# WiMAX as the Broadband Wireless Technology for today and tomorrow

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# What is WiMAX?



WiMAX is a standards-based wireless technology that provides high throughput broadband connections over long distances.

# ACCRONYMS



WiMAX - Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access, a certification mark for products that pass conformity interoperability tests for the IEEE 802.16 and ETSI HiperMAN standards.

IEEE- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc.

ETSI - European Telecommunications Standard Institute

HiperMAN - High Performance Radio Metropolitan Area Network

OFDMA- Orthogonal Frequency Divisional Multiplexing Access

# What is the WiMAX forum?



#### www.wimaxforum.org

The WiMAX Forum is an industry-led, non-profit corporation formed to promote and certify compatibility and interoperability of broadband wireless products.

Our member companies support the industry-wide acceptance of the IEEE 802.16 and ETSI Hiper MAN wireless standards.

What this means for you:

For network operators this means equipment interoperability across vendors For component vendors this means fewer product variations and higher volumes

For end-users this means faster and cheaper access that is more widely available

## Leading members of the WiMAX forum

#### Board

- Airspan Networks
- Aperto Networks
- British Telecom
- Intel Corporation
- Motorola
- Sprint Nextel
- ZTE Corporation

#### Principal

- Adaptix
- Beceem
- Bell Canada

#### Regular

- France Telecom
- Adesta
- Aeroflex

- Alvarion

- AT&T

- Fujitsu

- KT Corp

- Samsung

- Wi-I AN

- Airvana
- BelAir Networks
- Cisco Systems
- ACCA
- Advance Data Technology Corporation
- Aeronix Inc



## Key Benefits of the WiMAX Standard



For Equipment Vendors

- Standards-based, common platform encourages innovation.
- Concentrate on specialization (i.e. Base Stations or CPEs) no longer need to create an entire end-to- end solution as in proprietary model.

For Consumers

- Consumers can receive services in areas with little infrastructure, developed countries, rural & hard-to-service areas.
- Increased number of players in the market which means options.
- Quick "trickle down" effect of cost savings to consumers.

## Key Benefits of the WiMAX Standard...



For Service Providers

- Enables a lower initial CAPEX investment.
- Eliminates commitment to a single vendor, a typical by-product of the proprietary technology model.
- Wireless systems significantly reduce operator investment risk.

For Component Makers

- Standardization creates a volume opportunity for chip set vendors.

## **Components of a WiMAX Network**



#### **Base Station**

-Macro (Multi Sector) Vs. Micro (Single Sector)

#### Antennas

- Omni Directional
- 90 Degrees Panel
- 60 Degrees Panel

#### CPE

-ODU -IDU

Cables (Pigtails + Power Cables + Ethernet)

Network Management System

# WiMAX Equipment





# **Conceptual Network Diagrams**





## **Conceptual Network Diagrams**





## Standards, Spectrum and Frequency



#### Licensed vs. Un Licensed frequencies



# WIRELESS EVOLUTION PATH





#### Coverage



Clear Line of Site (Rural Areas)

- Average distance of 30km claimed by most vendors

Near Line of Site (Semi- Urban)

- Average Distance of 10km claimed by most vendors.

Non Line of Site (Urban and Hilly areas)

- Average Distance of 4Km claimed by most vendors

These Distances depend on factors like Antenna gain, Congestion (Noise) Geographical factors and Interference.

# Application of WiMAX Today and Tomorrow for an African Entrepreneur.



- Last mile Solution
- Backhaul Solution
- Rural Connectivity Solutions
- Urban Connectivity Solutions.

# **Applications Of WiMAX Today**





## Client Set Up and Provisioning on WiMAX



Bandwidth Management.

Monitoring (Availability, Usage, Latency etc)

Management of a WiMAX network.

Billing and SLA Management

QoS Management and PPPoE Provisioning

## **Business Case for WiMAX**



- WiMAX can give you a long range (>20Km) without wires.
- WiMAX can give you broadband speeds without cable.(20Mbps)
- WiMAX promises affordable equipment.
- WiMAX promises Scalability with future services.
- WiMAX promises Integration with NGN networks.

# **Rationale for WiMAX**





# **Revenue, Expenditure & Depreciation**





## **Case Studies**



#### MTN Uganda 23 Districts.



### **Other Case Studies**



MICROCOM, Congo – BreezeMAX (Kinshasa)

- High Speed Internet and VoIP

Telkom SA, RSA-BreezeMAX(2 sites in Pretoria)

- High Speed Internet and VoIP tested

Arobase Telecom, Ivory Coast-BreezeMAX (Abidjan)

- High Speed Internet

MTN SA- Tested BreezeMAX and ASMax

- VoIP and Data Transmission tested



#### Questions

