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Opportunities and challenges for a global system vendor

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Telecommunications Industry Trends

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Internet Protocol-Based
Platform; Multiple Access
Networks; Security



TECHNOLOGY
AND
APPLICATION
INNOVATION



R&D, Miniaturization, Greater Spectrum Efficiency, Applications (Home, Office, Mobile)



GLOBALIZATION



Competition, Supply Chain Management, Global Markets





Device functionality is blurring...

For Consumers and Businesses: Any Service, Any Device



























At Work, at Home, on the Road

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The "end-to-end argument"

"suggests that functions placed at low levels of a system may be redundant or of little value when compared with the cost of providing them at that low level"

End-To-End Arguments In System Design. 1984. ACM Transactions on Computer Systems, V.2, N.4, p. 277-88.

J.H. Saltzer, D.P. Reed, & D.D. Clark MIT Laboratory for Computer Science

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Network services

- o Despite the "end-to-end argument" some services are probably best offered in the network e.g. Content filtering / parental control, but there are not that many
- Challenges from Internet services (Skype, Google)
- But restricting users will not work
- End user has to be prepared to pay for NGN services for investment to pay returns



Convergence

- Enormous global market
- o Focus on the end user
- Social opportunities & challenges
- Regulation independent of technology
 - Telecommunications universal service
 - Data communications unregulated
 - Broadcasting content