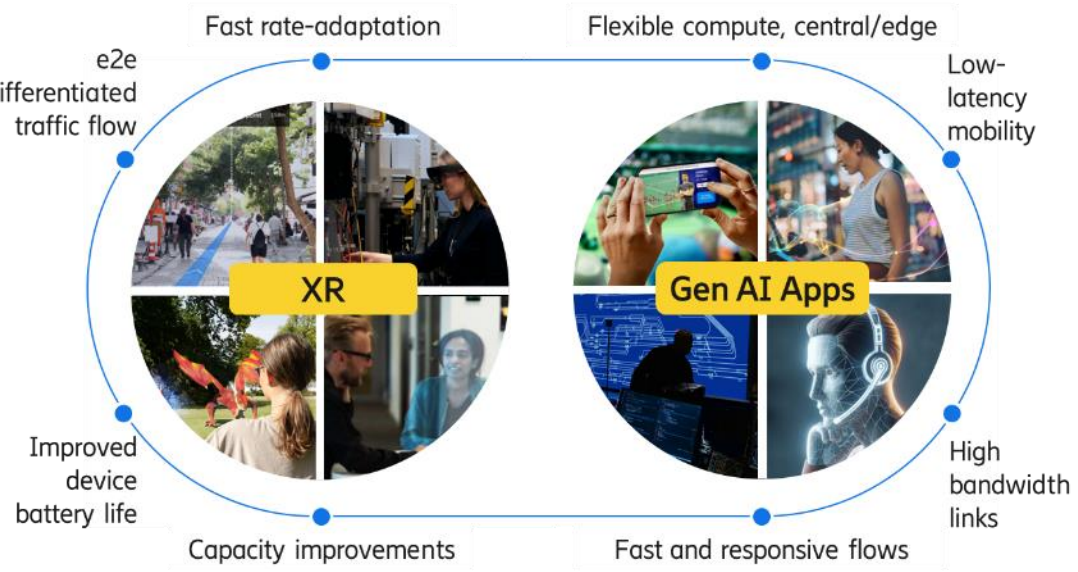


Demanding Uplink need

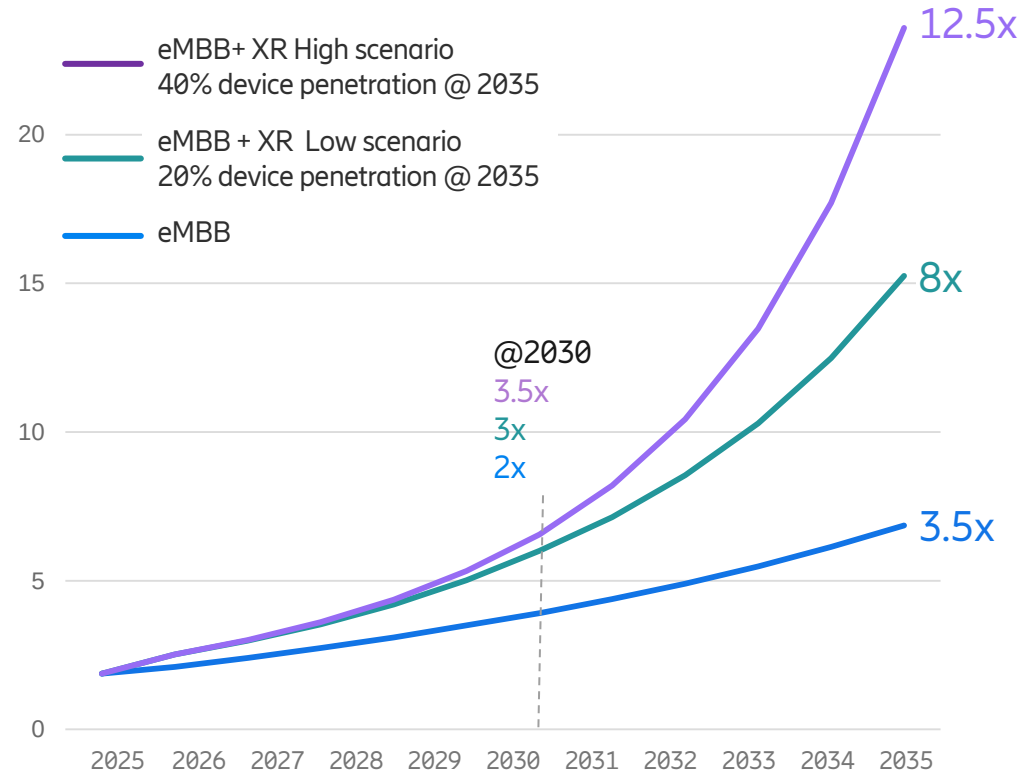
- Capacity
- Latency
- Cell-edge performance

