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Final report of M-Powering Development Initiative Working Groups on m-Health, m-Learning, m-Commerce, Business Models and Advocacy



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#### FOREWORD

In recent years, we have witnessed the explosion of promising technological innovations and initiatives that use mobile phones to benefit and empower people in all aspects of daily life, such as healthcare, education, agriculture, commerce, banking, just to mention a few. These initiatives can potentially bring exponential benefits to entire communities and make a valuable contribution to the global development agenda.

While early results are encouraging, several measures are yet to be taken to fully leverage the phenomenal growth of mobile technology and the fact that this powerful tool is now available in most rural and remote areas of the world.

That is why we have launched the m-Powering Development Initiative as a multi-stakeholder platform to collectively reflect and act upon opportunities and challenges that can unlock and accelerate the impact of mobile phones.

I would like to sincerely thank all those who have contributed to the development of this report which presents the work of the Working Groups established within the framework of this initiative. I hope the report will help raise awareness about the opportunities ahead and highlight the challenges that we need to address in order to use the mobile technology for development.

Mr Brahima Sanou

Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau

#### FOREWORD

I would like to express my appreciation of the work and devotion of the Working Groups' members of the M-Powering Development Initiative and to all those who have contributed to the development of this report. I would like also to thank the Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT), Mr. Brahima Sanou, for his vision to establish this initiative that aims at identifying gaps and taking action in order to allow all stakeholders from governments, private sector, service providers, content developers and users to tap into the full potential of mobile technology for sustainable development.

The work of the Working Groups revealed that while there is an evidence that smart, innovative solutions that leverage mobile technologies can make a real difference to people around the world and can improve healthcare, education, commerce, etc., current efforts are still duplicative and fragmented. The report highlights a number of issues and challenges common to all sectors that need to be addressed appropriately. The need to embrace an integrated and holistic approach to deploy scalable, sustainable and affordable M-Powering initiatives through inter-sectoral dialogue and collaboration was stressed as a key enabler for addressing barriers to scale.

I hope that the recommendations and conclusions set forth in this report will be considered by all to make the best use of the opportunity that, for the first time in human history, the sum of human knowledge can be within reach of all the world's people – wherever they live, and whatever their circumstances are.

Mr Sam Pitroda Chairman of the M-Powering Advisory Board

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Analysis of the reports of the Working Groups on m-Health, m-Learning, m-Commerce, m-Business models and Advocacy reveals a number of systemic issues that are common to all these sectors. These issues need to be collectively addressed if we are to achieve the desired sustainability and scalability of M-Powering Development initiatives.

There is still a growing need to pursue advocacy to increase awareness among governments of the potential of M-Powering initiatives and of the essential need to approach them in a holistic manner. This necessarily entails the involvement of all relevant ministries and partners, notably in the telecommunications, education, finance, infrastructure, and commerce sectors. As part of this process, attention must also be drawn to existing initiatives where interested parties can learn about best practices and access top quality advice and resources. In short, advocacy efforts need to target key influencers and actors to move the m-Powering Development Initiatives forward.

Supporting an enabling regulatory environment for M-Powering initiatives wherein no citizen is excluded by affordability, accessibility or availability issues is of vital importance. ICT policymakers, regulators and stakeholders at large need to have a global overview and practical understanding of the regulatory tools required to achieve sustainable social and economic development by m-powering citizens in a connected and globalized world. A concerted effort must be made to examine current sectoral policies and regulatory frameworks in order to identify gaps in moving towards platform markets; address the cross-sectoral nature of m-applications and services; analyze various regulatory models and the role of the different regulators and entities in charge; and to learn from the success and pitfalls of existing measures. Identifying policy and regulatory best practices in areas dealing with all aspects of modern life will foster innovation and digital inclusion for sustainable social and economic development.

Additionally, mobile initiatives need to be approached in a holistic manner to avoid vertical "siloed" interventions and to identify where new Apps can "plug-in" in an integrated and interoperable manner with already existing systems and solutions. Embracing an integrated and a "Platform" approach will avoid fragmentation and duplication of effort. It will also maximize investment return on ICT infrastructure which can be considered as a "utility" to be leveraged by all sectors — e.g., health, education, agriculture, commerce and payments. This would significantly accelerate the deployment of Mobile for Development innovations.

The success of any M-Powering initiative is highly dependent on its scalability. To make any application sustainable and widely scalable, it should be affordable and easy to use. Possible innovative models facilitating affordable mobile-based Internet access to the unconnected, particularly in underserved areas, as well as ways to upscale them at a global level, should be further explored.

Finally, any mobile for development initiative should show results and outcomes. There is still insufficient clear evidence of the benefits of M-Powering outcomes in areas such as m-Health, m-Learning, etc. The development of clear success measurements and metrics should be agreed upon at the early stages of any intervention. Further advocacy efforts are required to emphasise the fundamental importance of appropriate monitoring and evaluation of M-Powering initiatives and to agree on appropriate related frameworks.

In its next meetings, the m-Powering Development Initiative Advisory Board will adopt an action plan and kick-start activities to address some of the identified issues that are common to all sectors and where some collective and joint efforts can be conducted to benefit the wider community. The Advisory Board invites all stakeholders to take note of the findings of the Working Groups and, more importantly, to devise actions to unlock the full potential of mobile technology for the benefit of all worldwide.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Access to, and use of, ICT services brings innumerable social opportunities and helps to stimulate economic growth of all nations thereby benefiting the daily lives of all citizens. With such powerful technology available in most rural and remote areas, and such unprecedented computing power in the palm of our hands it is imperative that we harness this technology for use in health, education, agriculture, commerce, sport, banking, and in everything that will serve humanity and help us to achieve sustainable development.

Mr Brahima Sanou, Director of the ITU's Telecommunication Development Bureau, launched a new initiative called m-Powering Development in 2012, during the ITU Telecom World event with the objectives to:

- 1. Harness mobile networks in health, education, agriculture, banking, commerce, sport and other fields that foster sustainable development.
- 2. Increase the use of mobile services and applications in our daily lives, in order to improve economic activity, particularly in rural and remote areas.
- 3. Foster mobile services in areas that may not be economically profitable for operators today, but there is a social urgency to include them in the ICT society.
- 4. Create synergies in existing initiatives to cross-fertilize experiences and avoid duplications.
- 5. Optimize the use of scarce resources.
- 6. Forge public-private partnerships and promote large scale multi-stakeholder projects wherever possible.

An Advisory Board was created of eminent personalities from diverse backgrounds to provide a mix of expertise necessary to provide strategic guidance to the leadership of the Telecommunication Development Bureau. The Advisory Board plays a special role during the initial period following the launch of the m-Powering Development initiative in helping to promote and provide strategic direction for its development and implementation and to ensure that the initiative remains true to its mission. The names of the Advisory Boards members are provided in Annex 1.

During the first meeting of the Advisory Board on 15 October 2013, Mr Sam Pitroda and Ms. Anne Bouverot were respectively appointed as Chair and Vice-Chair of the Advisory Board. Following deliberations during this meeting, the Board suggested the creation of working groups, as proposed by the Chairman, to survey the landscape and take stock of the activities being carried out in their respective fields of m-Health, m-Education, m-Commerce, Advocacy for mobile and Business Models. The working groups carried out their studies on a voluntary basis by electronic means and through online working. The groups presented the results of their study in the form a report at the Second meeting of the Advisory Board on 23 May 2014.

This report summarizes the latest work undertaken in relation to the m-Powering Development Initiative based on the findings of Working Groups of experts on m-Health, m-Learning, m-Commerce, Business Models and Advocacy to capitalize on and promote the new opportunities afforded by the growing availability and reach of mobile technology.

The Working Groups identify the key stakeholders engaged in their respective domains of activity and cite real life examples of m-powering good practices that can be replicated. The main identified gaps and challenges are also highlighted, as are recommended steps to address them.

