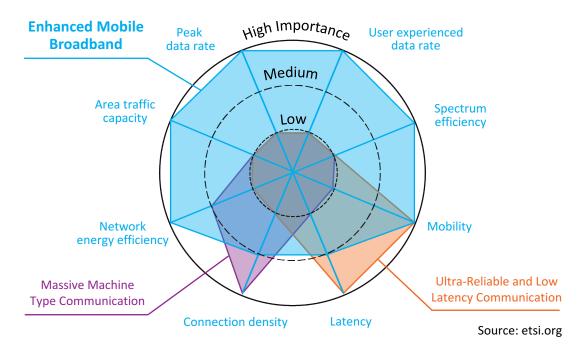


5G is Now! & Flexibility May Be Its Key Defining Attribute





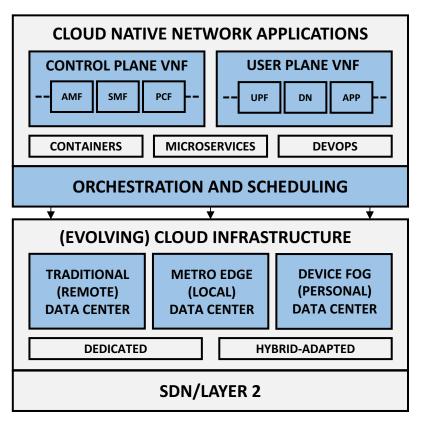








5G is Pushing the Frontiers of the Cloud Native Design



- To meet needs of 5G services network is steadily evolving away from legacy P2P
- NOT a new trend in Internet space but new and defining in 5G Wireless world!
- Embrace of a SBA in Release 15 means 5G Core will be "Cloud Native" by design
- Release 16 focus is on Control Plane and limited set of User Plane Functions
- Beyond this, how broad and how deep this push will go (& when) is not yet clear
- One thing that is clear, where this road leads is the future of Edge Computing...

InterDigital is Holistically Exploring This Future in 2 Projects

Current + Historical Partners (38)

Platform providers

InterDigital, ATOS

Vendors

Huawei, NEC, Intracom, Thales

Content

Disney Research, VRT Belgium

Operators

Deutsche Telekom, Orange, Telenor Guifi.net, Avanti, Primetel

SMEs

CTVC, Ell.i, Martel Consulting, Ubitech B-COM, Eurescom, Nextworks

Municipalities Barcelona, Bristol-is-Open

Academia & Research

Institutes

Athens University of Economics & Business, Aalto University, RWTH Aachen, TU Munich, Cambridge University, University of Essex, TU Kaiserslautern, i2CAT, iMinds, King's College London, Fraunhofer Fokus, IT Aveiro, IT Innovation, University of Bristol, ETH Zurich



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Unfunded effort in the 5G Private Public Partnership Programme http://www.5g-control-plane.eu



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13.5MIL EURO Combined H2020 Funding



Showcased as ETSI MEC PoC
Successful 5G network trial in 2017
World first 5G CP demo in 2018

Current Partners (10)

Vendors

Ericsson (Sweden)

InterDigital (United Kingdom)

ADLINK (Taiwan) AZCOM (Italy)

Operators

Telecom Italia (Italy)

SMEs

Telcaria (Spain)

Academia

ITRI (Taiwan)

& Research Institutes

University Carlos III of Madrid (Spain)
National Chiao Tung University (Taiwan)

RISE (Sweden)



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A 5G Converged Virtualised Radio Access Network Living at the Edge

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4MIL EURO

Combined EU-Taiwan Funding



1st Showcase at Edge Congress Sep'18 1st Trial in a Shopping Mall in Taipei (Taiwan) Oct-Nov'18

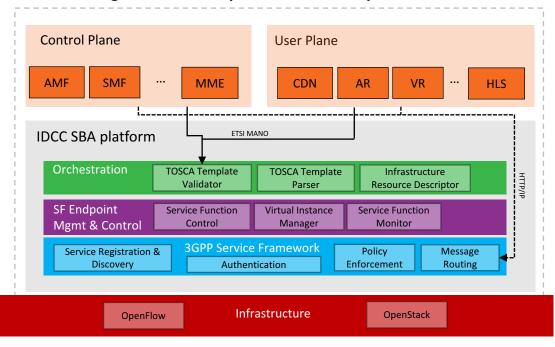
FLAME Project Family Deeper Dive (Our SBA Platform)

Pioneering Project Family that has Helped Drive the 5G Core Move to a SBA Today

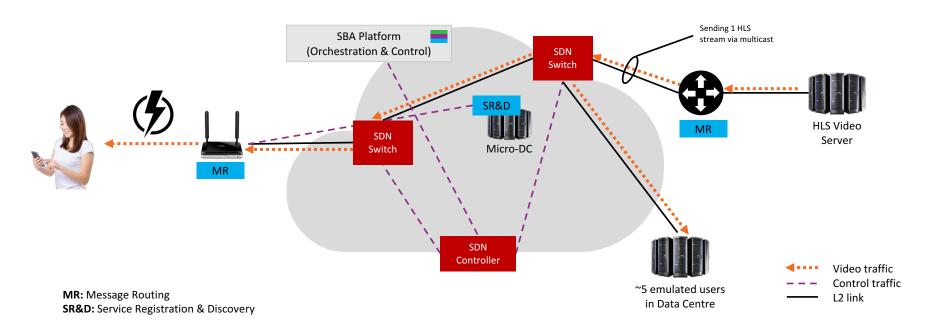
5G compliant service delivery platform that has proven MEC services & capabilities can be delivered in minutes or less over managed cloud-native operator infrastructures