Future traffic load, uplink heavy

Functionality to support higher uplink load



Uplink traffic per subscriber and month [GB]



Short term Early adopters of AI glasses/AI-enabled devices, AI apps, sensors, IoT

Mid term Scale of consumer usage of AI assistants on smartphones, AI/AR glasses

Long term Emergence and scale of AVs, humanoid droids and more

Best networks for and with AI

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10%
Spectrum efficiency with **AI native link adaptation**

80%
Reduced signaling with **machine learning assisted paging**

95%
Reduction in customer order failures with **order fallout detection and prediction**

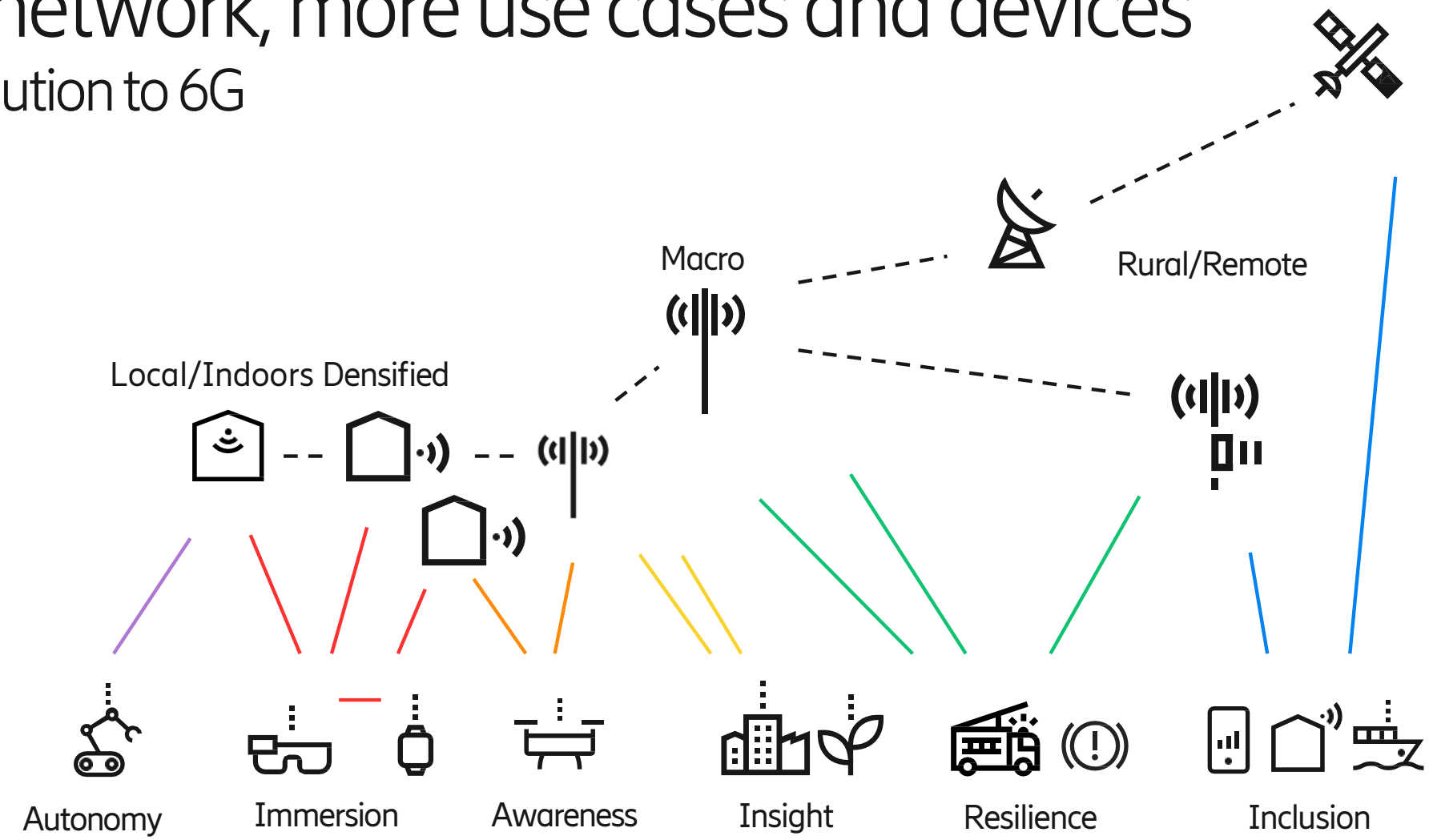
25%
Better 5G coverage **with 5G-aware traffic management**