Broadly speaking, these gaps, challenges and recommendations relate *inter alia* to inter-sectoral collaboration; models of sustainability; evaluation frameworks; partnerships; standards and interoperability; infrastructure; funding options, incentives and innovation; and local capacity building.

Finally, the report summarises the main conclusions reached by the m-Powering Development Initiative Working Groups in their endeavour to leverage the transformative power of mobile technology for the common good, especially in the less developed and remote parts of the world.



Advisory Board meeting



Advisory Board members during their first meeting on 15 October 2013.



Advisory Board members during their second meeting on 23 May 2014.

#### 2. WORKING GROUP ON M-HEALTH

#### 2.1 SUMMARY

M-Health is considered as a component or subset of e-Health that brings tremendous benefits to patients, healthcare providers, healthcare payers and governments. To date, no standardised definition of m-Health has been established. WHO defines m-Health or mobile health as: "Medical and public health practice supported by mobile devices, such as mobile phones, patient monitoring devices, personal digital assistants (PDAs), and other wireless devices. m-Health involves the use and capitalization on a mobile phone's core utility of voice and short messaging service (SMS) as well as more complex functionalities and applications including general packet radio service (GPRS), third and fourth generation mobile telecommunications (3G and 4G systems), global positioning system (GPS), and Bluetooth technology<sup>1.</sup>".

Real life examples cited in this report demonstrate that m-Health solutions not only enhance prevention, diagnosis, treatment and monitoring of diseases but also contribute to strengthen healthcare systems through improvements in emergency response, healthcare practitioner support, healthcare surveillance and administration.

Across the diversity of global health programmes, innovative ways to leverage mobile technologies including wireless communications infrastructure have emerged and been applied in a number of settings. From the most basic application of mobile telephony – namely person-to-person voice or text communication – to more sophisticated systems that provide health workers with decision-support tools, scheduling algorithms or point-of-care diagnostics, mobile phones are seen as an additional tool in the global quest to improve population and individual health, decrease pressure on healthcare systems and lower healthcare costs.

In order to realise the full potential of m-Health and to stimulate the scaling up of m-Health services across the globe, important barriers need to be addressed, in particular with respect to policy and regulation. As a guiding principle it is essential to put the individual/person/patient at the centre of the design, development and implementation of solutions, and of the regulatory frameworks that surround these processes. The m-Powering Development Initiative can play a key role by:

- Stimulating and facilitating collaboration between health, telecom and finance ministries both globally and nationally;
- Promoting the development of policies, and where appropriate regulation, stimulating innovative business
  models allowing for funding and reimbursement of m-Health services, by means of identifying and facilitating
  sharing of good practices/case studies;
- Supporting initiatives/projects aiming to develop and roll out m-Health education and training programmes/campaigns for healthcare professionals and patients.

#### 2.2 KEY M-HEALTH STAKEHOLDERS

Identification and mapping of stakeholders is an important process in the development of m-Health strategies, plans and projects. Different initiatives require different partnerships to be built. Hence, understanding which stakeholders are involved and which initiative is in play, enables an assessment of the collaboration opportunities, as well as of the gaps not yet addressed. For m-Health the stakeholders are diverse, coming from different backgrounds and directions. This is simply because e/m-Health is a multidisciplinary domain which by default requires a multi-stakeholder approach. Indeed, there are a number of groups and organisations already driving best practice, developing m-Health pilots and collaboration, providing proof points and stimulating dialogue in the m-Health space between these stakeholders. Examples of these groups/organisations include the Continua Health Alliance, the Health Information and Management Systems Society, GSMA, and WHO/ITU working in collaboration.

http://www.who.int/goe/publications/goe\_mhealth\_web.pdf

For the purpose of this report, the authors sought to include all stakeholders with a current or potential future interest in realising m-Health objectives. It is noteworthy that most stakeholders identified in these categories can belong to either the public or private sector.

#### 2.2.1 PATIENTS (& PATIENT ORGANISATIONS)

In people-centred healthcare, the person/patient is the single most important stakeholder: universal health coverage puts the patient at the centre of everything. Improving the health and quality of life of patients is the ultimate goal of health systems as it is for the patient who requires medical attention or information related to health. The rights of the patient must be respected and services should meet their needs at affordable cost. It is also critical that an environment of trust and safety is created as the acceptance of m-Health interventions is essential for success. This is particularly so in the areas of data management and medical device regulation. Patients also require training and education around their health needs/conditions and should be involved in the development and implementation of m-Health solutions.

#### 2.2.2 HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

Healthcare is provided through cadres of professionals and semi-professionals trained to undertake tasks and functions that contribute to improving people's health. These include physicians, nurses, laboratory technicians and pharmacists, each of whom has their own motivations, attitudes, knowledge and skills that determine their respective healthcare delivery roles. Respecting their roles and engaging them in the process of m-Health implementation is a prerequisite for success.

Health leaders, managers and administrators represent another category with a major stake in m-Health. The engagement of these personnel in m-Health initiatives is essential as they manage the healthcare services alongside care providers.

Numerous health workers' categories identified above belong to professional organisations (e.g. nurses' associations) or companies (e.g. manufacturers of health technologies), many from the for-profit private sector. It is therefore important to understand the motivations of these organisations and companies in order to facilitate their engagement in m-Health in a manner which benefits people and patients.

#### 2.2.3 HEALTHCARE PAYERS

This refers to entities other than the patient that finance or reimburse the cost of health services. In most cases, this term refers to insurance carriers, other third-party payers, or health plan sponsors (employers or unions). These need to understand the role of m-Health in cost recovery, reimbursement, and managing other transactions in a secure and timely manner.

#### 2.2.4 TELECOM OPERATORS

The role of telecom operators, as stakeholders, in m-Health is often portrayed as limited to providing infrastructure and platforms, connecting devices and providing services; and enabling systems to carry, store and analyse health data and move it from one point to another. Operators of course do enable connectivity, provide security and authentication, and ensure the seamlessness of workflow as an integral part of mobile health services. What is often forgotten however is that telecom operators' capabilities exist beyond these areas for they are also able to leverage expertise in billing and revenue mechanisms, customer care, device management and distribution networks. This means they have the additional ability to be involved in the provision of end-to-end service management as opposed to being limited to the role of connectivity providers. Their engagement and commitment to excellence is a cornerstone in the process. What is vital to the longer term success of m-Health and a prerequisite for operator investment is that services are both scalable and sustainable.

#### 2.2.5 REGULATORY AUTHORITIES

With regard to regulation and m-Health there is an overlap between the telecom and healthcare regulatory authorities, and a need for harmonisation of regulation between the two to enable the right environment for m-Health to thrive.

 Telecom regulatory authorities. The role of telecom regulators is to protect the interests of consumers by establishing general rules for the public delivery of telecom services, promoting effective and fair competition and facilitating the development of the telecoms market. As a stakeholder in m-Health they - alongside healthcare regulatory authorities - have a responsibility to ensure safety, promote patient and healthcare professional confidence and provide industry with sufficient certainty to innovate and bring new m-Health products and services to the market.

Healthcare regulatory authorities. Healthcare regulatory authorities at national level (NHR) and those above country level have the role of setting and enforcing standards for healthcare practices and services to ensure their compatibility with national laws and regulations. m-Health has not been fully integrated in healthcare service delivery which poses a major concern regarding its regulation. NHRs are key stakeholders in m-Health implementation as they set the rules for privacy, ownership and confidentiality of health data as well as funding/reimbursement criteria. While telecommunications regulators set the standard for technical interoperability, NHRs set the interoperability information standards to ensure patient safety and rights. Exchanging patient information using mobile technology requires full engagement by NHRs to ensure that technology as a carrier and health information as content meet people's needs.

