

# **Convergence & 2G/3G Evolution from Africa Perspective:**

## **Overview of growth of Mobile Market in Africa**

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Innovations and applications of Mobile in Africa – Mobile as Information Empowerment tool in Africa. The use of a combination of technologies including, VSAT, to rollout mobile in the rural Africa and the use of various options provided for by mobile, such as SMS, and the new applications relevant to the rural community for social and economic developments

## **2G/3G Evolution**

A look at the implementation of GPRS in Africa and the rollout of 3G, where are we now where are going? Where is the market? Just like other services before, very limited accurate growth potentials were provided for Africa. The implementation and evolution of 3G in Africa is still elusive. : Where are we in Africa and where is the market? Technological challenges, and the need for backward compatibility cannot be ignored, as well as economies of scale and infrastructure developments

## **Policy and regulatory framework developments**

Should the incumbent 2G mobile operators in Africa be awarded licenses for three 3G for smooth transition in the Convergence era

Constrains and availability on IMT-200 spectrum for sustainable technological evolution and growth.

Convergence licensing approach for mobile services- A critical examination and future predication in ICT development

## **In conclusion**

The way forward for African needs to be clearly, with no uncertainties to be attractive for investors and support the futures developments in the mobile industry