33%
Energy savings and no KPI degradation with **Service Continuity**

>95%
incidents prevented with **RAN KPI degradation prediction**

One network, more use cases and devices

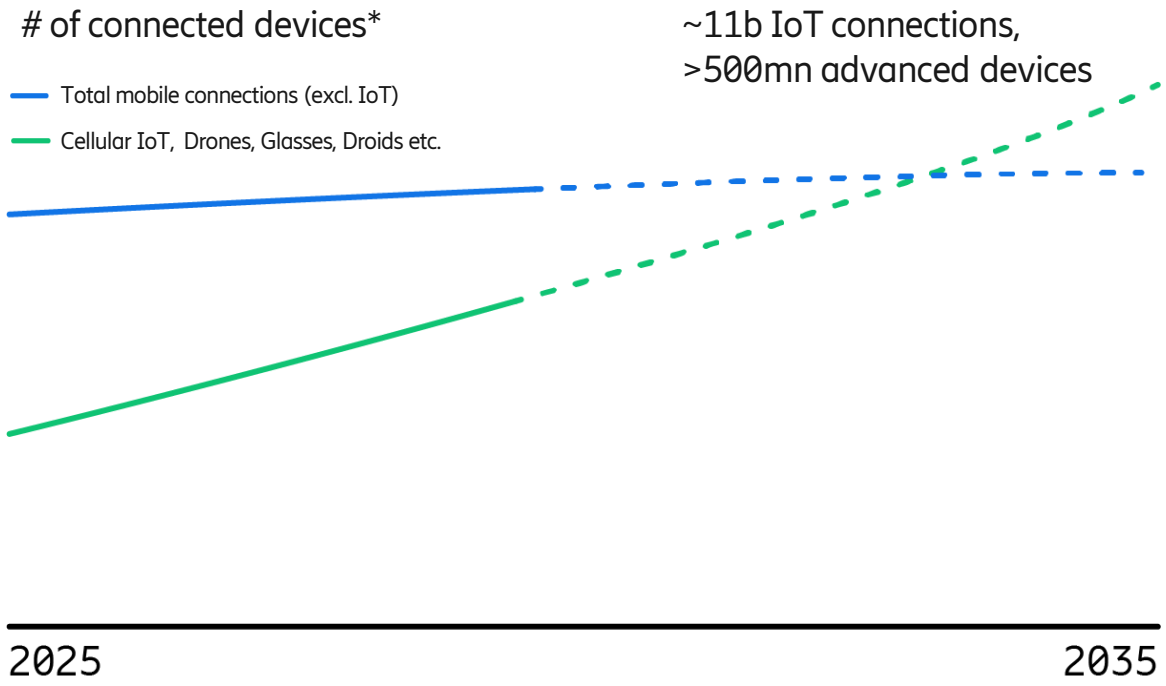
5G evolution to 6G



More devices, separate data flows, more edge compute

6G use cases – new revenue areas

Advanced devices uptake to outpace smartphones



*) GSMA: i) Mobile cellular connections, excl. IoT. and ii) Licensed cellular IoT. Assuming beyond 2030 follows current trajectory.

AI driving demands for 6G


Smartphones


XR devices


AI wearables


Drones


Sensing


Future devices

45% By 2030, the share of time spent using AI apps outside the home is expected to rise from 35% today to 45%.

Ericsson ConsumerLab report Jan 2026: Winning in the market with differentiated connectivity offerings

Integrated Sensing and Communication

- ISAC is a flagship feature for 6G
- Long-gone research explores long-term ISAC concepts and architecture
- Active support in standardization
- Trial setup in operation
  - Well advanced real-world functionality
  - Focus on technology enablers and research

- Drone detection
- ~1-2 km site-to-site distance
- Site height 30-45 meters
- 2-3 km: Tx-drone-Rx distance
- Drone height 90 meters, speed ~25 km/h
- 10-15 m ground truth drone GPS reporting capability accuracy

6G exposing more value through network APIs

APIs for differentiated connectivity services

APIs for information, compute and AI services

Transport data for anything, anywhere

Process & store data

Be a source of data

Better direct interaction with the app ecosystem

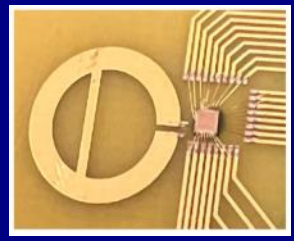
Network taking a bigger role in the combined ecosystem