#### 2.2.6 HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE VENDORS

These represent an important element in the m-Health stakeholders group. They provide the tools such as mobile phones, wearable devices, sensors and applications for individuals to send and receive data and information. Manufacturers and vendors are in control of the design of these tools, their functionality, cost and sustainability. Engaging them in m-Health development as an active stakeholder will ensure that they develop and deliver solutions that meet people's needs at affordable cost. It should be noted that achieving this cost objective typically requires scale, and in order to achieve scale solutions should be interoperable and produced using common and accepted standards such as the recently adopted Continua Health Alliance Design Guidelines<sup>2</sup>.

#### 2.2.7 M-HEALTH PROJECT TEAMS

These are the people who have the vision to bring all partners and stakeholders together to develop and deploy an m-Health solution. They assess the needs, study the feasibility, develop the business plan, allocate the budget, build the team, implement, monitor and evaluate.

#### 2.2.8 UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL BODIES

WHO, ITU, UNICEF, UNESCO and UNHCR are among the organisations with roles to play as stakeholders in m-Health. Many others also have m-Health development roles ranging from content development and provision, funding, standardisation, monitoring and evaluation, to project management in collaboration with national stakeholders, organisations and governments. These may also include international standard development organisations that play a major role in standardisation and interoperability.

#### 2.2.9 OTHERS

- Providers of healthcare related content such as health information on the Internet.
- Educators who provide basic or advanced knowledge on m-Health to citizens and other m-Health stakeholders.
- Funders who provide the financial resources necessary for the development and implementation of m-Health services.
- Non-government organisations (NGOs) that work with communities and provide health services at grass-root level. Many NGOs understand the needs and work closely with patients not only to provide care but also for health education and prevention purposes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>http://www.itu.int/net/pressoffice/press\_releases/2013/75.aspx#.UzHWDfl\_t9w</u>

 Communication and mass media workers who provide the necessary visibility to m-Health initiatives, highlighting the value and benefits to individuals and society at large.

#### 2.3 REAL LIFE EXAMPLES AND BEST PRACTICES

m-Health applications and services can be categorised in different ways. m-Health applications cover a wide range of health services including: data collection/disease surveillance; treatment adherence reminders; emergency medical response systems; health information systems; support to healthcare professionals; rural health workers; supply chain management; health financing; disease prevention; and health promotion. For the purpose of this report, these applications/services have been put into two main groups:

#### 2.3.1 SOLUTIONS ACROSS THE PATIENT PATHWAY

**Prevention** — refers to services used by government and non-government agencies to spread awareness and encourage people to adopt or avoid certain behaviours and practices to prevent or control disease. These services and applications aim to leverage the reach of the mobile platform to mobilise communities and promote healthy living.

Prevention services can include:

- Regular SMS or voice health information updates
- Subscription services to customers who sign up
- Games or quizzes played by mobile phone to raise awareness of diseases or health risks (Gamification).
- Health information videos distributed by mobile phone
- Services to respond to customers' questions about health

#### Example: Hello Doctor.

Launched in South Africa in December 2013, with an Indonesia launch expected in May 2014, the project aims to prevent or mitigate disease through preventative education and access to affordable medical advice. The advice line offers the general public the opportunity to talk directly to a doctor for medical information, counselling and advice on first aid, common medical problems, health conditions, risk factors and proper use of medication

#### Example: m-Cessation (m-Health for Smoking Cessation)

The project, launched in Costa Rica in April 2013, aims to prevent smoking-related diseases such as cancer and other lung diseases. Tobacco smoking has been recognised as a big problem in Costa Rica and many health costs are considered preventable by getting people to quit smoking. The project includes building and maintaining a database of mobile numbers based on a registration process, creating tailor-made short messages and developing two-way communication with smokers. This will entail managing both outgoing and incoming short messages. A mechanism for feedback and reporting management has been established at the Ministry of Health.

**Diagnosis** – includes services and solutions that help healthcare professionals connect with

patients geographically far away to provide diagnosis or triage.

Diagnosis services can include:

- Health call centre
- Patients video-conferencing with healthcare professionals for a diagnosis
- Apps that perform diagnoses
- Diagnostic devices that use mobile phones

#### Example: Mobile Baby

Launched initially in the United Republic of Tanzania, Nigeria, UAE and Saudi Arabia, from 2012 onwards the project was rolled out across the following countries: Afghanistan, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Ivory Coast, Benin, Togo, Niger, Central African Republic and Gabon. The project is a complete suite of services enabling birth attendants and midwives to ensure safer pregnancies, labour and delivery in remote areas. It provides ultrasound-based remote monitoring of pregnancy evolution, step-by-step protocol to identify and report danger signs during labour and delivery, money on the phone to pay for emergency transportation and communication with the referral facility indicating emergency transfer and requirements on arrival.

#### Example: Patient images (radiology) on Mobile.

Launched by the Jai Prakash Narayan Apex Trauma Centre (JPNATC) in New Delhi, India, in 2012, it has made Picture Archiving and Communication Systems (PACS) available on mobile phones for all doctors in the Centre. This enables doctors to view patient radiology in almost real time on their handheld devices over a secure connection, greatly improving decision-making capabilities.

**Treatment** – includes services that help treat patients remotely and ensure adherence to the required treatment regimen.

Treatment services can include:

- Treatment compliance solutions
- SMS medication reminders
- Smart pill bottles
- Smart pills

*Example: Vitality GlowCaps*<sup>™</sup> are a cost-effective and scalable solution to increase medication adherence. Randomised clinical studies have demonstrated that Vitality GlowCaps<sup>™</sup> can improve adherence from 70% to more than 95%.

#### Example: Cell Phone Applications for Clinical Diagnostic Therapeutic and Public Health Use by Front Line Healthcare Workers, Mozambique.

The project principals, researchers from the University of Melbourne, have created a suite of applications that can run on standard mobile phones. The applications provide Mozambican health workers with diagnostic and analytical tools including reference material in the phone's memory, a calculator for determining drug dosage, and a programme for analysing inputs from medical sensors (e.g., low-cost pulse oximeter probes or a simple electrocardiogram). The project ran from March 2008 to March 2009 and concluded with an evaluation of the impact and efficacy of the applications suite.

**Monitoring** – encompasses a broad set of services, applications and devices that help in periodic capture of important health parameters of chronically ill patients or those undergoing post-acute care. It includes monitoring patients to identify and confirm underlying illnesses and monitoring of the vital parameters of at-risk patients to track underlying conditions and take action in order to prevent exacerbation.

Monitoring services can include:

- Vital signs monitoring for chronic disease patients
- Emergency alarms and independent living solutions for the elderly

*Example: WellDoc Diabetes Manager.* This is an integrated patient coaching and nurse case management system to improve diabetes care. Benefits include:

- Proven improvement in A1c levels (1.9%) shown through randomised control trial study vs. a control group, significant even when compared to impact from medication-based intervention
- Potential to deliver significant financial saving for hospitals. Further clinical studies have demonstrated a 58% reduction in hospital stays
- Patients empowered to take greater responsibility for their own care
- Ability to track and store patient data for review by healthcare professionals

*Example: SIMpill and Tellumat, South Africa.* A pilot project launched in 2007 showed that with SIMpill, 90% of patients complied with their medication regime, compared to the typical 22 to 60% compliance rate without the system. Reminders to take daily medication using the mobile phone are an effective means to ensure drug regime adherence, which is critical for diseases like TB, where 99% of those infected can be cured with proper medication compliance. The solution is now available worldwide.

#### 2.3.2 HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS STRENGTHENING

**Emergency response** – Wireless systems enable communication between paramedics in ambulances and physicians in the hospital, plus transmission of a patient's vital parameters whilst en route.

