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Modern NGN Testbeds

Experiences from FOKUS Technology Playgrounds and the Way forward to Interconnected National and Pan-European Testbeds

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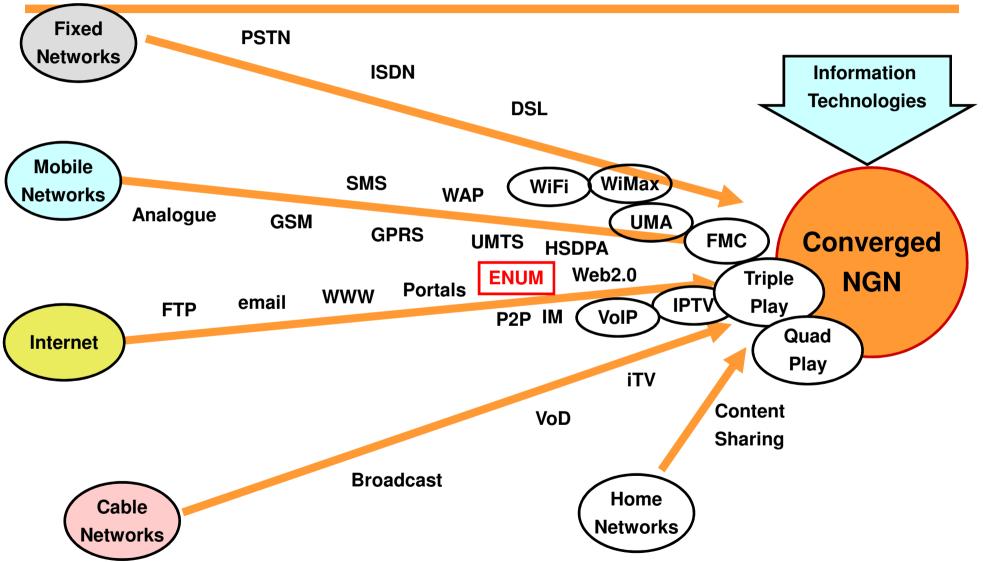
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Evolution towards Converged Networks

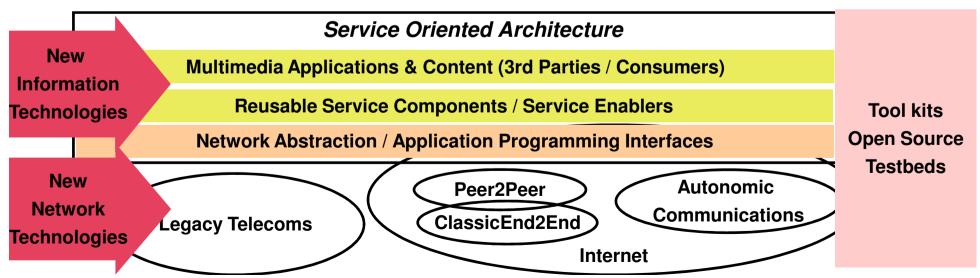


Open (Research) Testbeds

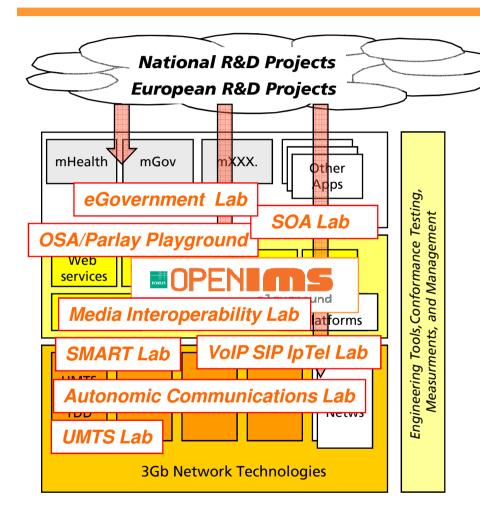
- The new multimedia service world on top of converging networks is complex and expensive
- Value chain evolution: Networks → Services
 - → Network technlogies become less important
- Operator specific or vendor specific testbeds are not sufficient
- Learn from the internet: an open infrastructure is needed
- Open Testbeds are needed to stimulate academia and industry
- Adequate software toolkits (open source) is needed
- Research testbeds (proof of concept) versus industry testbeds (interoperability)