- We have also proven an array of other capabilities are possible through this technological approach:
 - Linear cost increases of HTTP based streaming can be capped through an easily enabled L2 multicast method
 - 2. E2E latency can be reduced significantly by dynamic end point selection nearest to end users in less than 20ms
 - 3. Recovery from service & network failures can be reduced to <1 sec. compared to DNS based failovers in minutes
 - 4. Device battery performance can be increased 50% by offloading device functions in real time to edge resources
- Experimental solution, deployed in 5G UK test bed in Bristol & Bath (in UK) by end of September 2018
- Trials planned for 2018 and 2019 in Bristol, Bath and Barcelona

InterDigital 3GPP Compliant SBA Development Platform



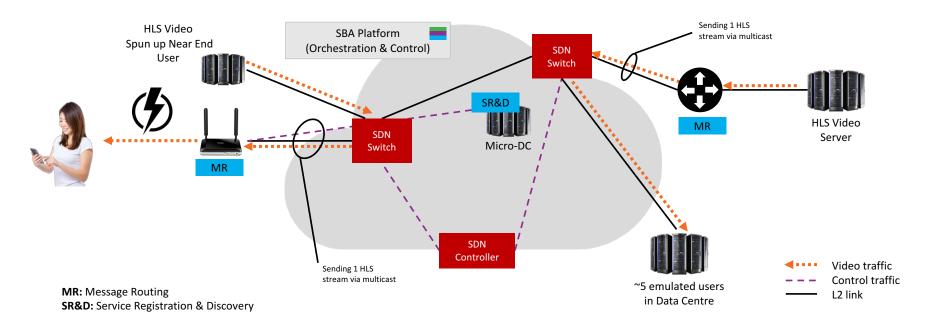
Berlin Demo Aspect 1: Multicast Gain Equals Number of Users



Aspect 1 demonstrates the multicast gain as well as the reduced server load through multicast delivery of HTTP responses in HLS video streaming scenario.



Berlin Demo Aspect 2: Spin up HLS at Edge or Latency Reduction with Switch-Over Times of <1s



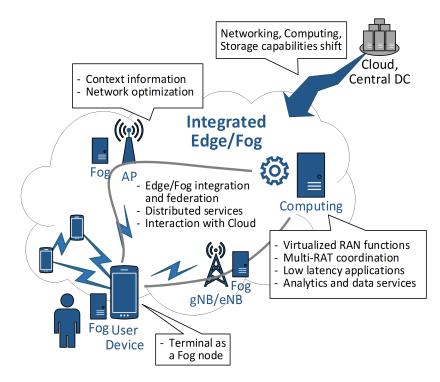
Aspect 2 demonstrates the latency reduction and video quality improvement through spun up edge server at Edge Congress.



CORAL Project Deeper Dive

Exploring Service Based Design in a Deep and Volatile Edge-Fog Infrastructure model

- CORAL stands for "A 5G COnvergent Virtualized Radio Access Network Living at the Edge"
 - An H2020 international EU-Taiwan project from Sep 2017 to Aug'19 (2 years)
- Targets an integrated virtualized edge and fog RAN solution, aka a FogRAN notion
- Focus on the deep edge and fog tiers of the distributed computing infrastructure, along with their interactions with the higher tiers (regional cloud/data centers)
- Mobile and Volatile Fog nodes are also key focus area, for example a user terminal (e.g. smartphone, car, drone, AR/VR unit)

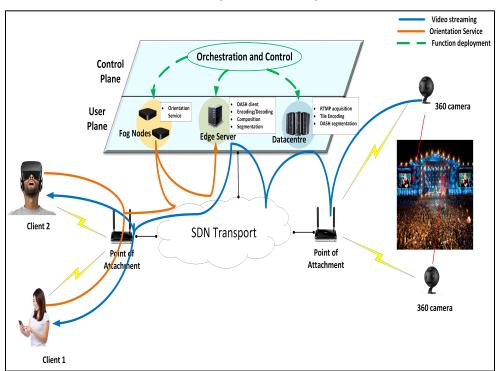


Some of the Unique Challenges Virtualizing the Deep Edge

- Orchestration of resources, noticeably volatile & mobile in nature, requiring special handling for volatility & mobility management
- Integration and federation of heterogeneous resources belonging to different Business domains and possibly different owners
- Distribution, synchronization & chaining of applications, functions and services across this dynamic resource fabric
- Authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) for smartly controlling access to deep edge resources
- Timely provisioning, abstraction and fusion of measurement and context data for fog analytics

Our Demo. Here in Berlin

Use Case: Viewport Adaptive 360 Video over Distributed Intelligence System



Demonstrating:

- 360 immersive experience with End-to-End video service distributed across hierarchy of Edge/Fog Nodes
- An integrated system of heterogeneous compute entities (low → high end nodes)
- A microservice architecture that aligns completely with larger trend towards fully cloud native system design
- Bandwidth and deployment cost saving through the leveraging of hybrid mix of higher and lower cost compute facilities

Some Quick Takeaways

- The emerging 3GPP Service Base Architecture will implicitly bring with it a new capability to realize all the benefits of edge computing
- More, forward looking research in large scale test bed initiatives are proving many other performance benefits are possible too
- How deep our industry is prepared to take this vision (and when) is still unclear but distributed compute trend would seem hard to stop
- Ongoing research in the deep edge are revealing the many unique challenges (e.g. volatility, heterogeneity) that need to be resolved
- Early research results would seem to be proving the feasibility and value of realizing a fully distributed virtual resource model in time