*Example: Cisco's Connecting Sichuan healthcare initiative, China.* Features of the initiative include an enhanced ambulance connecting major hospital senior doctors with counterparts in remote areas to respond to natural disasters and other emergencies. The benefits include ability to reach disaster-hit areas and provide emergency diagnosis and treatment on site, and significantly faster patient access to treatment.

**Healthcare practitioner support** – **Intelligent** decision-support systems for diagnosis or treatment, information lookup, and information dissemination.

*Example: Health eVillages in Lwala, Kenya.* Variations on the service are also running in China, Haiti and in Kijabe, Kenya. The project aims at empowering healthcare professionals in Lwala through new and refurbished mobile phone and handheld devices. It provides the latest in clinical decision-support technology and medical references for health professionals on the ground, enabling the provision of improved public health services in poor, remote and previously underserved areas. The benefits include ensuring healthcare professionals have access to up-to-date medical information and empowering healthcare professionals to make clinical judgements on evidence-based clinical information.

*Example: Map of Medicine for Kijabe Hospital: Remote Data Collection, Kenya.* The challenge that was identified is that doctors in rural areas of Kenya are often forced to treat individual patients with little or no information about resources in neighbouring areas, impeding them from providing optimum care. The project gives Kenyan health workers at Kijabe Hospital access to the Map of Medicine, a medical information database, a web-based tool that provides comprehensive, up-to-date information on diagnosis and treatment, presented in easy-to-use flowcharts or 'care pathways'. Doctors participating in the pilot study were given PDAs and access to data on HIV/AIDS, TB, malaria, abdominal pain, diarrhoea, and typhoid fever. Hospital staff reported that the data access and entry via the PDAs has led to greater efficiency, more time with patients, and reduced administrative costs.

**Healthcare surveillance** – Services and tools that help public health professionals collect health-related information about populations and track the outbreak of diseases or epidemics.

*Example: Chobe Malaria Early Epidemic Detection System (MEEDS), Botswana.* Smart phones were provided to healthcare workers at 16 facilities in the Chobe District of Northern Botswana, enabling the facilities to submit regular reports to the Ministry of Health and the health workers to report real-time disease outbreak data, tag the data with GPS coordinates, and send out SMS disease outbreak alerts to all other healthcare workers in the district. The benefits include testing of suspected malaria cases, which increased from 11% to 98.4%, and the ability to centrally coordinate treatment and communicate disease outbreak alerts to prevent further spread of disease/infection.

*Example: Cell-PREVEN-Remote Data Collection.* Cell-PREVEN was created in Peru (2009) to allow access to real-time data to members of the healthcare ecosystem in the country. This interactive voice response system enables health workers in the field to collect and transmit data via basic mobile phones. The data is aggregated in a centralised database and made available to medical professionals, and the system is designed to send SMS or e-mail alerts if certain symptoms are recorded. It was concluded that "cell phones are a feasible means of collecting and reporting data in real time in remote communities ... it's not necessary to have the latest Palm Pilot or Tablet PC to create a sophisticated public health surveillance system".

**Healthcare administration** – Services that automate or streamline administrative or back-end processes related to healthcare provision and that positively impact the efficiency of the overall delivery system. Include services such as appointment reminders.

*Example: NHSmail SMS Appointment Reminders, United Kingdom.* The aim of this SMS messaging programme is to reduce the number and impact of patients failing to attend appointments. The benefits are easy to implement with improved outcomes delivered through higher attendance levels, increased healthcare staff productivity, and reduced waiting times for appointments, all factors improving access for patients to healthcare professionals.

*Example: Mobile birth registration in Liberia*. The Liberia Poverty Reduction Strategy identifies as one of its priorities the development of a population information system, and particularly, the improvement of birth registration. The Universal Birth Registration (UBR) system, the country's first decentralised electronic birth registration and certification system – launched in 2006 - aims to increase birth registration and certification for children under six to 90 per cent in two years, which represents an important step towards achieving the fundamental right of every child to a name and nationality at birth. An initiative under UBR promotes the use of mobile-cellular technology to collect birth registration information in rural areas, which is then transmitted via global positioning response signal (GPRS) to the main registration service. This Mobile Birth Registration (MBR) project has been implemented successfully in one county in Liberia and will be scaled up to other counties, allowing the printing of birth certificates in rural counties across the nation.

**Best practices and replication** – Among the challenges facing m-Health is building the knowledge and evidence base of best practices which would allow replication and/or scaling up. The above examples have common elements that could be considered for replication. These include:

- Public-private partnerships as the private sector plays a major role in supporting the public sector in implementation of m-Health initiatives;
- Addressing a healthcare challenge based on deep understanding of the health of the population that the m-Health project is attempting to assist;
- Measurable results which make monitoring and evaluation possible;
- Simple services such as SMS that build on the foundations of electronic health records and platforms are a good starting point, which can then over time be expanded into more complex solutions;
- Engagement of healthcare personnel in all phases of an m-Health solution.
- Engagement of the patient in the conception, design, development, testing and deployment of m-Health solutions.

#### 2.4 CURRENT STATE OF PLAY AND GAP ANALYSIS

Across the diversity of global health programmes, innovative ways to leverage mobile technologies including wireless communications infrastructure have emerged and been applied in a number of settings. From the most basic application of mobile telephony — that of person-to-person communication by voice or text - to more sophisticated systems that provide health workers with decision-support tools, scheduling algorithms or point-of-care diagnostics, mobile phones are being seen as an additional tool in the global quest to improve public and individual health, as well as decrease pressure on healthcare systems and associated costs. Whether as a tool able by itself to assist in the delivery of care (as in the case of modern sensor-enabled diagnostic mobile devices) or as a vehicle through which data is exchanged and information is delivered, the ultimate goal of the device/platform/service/data storage and management solution is that the m-Health solution is a catalyst to improve patient outcomes.

An m-Health solution usually takes one of three primary approaches towards:

- empowering the client or patient supporting them with access to information about preventive or curative care, reminders about drug adherence or motivation to change behaviours;
- assisting the provider helping with workflow management, activity tracking and record-keeping, clinical decision support, or clinical documentation; or
- strengthening the health system improving supply chain reporting, aggregate performance monitoring, or ensuring service delivery quality.

Increasingly, m-Health strategies maturing into larger implementation or mainstream integration target multiple levels of the system, bridging patient, provider and health system layers.

There is widespread recognition across development agencies, national governments, the telecommunications sector, the healthcare sector and private industry, of the potential inherent in leveraging ICTs for improvement of public health systems and individual patient outcomes. Despite the global proliferation of pilot projects numbering in the hundreds, if not thousands, few m-Health strategies have yet scaled to national or regional deployment and fewer have been adopted as part of global standards of care. Over the past few years, there have been active debate and discourse about the barriers and obstacles that may impede the widespread adoption of m-Health strategies.

Initially, it is likely that the novelty of the field, characterised by *widespread experimentation and a lack of a shared vocabulary to* describe m-Health innovation, contributed to some of this confusion. The inclusion of actors new to the discourse of health from the public and private sectors (e.g. telecommunications national authorities, ministries, regulators, mobile phone and telecommunications companies), brought together two communities/ecosystems each with their own strengths and approaches. This, combined with the inherently interdisciplinary nature of m-Health (spanning engineering, health sciences, communication, legislation, education and systems or implementation science), has contributed to the complexity of this emergent ecosystem.

Several additional mechanisms have been called for to strengthen the field of m-Health and improve the scalability of solutions. First, the importance of leveraging existing evidence-based practices and scientific principles in designing m-Health strategies has been stressed as a universal 'best practice'. A key shortcoming shared by many early m-Health projects was a concern that implementers were developing solutions in search of problems. This has been partially addressed with renewed emphasis by sponsors of m-Health innovation on clear articulation of the underlying health challenge or constraint which is being targeted by the technical solution.