Shift from Networks to Service Orientation

- Historically services have been network specific
- IP-fication unifies networks conceptually = competition is on services!
- Internet shows what multimedia services can be = Web 2.0, but where is the money?
- Research: Edge Intelligence (Peer2Peer) vs. Network Intelligence (Autonomic Communications) vs. Legacy migration
- Service Orientation of infrastructures requires application programming interfaces & toolkits & testbeds



Open Testbeds @ Fraunhofer FOKUS



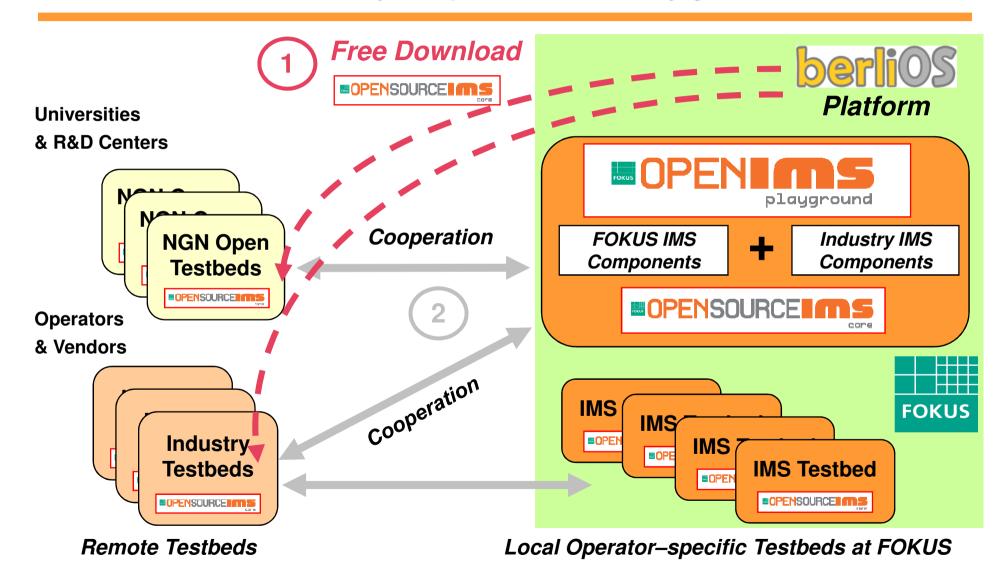
Open NGN Test & Development Center

- Is a set of several technology testbeds
- Provides all NGN layers but focus is on IP and service platform layers
- Foundation for industrial and academic projects
 - Applications development support
 - Applications validation
 - Service Platform prototyping
 - Infrastructure component testing
 - Network Technologies integration
- Officially supported by