Industry evolution towards 6G

Business foundation for 6G builds on 5G monetization and differentiated services

Add 6G and new bands

New and existing spectrum,
new and extended functionality



Evolution of Core, OSS/BSS to SMO, AI and intent driven autonomous networks, 5G Advanced

Cloud native, 5G stand-alone, slicing capabilities, exposure and
network APIs, Full network programmability, RedCap, NTN

Business evolution to scale the mobile platform

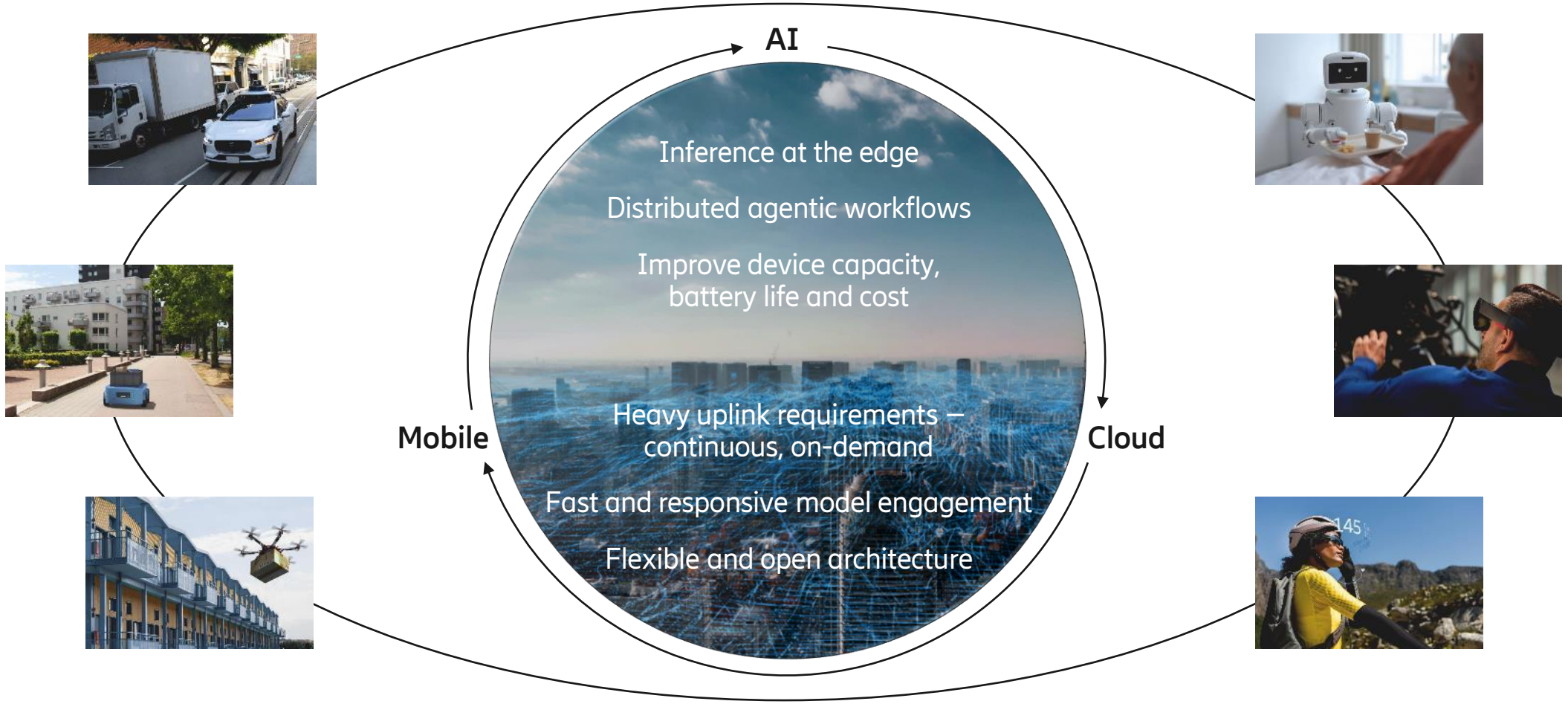
Monetize incl. FWA, Mission Critical, enterprise networks, capabilities (fraud prevention, location, etc.)

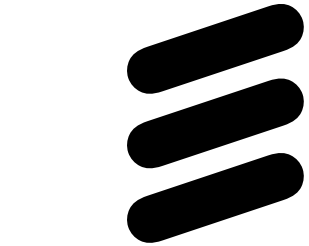
Scale differentiated connectivity & add AI / AR devices & introduce use cases like immersive comms, sensing, etc.

Scale 6G enabled use cases, e.g. immersive comms, sensing, etc.

Consumer → Residential → Industries → Enterprise → Governments → Society

The intelligent fabric





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