Second, a systems approach to m-Health intervention design has been noted by many as critical, to allow incorporation of the up- and down-stream elements which could influence the relative success of a health programme. Engagement of the end user has been noted as important, to ensure that the design of systems integrates functionality and usability as key characteristics of long-term m-Health sustainability. Systems should be grounded in scientific principles, whether behaviour-change theory or tested economic precedent regarding performance-based incentives, etc. In short, the solution will not achieve scale, nor become commercially viable and therefore sustainable, unless it is adopted by end users.

Third, with regards to the solid foundation for m-Health innovation, recognition of the need for an enabling technical, regulatory and commercial environment has emerged. Governments, globally, are formulating national guidelines, standards and regulation to guide m-Health innovation, to prevent the proliferation of non-interoperable, siloed innovation. A lack of coherent strategies because of new grass roots innovations led to disconnected, duplicative

innovation that was inherently unscalable. Where appropriate, common, open-source, or shared architecture has been identified as a possible means to encourage interoperability, while national level policies, regulation (N.B. Regulation can also be at individual country level and above country, e.g. EU regulatory and policy initiatives) and standards governing issues such as common data elements (e.g. unique personal identifiers, facility codes, clinical conditions) allow for data exchange between programmes. These considerations also serve to facilitate integration into existing health systems, allowing for new digital information streams to be merged into national datasets, such as District Health Information Systems (DHIS).

It is reassuring to see that empirical evidence supporting the added-value of certain m-Health strategies is increasing rapidly. Certain strategies based on text-message support of drug adherence, or for stock-out prevention in low-resource settings, are being scaled up and mainstreamed. Increasingly, as more rigorous evaluations of these approaches become available and as the impact of m-Health strategies on health system processes or on health outcomes is repeatedly demonstrated, strategies will increasingly move from pilot to deployment at scale. The most challenging remaining unanswered questions seem to be around the value proposition to health systems and private payers to invest in m-Health; demonstrations at small scale are only beginning to translate into larger implementation at national or regional levels. Providing insight into the financial returns on investment for the public sector (e.g. improved efficiency and resource allocation, accountability, and population health) or the private sector (e.g. economic benefits, client engagement or customer base expansion, etc.) will be an important priority to address in the future. It should also be acknowledged here that to reach a sustainable m-Health level of scale, certainly within established markets, would require fundamental changes in traditional healthcare systems, with changes to patient treatment pathways and a move toward rewarding outcomes rather than just the act of a medical intervention.

#### 2.5 BUILDING SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) in m-Health operationalise a commitment by the public and the private sectors to work together for the purpose of designing, planning, financing, constructing and/or operating m-Health projects. Numerous PPPs in health have been in existence for many years. PPPs in m-Health take advantage of a technology developed for other purposes than health, and use it as a crucial vector for healthcare delivery services and other activities. Without public-private development, achieving scale and sustainability is incredibly difficult.

It is fair to say that no single m-Health PPP model fits all sizes/countries/communities. Partnerships are formed depending on the motives of the private sector and the government, the size of the market, the level of penetration of mobile technology, the literacy level of the population, the health needs as well as specific legal and ethical frameworks.

The public sector engages in PPPs for a variety of reasons, including to achieve greater value for money, to share or transfer risk to the private sector, to search for better performance through the intervention of private-sector parties, political attractiveness, and in response to budgetary constraints. It is important to ensure that none of these reasons or motives becomes the sole grounds for building partnerships in m-Health.

M-Health PPPs have become a common mechanism for implementation of projects in countries and in communities. Many of these PPPs are concluded with little consideration for either the expected benefits to the community or sustainability, despite the general consensus that the interests of people should always be placed at the centre of any PPP. Losing sight of this imperative or shifting the balance in favour of private over public interests will most likely compromise the sustainability of the partnership. A further point for consideration should be whether the specific technology used for the projects can evolve over time. Indeed, experience has demonstrated that a pilot project supported or sponsored by a vendor using a specific proprietary technology has no prospect for scaling up and achieving sustainability.

Technologies develop very fast and in a diversified manner, which makes them short-lived and most often not interoperable. Entering into a partnership with a technology vendor and/or mobile service provider should therefore not be at the expense of another, and public sector partners should insist on operability for all technologies used by the PPP. Deploying a technological solution is not the end of a project as sustainability requires maintenance and support all the way including through evolution to newer technologies as they become available and cost-effective. As the hardware and software manufacturers and vendors have technological expertise, PPPs would benefit if they could systematically address interoperability and standards issues.

In addition to the technology component, a number of considerations need to be taken into account when assessing the future sustainability and benefit to the people of m-Health PPPs. The latter face legal complexities as they often are trans-border and are multinational in many cases. Although mobile companies work under national jurisdictions, they belong to multinational companies. The potential conflicts from a legal standpoint between national and international interests - and between the private and public domains - thus need to be addressed.

Like other PPPs, m-Health PPPs require a clear level of transparency and accountability on the part of all participants. Clarity on objectives and end goals are also required, and it is only logical and legal that private sector partners will seek to make a profit, but this should be balanced with the need to deliver cost-effective solutions for the patient.

The objective of an m-Health project may dictate the type of partnership as from the public sector point of view the "content is king", while from the perspective of hardware and software manufacturers and vendors the technology is the master. This of course is not the case for other private stakeholders, such as health service providers who concentrate on content. Reconciling these two aspects and giving importance to both the content and the technology, while keeping the public interest in mind, is a safeguard for sustainability. As more PPPs and multi-stakeholder partnerships are in operation, reaching a common understanding of shared and distinct objectives between partners may become easier.

The lack of clarity on the financial sustainability (which should not necessarily be interpreted as profitability) of m-Health PPPs in low-income countries has so far slowed down private sector investments in this area. For this reason – despite the crucial need for increased financial investments in PPPs in order to scale up m-Health - very few large private sector groups have so far made important investments in the area of m-Health in low-income countries. The telecom and ICT sectors have understood the business opportunity perhaps sooner than the private health sector, simply by having witnessed the mobile revolution in their own field of operation. Nevertheless, the relatively modest investment by a few mobile operators into m-Health projects in low- and middle-income countries has not resulted in a significant scale up of these projects, nor in the creation of major or core business units around m-Health in these countries.

The traditional health private sector became aware only recently of the business opportunity provided by m-Health in low- and middle-income countries. This is exemplified by the fact that only 250 of the existing 97,000 mobile health apps were developed by the pharmaceutical industry<sup>3</sup>. New developments of such PPPs may follow the participation of a pharmaceutical manufacturers' association in the ITU-WHO m-Health NCD initiative. The situation is similar for the health insurance sector.

An additional constraint to the scaling up of m-Health projects is the lack of experience of the health and ICT sectors to work together, in the public and private sectors alike. Government health and telecommunications ministries are not natural partners and the pharmaceutical industry or health insurance sector are not traditional partners of telecom operators and Internet service providers. These partnerships are therefore complex to put in place, which is an additional challenge and constraint for m-Health scale up.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>http://research2guidance.com/pharma-companies-far-from-realizing-their-app-market-potential/;</u> <u>http://mobihealthnews.com/20814/report-1-7b-to-download-health-apps-by-2017/</u>

#### 3. WORKING GROUP ON M-LEARNING

#### 3.1 SUMMARY

Mobile devices have the potential to contribute significantly to education and learning across the world. However, uncertainty persists as to their precise impact, and how best they can be used to contribute positively to education and learning. The very rapid expansion of mobile connectivity and devices makes it both timely and important to consider ways in which they can be utilised effectively for education, and how the ITU can best contribute to this process.

In providing an overview of m-Learning and m-Education initiatives that are either already successful or promising, the m-Learning Working Group notes that there is still far too little rigorous evaluation and monitoring of such initiatives, and states the urgent need for quality comparative data to enable success factors to be clearly identified. It nonetheless acknowledges the widespread recognition of the potential of m-Learning to improve the delivery of education and skills acquisition.