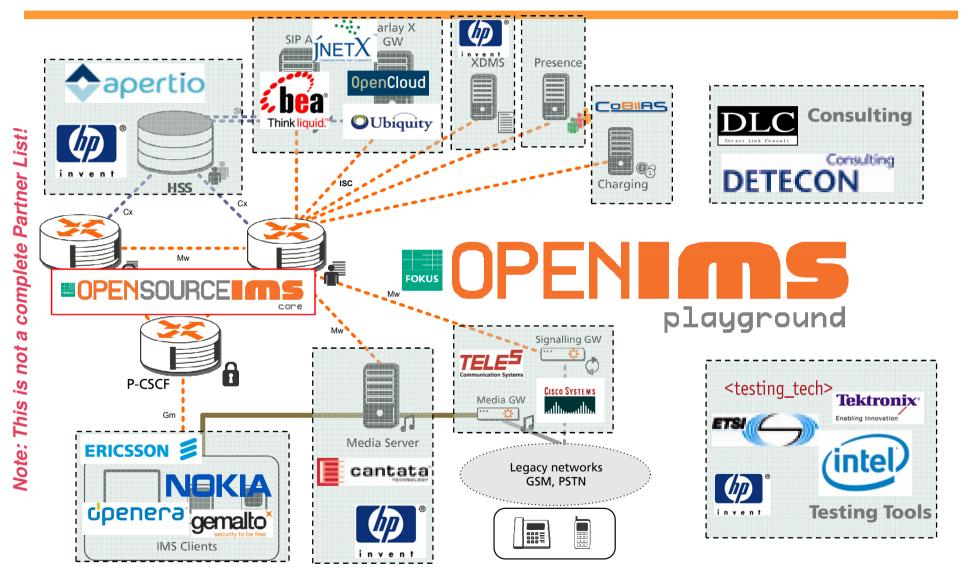




Case Study: Open IMS Playground

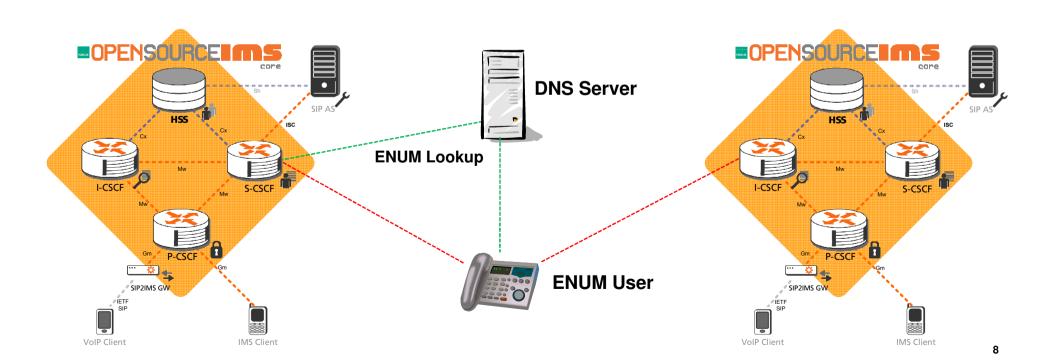


OPEN IMS Playground - Where Academia and Industry meet



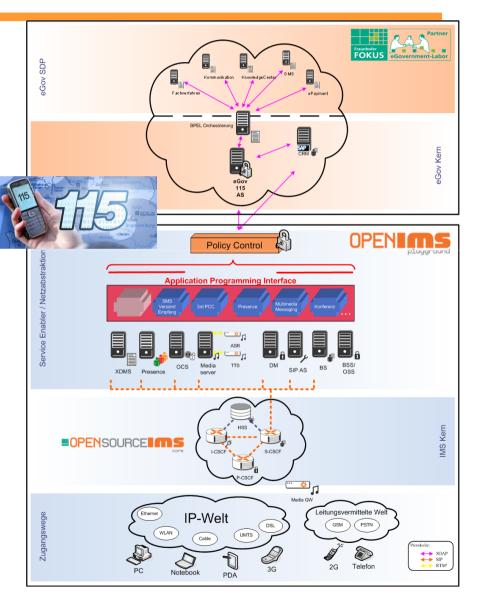
ENUM in an NGN Testbed

- ENUM offers a standardized DNS driven, distributed directory for services.
- Many synergies between ENUM and IMS
- Mapping of ENUM services to IMS services and vice versa is possible.
- ENUM = Repository of services for NGN users.



A Case Study: German Service Line 115

- Based on IT Summit in Potsdam December 2006 - Definition of Serviceline 115 Concept
- Feasibility Study on FOKUS Testbeds for CeBit Fair March 2007 and continuous functional extension since then
 - eGovernment Lab
 - www.fokus.fraunhofer.de/testbeds/egovlabor/index.php?lang=en
 - operated by the FOKUS Competence Center ELAN
 - www.fokus.fraunhofer.de/ELAN
 - Open IMS Playground
 - www.fokus.fraunhofer.de/testbeds/ims_pla yground/index.php?lang=en
 - operated by the FOKUS Competence center NGNI
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- Start of Industry Partnering around Testbed
- Definition of the "Deutschland Online" Project
- More Info about this reference project: www.fokus.fraunhofer.de/bereichsseiten/proj ekte/ServiceLine_115



Summary

- Academia AND Industry needs open testbeds!
- Open also means integration of MANY operators and vendors as partners
- Open Source helps in lowering the entry barrier for testbed establishment and to achieve a common base for cooperation
- FOKUS has gained a lot of experiences in testbeds and can contribute a lot
 - IMS Playground → SOA Playground
 - AC Lab
 - Panlab / FIRE Interface
- ENUM can still be part of the ongoing NGN converged network evolution.

Any Questions?

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Hope to see you in November on ...