This Working Group report also reviews the main stakeholders participating in m-Learning initiatives and summarises existing knowledge about good practices in this field, citing real life examples. Building on these considerations, the report identifies key gaps and challenges facing those seeking to implement m-Learning initiatives and recommends specific areas of activity that warrant particular attention in the framework of ITU's m-Powering Development Initiative. These areas focus on:

- Support and advocacy for the fundamental importance of appropriate monitoring and evaluation;
- Support for and engagement in activities that enhance awareness of m-Learning by governments and their understanding of the essential need for all mobile initiatives to be approached in a holistic manner, involving all relevant ministries and partners;
- Sharing and showcasing good practices in m-Learning as part of the wider m-Powering Development Initiative; and
- Support for the creation of an open mobile app to provide free sharing of m-Learning content as well as the dissemination of commercial resources.

The m-Learning Working Group suggests that the primary role of ITU's m-Powering Development Initiative should be to engage with telecommunication ministries and regulators, and that its main emphasis should be to advocate and influence, rather than to deliver physical products. It also favours an approach that seeks to do a few things really well, rather than try to be over-ambitious and fail to do anything satisfactorily.

#### 3.2 WHY M-LEARNING AND M-EDUCATION

It is widely argued that the future of education is through the Internet, and that the Internet is increasingly being accessed through mobile devices. If these propositions are accepted, it follows that learning through mobile devices connected to the Internet will have a very significant role to play in the future. Mobile devices are also generally cheaper, more ubiquitous, frequently personal, and above all usable in parts of the world that would otherwise have limited access to formal learning environments. Whilst learning and teaching with and through mobile devices is a subset of the wider field of ICT in education, it nevertheless has distinct characteristics, such as greater affordability, greater ubiquity, and smaller size, which require a reconsideration of some, although by no means all, of the findings gained from more traditional computer based learning.

Even though much is already known about m-Learning/Education, and many associated initiatives currently exist in the field, there is still a need for greater understanding of its impact on and potential for learning and teaching. It is necessary to know more about why m-Learning is important, who it is important for, what countries and companies are seeking to achieve and deliver through m-Learning, and the progress achieved so far.

#### 3.3 KEY PRINCIPLES

In responding to these issues, the Working Group adopted six main principles:

- It should not seek to replicate or duplicate existing initiatives, but should rather identify *relevant gaps* where the ITU has a competitive advantage.
- It recognises a *diversity of views and opinions*.
- It should promote good practices, which can then be localised and adapted in particular contexts, rather than advocating a single best practice.
- M-Learning is but one aspect of a wider field of e-learning/education, and many of the principles of good practice in the latter are relevant to m-Learning.<sup>4</sup>
- There are many definitions of the mobile "m-"in m-Learning/Education. For the purpose of this exercise the term is being used to refer to all kinds of education and learning undertaken through the use of mobile devices, most commonly mobile 'phones and tablets, but also including laptops and other devices where appropriate.<sup>5</sup>
- The Working Group aimed to be as inclusive as possible in its recommendations, recognising that many different types of m-Learning/Education initiatives have been developed and funded by a diversity of actors including governments, development agencies, the private sector (both as commercial services offered, and also as corporate social responsibility or other activities funded by the private sector), social enterprises and civil society.

#### 3.4 SUCCESSFUL AND PROMISING M-LEARNING INITIATIVES

The Working Group recognised that there are many existing m-Learning and m-Education initiatives, developed in a range of contexts. However, there is insufficient rigorous monitoring and evaluation of such initiatives to be able to reach firm conclusions as to what makes them successful.

Moreover, there are many different criteria for success, with members of the Working Group often having markedly different views on this issue. From a commercial private sector perspective, success is sometimes initially measured primarily in terms of the number of devices sold, or the profits generated, whereas from a teachers' perspective it is more usually measured in terms of learning outcomes in particular fields of study. Within the context of what some see as a global learning crisis, many governments place particular emphasis on key indicators such as numeracy and literacy.

Some of the more important success criteria include measures such as:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The concepts of m-Education and m-Learning are subtly different, with the former often being used for top-down institutional structures (to facilitate learning within educational systems) and the latter more usually for bottom-up and less formal processes (to facilitate self-learning within and beyond the formal school environment). The Working Group believes that the term m-Learning is more appropriate for this title, reflecting an approach where the learner is at the heart of the learning process, and is therefore recommending a change in the Group's name to the m-Learning Working Group. We recognise that organisations such as the m-Education Alliance prefer the use of the term m-Education, since they see this as referring to the Education sector, whereas "learning" can refer to any type of learning. The distinction made in this report, and that is widely used elsewhere, is that "learning" is a process that primarily focuses on the experience of the learner, whereas "education" is more focused on the system and structures within which that learning takes place. Using "learning" suggests more of a user/learner-centred approach. This does not in any way, though, negate the importance of teachers as facilitators in the learning process. Indeed, teachers are crucial in m-Learning.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Whether or not to include initiatives specifically focusing on laptops was debated at some length, but the dominant view in the Working Group was that the important attribute was the physical sense of mobility rather than any specific technological preferences. It is therefore important to be 'device agnostic' in discussing m-Learning.

- Enhanced learning outcomes, differentiated by study subject
- Value for money with respect to alternative modes of learning
- Scale and number of users
- Increases in the quantity and quality of learning materials/educational software available for mobile platforms
- Attainment of relevant skills for employment, focusing especially on collaborative learning and assessment<sup>6</sup>
- Numbers of devices sold or rolled out to learners<sup>7</sup>
- Enhanced levels of Internet use, and thus revenue for ISPs and mobile operators<sup>8</sup>
- Enhanced use of education-based value-added services
- Enhanced literacy and numeracy skills
- Increase in employability of learners
- Sustainability and funding mechanisms

Overall, the Working Group strongly believes that there is a need to undertake further high quality assessments of the impact of mobile initiatives on learning outcomes, so that these can be shared more widely amongst all stakeholders.

Most such initiatives by definition have focused on the use of one specific technology, such as a particular brand of laptop, a particular mobile 'phone, or specific mobile game or piece of software. We strongly recommend that this approach be replaced by one in which mobile devices are instead integrated into a holistic systematic approach to learning that utilises a range of technologies (e.g. books, desktop computers, tablets, mobile devices, the Internet) and activities or experiences to enhance learning. It should also be an approach that involves several different partners, each of which brings their own particular expertise to the initiative.

Another complexity in recommending m-Learning or m-Education initiatives that currently appear to be particularly successful, is that many such initiatives are not specifically designed for schools, but are instead focused on providing training for health workers or farmers, and therefore reflect overlap with these sectors. The approach adopted here has therefore been to focus primarily on initiatives specifically for formal education, although also including a small number that are for vocational and wider purposes.

Members of the Working Group identified many examples of initiatives that they believed were worthy of mentioning, some specific and some generic. Annex 2 provides a short list of such initiatives and gives an indication of the richness of this field. The following initiatives were seen as being particularly successful:

Agastya Mobile Labs (<u>www.agastya.org/how/how-we-do-it/mobile-labs</u>) - Tapping the valuable resource of bright but underprivileged children and teachers in rural India, Agastya provides an environment in which they can create, tinker, seek solutions and find them. Agastya encourages enquiry from children, who are inquisitive by nature.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> These skills are sometimes termed 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills, but the term is not used here because not all members of the Working Group endorse this particular concept.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Although not all Working Group members accepted this criterion, it is included because it is indeed the fundamental underlying criterion of success for many companies, although not necessarily those represented on the Working Group. The fundamental rationale of all private sector companies is to make profit for their shareholders, and ultimately the number of devices sold is important. Moreover, for many governments, the number of devices given to learners is also often used as a criterion of success, even if there is no measurable impact on learning.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Again, this criterion was questioned by some members of the Group, whereas others recognised that although companies might not wish to be so blatant in their marketing, this is indeed an important criterion for them in terms of their rationale for encouraging m-Learning along with other mobile initiatives. Profitability would ensure sustainability of any mLearning solution and encourage high quality and further innovation.

- BBC Janala Mobile phones for adult literacy (Bangladesh) (<u>www.bbcjanala.com/</u>) On TV, online, in print and accessible through even the most basic mobile phone handset, the multi-platform English language service also works through roughly 6,000 English clubs across the country.
- Dr Math (<u>http://mathforum.org/dr.math/</u>) A question and answer service for maths students and teachers.
- Mobiles for Education Alliance (<u>www.meducationalliance.org</u>) Consortium of international organisations focused on mobile technologies for education, primarily in developing countries.
- Nokia Life Tools (<u>www.nokia.com/in-en/support/fag/?action=singleTopic&topic=FA132357</u>; No longer operational, despite having 80 million subscribers J An <u>SMS-</u>based subscription information service designed for <u>emerging markets</u> offering a wide range of information services covering healthcare, agriculture, education and entertainment.
- Tangerine technology, RTI (<u>www.tangerinecentral.org</u>/) Electronic data collection software for use on mobile devices to enable recording of student responses.
- Text2Teach, Philippines (<u>www.text2teach.org.ph/</u>) Aims to contribute to the quality of teaching and learning in underserved schools and communities in the Philippines
- UNESCO's Mobile Learning work (<u>www.unesco.org/new/en/unesco/themes/icts/m4ed/</u>) UNESCO's programme
  of activities is based on growing partnerships geared towards exploring how mobile technologies can enable
  the achievement of Education For All.
- Urban Planet Mobile (<u>www.urbanplanetmobile.com/what-we-do</u>) With products ranging from basic word and phrase lessons to TOEFL & SAT preparation, to a new online writing tool with assessment and tutorials, Urban Planet specialises in forward-thinking educational tools.
- Worldreader (<u>www.worldreader.org/</u>) Using e-books to advance early grade reading.
- Yoza (<u>vozaproject.com</u>/) originally known as M4Lit, providing m-novels in a funky youth-zone with engaging stories that include more Kontax episodes as well as stories from other genres, e.g. soccer, issues and teen romance.

Above all else, this survey indicates that there are not only many existing m-Learning initiatives, but also that there are already several global coalitions working in this field, notably the work led by UNESCO, the Mobiles for Education Alliance and the GSMA. This re-emphasises that whatever recommendations are made under the m-Powering Development Initiative recognise such ongoing work, and identify specifically the areas where the ITU and its partners are best placed to have an impact that is complementary to these existing activities.

#### 3.5 MAIN STAKEHOLDERS WORKING ON M-LEARNING

One of the specific remits of the working group is to identify the main stakeholders involved in m-Learning and m-Education initiatives. The following provides a list of the generic and specific stakeholders identified the Working Group:

#### Generic

Many groups of stakeholders are involved in developing m-Learning solutions. Among the most important are:<sup>9</sup>

#### 3.5.1 INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

- UN bodies (UNESCO, ITU, UNDP, UNICEF)
- Regional organisations

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> It is by no means easy to cluster these diverse stakeholders into mutually exclusive groups, but this classification is intended to emphasise the complexity involved, and to go beyond just a simple division into the public sector, the private sector and civil cociety.

- La Francophonie
- Commonwealth organisations
- Multilateral donors
- Standards organisations

#### 3.5.2 NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS AND PUBLIC SECTOR ORGANISATIONS

- Ministries
  - o Education
  - o Communications/ICT
  - Finance/Commerce
  - o Employment
- Education regulators and standards authorities
- National curriculum authorities
- Examination boards
- Bilateral donor agencies

#### 3.5.3 PRIVATE SECTOR COMPANIES

- Commercial publishers
- Companies as employers
- ICT industry (e.g. Apple, LG, Microsoft, Samsung)
  - o Mobile 'phone producers
  - PC and tablet suppliers
  - o Telecom equipment producers
- Network operators
- ICT solutions enablers<sup>10</sup> (e.g. Intel, Microsoft, Google)
- Telecommunications companies
  - o Infrastructure providers (e.g. Alcatel-Lucent, Cisco, Ericsson, Huawei)
  - Mobile operators (e.g. Orange, Vodafone, Mobilink and many others)
- Private Sector examination bodies
- Software developers
- Gaming industry

#### 3.5.4 CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS

- NGOs
- Think Tanks

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> This term was not liked by all Working Group members.

- Trade Unions
- End-user associations

#### 3.5.5 EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS AND THEIR STAFF

- Educationalists/Teachers
- Institutional leaders
- Administrators
- Universities (research and teaching)
- Schools

#### 3.5.6 CITIZENS

- Learners
- Parents
- Open content providers
- Groups of end-users

#### 3.5.7 PARTNERSHIP ORGANISATIONS

Alliances and networks

This framework emphasises above all that many different types of organisation have significant interests in m-Learning and m-Education, and therefore that it is important to adopt a holistic, inclusive approach to any such initiatives.

#### 3.6 SPECIFIC STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGED IN M-LEARNING AND M-EDUCATION

Many specific organisations were also identified as having particular interests in m-Learning and m-Education, and these are listed in Annex 3. Among these, four stood out as being of particular prominence:

- BBC Media (see for example <u>http://downloads.bbc.co.uk/mediaaction/policybriefing/bbc\_media\_action\_health\_on\_the\_move.pdf</u>)
- GSMA (<u>www.gsma.com/connectedliving/meducation/;</u> www.gsma.com/mobilefordevelopment/programmes/mobile-for-employment)
- mEducation Alliance (<u>www.meducationalliance.org</u>)
- UNESCO (<u>www.unesco.org/new/en/unesco/themes/icts/m4ed/</u>)

#### 3.7 GOOD PRACTICES

Although there remain insufficient rigorous evaluations of m-Learning and m-Education initiatives, especially from a user perspective, there is widespread agreement amongst practitioners on good practices that can help to ensure success. Many of these build on the substantial literature on good practices in the wider field of e-Learning, as well as the experience acquired from existing m-Learning projects and initiatives.

Annex 4 provides references for some recent literature on effective m-Learning, and could provide the initial basis for a more extensive review of resources that could be used by stakeholders interested in developing m-Learning initiatives.

Annex 5 lists all of the good practices identified by Working Group members. Of these, the following were the most frequently cited as being of most significance:

Focus on learning outcomes not technology, mobile devices should be seen as a tool to implement pedagogy and as one of many such technologies available to teachers.

- Involve teachers and users at all stages from design to implementation and review, ensure that effective inservice and pre-service training, as well as on-going peer support, is available.
- Consider sustainability, maintenance and financing right at the beginning.
- Think holistically and systemically.
- Ensure that all relevant government ministries and departments are involved.
- Ensure equality of access to all learners, especially those who are marginalised (particularly those with disabilities and those without access to existing education systems).
- Appropriate and rigorous monitoring and evaluation must be in place; independent peer reviewed evaluations should be disseminated widely.
- Involve participatory approaches in design so as to ensure that adopted technology is user-centric.

In identifying these good practices, it is important to stress that they should not be seen as "best" practices that will always lead to success. Indeed, an important overall aspect of this report is that it has very explicitly avoided the notion of "best practices" in favour of an approach that encourages those engaged in developing m-Learning initiatives to draw on a range of good practices that are relevant to their own geographically diverse national or local contexts.

#### 3.8 MAIN GAPS AND CHALLENGES

A key role of the Working Group is to identify existing gaps and the challenges that need to be addressed to ensure effective use of mobile devices for development.

Annex 6 provides an initial working list of such gaps and challenges, with the following identified by the Working Group as most significant:

- The imperative need to ensure joined up approaches across all Government ministries involved and to encourage cross-sector work. It is important that Ministries of Education work jointly with Telecommunication or ICT Ministries within the context of their national ICT and broadband strategies.
- Open *Platforms for sharing mobile-learning content*. Not many yet exist, but such platforms could be valuable and effective resources for users to share content and to reduce duplication of effort.
- Effective and rigorous monitoring and evaluation. Not enough is yet known about what really works; need for more direct evidence of success of m-Learning within the school system (K-12).
- Sharing contextualised examples of good practices. This is essential in order to reduce duplication of effort, and to avoid reinventing the wheel.
- Affordability. In many countries access to broadband either does not exist or is far too expensive for most
  people to use for learning. Need to work closely with other initiatives such as the work of the Broadband
  Commission, and the Alliance for Affordable Internet to enable widespread access at affordable cost.
- Connectivity. Need to ensure universal access to the Internet, both spatially and also socially, as well as
  access at effective speeds.
- *Creation of effective multi-stakeholder partnerships* with the ability to implement; many people talk about partnerships, but not all have real expertise in crafting and implementing true multi-stakeholder partnerships.
- Lack of relevant content, especially in local languages, and differentiated according to the learning needs of students.

It should also focus especially on the core agenda of the Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) and its Secretariat, the Telecommunication Development Bureau, whose main mission is "to foster international cooperation and solidarity in the delivery of technical assistance and in the creation, development and improvement of telecommunication/ICT equipment and networks in developing countries".

#### 4. WORKING GROUP ON M-COMMERCE

#### 4.1 SUMMARY

Mobile solutions facilitate easy access to new markets and lead to sustainable development with their potential to reach masses in the developing world. Mobile connectivity and increased use of mobile devices therefore offer tremendous opportunities for companies, businesses and governments to propose a wide range of services at practically any time and in any place.

As the uptake of mobile devices and mobile connectivity gained momentum, many businesses and governments recognised the possibility to conduct commercial transactions using mobile technology. This has led to the development of modern m-Commerce systems, including an m-payment component, without which no service can claim to be mobile.

M-Commerce systems have naturally emerged as a result of e-Commerce systems. During this process they evolved from simply transferring e-Commerce principles to mobile devices and to special applications stored and operated in a protected environment, to provide strong multi-factor authentication, data encryption and menu usability. The success of mobile technology, the growing popularity of smartphones, and the development of cryptography all contribute to prospects for mobile devices to perform secure wireless payment, banking, and other remote transactions requiring a high protection level. Due to its central role, m-Commerce is perceived as a tool to leverage all other mobile services.

This report focuses on the main characteristics of m-Commerce systems and also provides an overview of various best practices.

#### 4.2 MOBILE-BASED SERVICES

The attractiveness of mobile devices for the delivery of m-Commerce, m-Health, m-Education, m-Government and other services can be explained by many factors. First, mobile devices are the most widespread form of ICTs in use today. Due to technological progress, modern mobile devices now have powerful core processors and operate over high-speed communication channels, using 3G and 4G broadband networks. Thus, the costs of mobile devices and the communication channels they use have become more affordable and continue to show a downward trend. Today, there are nearly as many mobile devices as people in the world.

Secondly, mobile devices are "always on", allowing users connectivity practically anytime, anywhere, even in moving transport. The great potential of mobile devices is evidenced by the particular attention paid to them by numerous organisations, including the ITU, which has elaborated standards for the security of mobile financial transactions, while actively sharing experience in this area. During the period 2010-2014, Study Group 2 of the ITU Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) developed a "Toolkit for creating ICT-based services using mobile communications for e-government services" to explain how to use these standards and to demonstrate how mobile-based systems are built in various countries.

Mobile technology progress, the growing popularity of smartphones, and the development of cryptography all contribute to the prospect of mobile devices offering secure wireless payment, banking, and other remote transactions requiring a high level of protection.

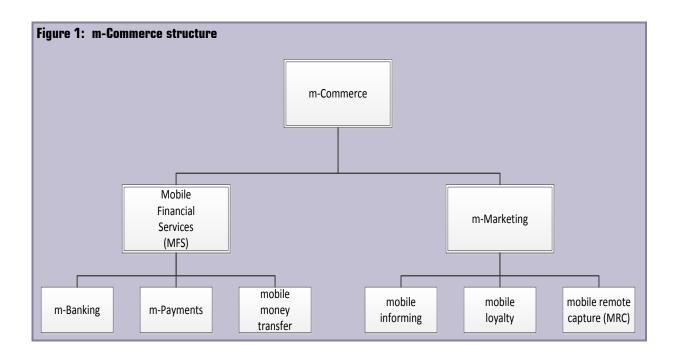
Mobile devices offer a wide range of communication options, which can be used to provide remote services:

- Voice-based services are available through voice communication with the operator of a call centre or IVR system. These services are convenient for the elderly and visually impaired persons but lack a high security level: information is openly transferred while authentication is carried out using the phone number and code words.
- Web-based platforms using Internet services developed for desktop computers. Authentication is mainly carried out using a password — sometimes a one-time password. Encryption is available using the SSL protocol, but these services are not entirely suitable for use on mobile devices owing to the particular characteristics of the latter (small screen and degraded keypad).

- SMS or USSD-based services are specific features of mobile devices. They lack a high level of security and are
  not very user friendly. Authentication is carried out via MSISDN; encryption is not available. Due to their low
  security level, SMS or USSD-based formats offer only a limited range of services and have restricted payment
  limits.
- Services based on special applications in mobile devices or Secure Element are the most appropriate for users. Depending on implementation, they can provide maximum security for multi-factor authentication and data encryption, operating within a Trusted Execution Environment.

#### 4.3 CLASSIFICATION OF M-COMMERCE SERVICES

Mobile commerce consists of Mobile Financial Services (MFS) and m-Marketing (see Figure 1 and Table 1). According to Figure 1, MFS consist of m-Banking, m-Payment and m-Money transfer. M-Marketing consists of mobile informing, mobile loyalty and mobile remote capture.



#### **Table 1: Definitions**

Mobile Device	A mobile device is a device with mobile communication capabilities such as a telecom network connection, Wi-Fi and Bluetooth that offer a connection to the internet or other communications networks. Examples of mobile devices include mobile phones, smart phones and tablets.
m-Commerce	Mobile Commerce is the delivery of electronic commerce capabilities directly into the consumer's mobile device, anywhere, anytime via cellular and wireless networks.
Mobile Financial Services	Mobile Financial Services is an umbrella term used to describe any financial service that is provided using a mobile device.
m-Marketing	Mobile Marketing is the marketing process, using mobile devices for communication with customers, for the purpose of selling products or services.
m-Banking	Mobile banking in its simplest form lets a user retrieve the balance of an account, a small number of recent transactions, and transfer funds between accounts held by the user. In its widest application mobile banking is advanced enough to replace the entire suite of services offered through a bank branch and Internet banking services.

#### Table 1: Definitions (end)

m-Payments	Mobile Payments are payments for which the data and instruction are initiated, transmitted or confirmed via a mobile device. This can apply to online or offline purchases of services and digital or physical goods as well as P2P payments, including fund transfers. Mobile payments are often divided into two main categories; proximity payments and remote payments. However, the two are converging as neither is tied to a specific technology.
Mobile Money Transfer (MMT)	A Mobile Money Transfer is the exchange of funds from one party to another, using a mobile device to either initiate and/or complete the transaction.
Mobile Informing	Mobile Informing is an information service, using mobile devices. The advantage of this service is that information comes directly into the consumer's device, anywhere, anytime via cellular networks. Examples of such services include bank informing and advertising.
Mobile Loyalty	Mobile Loyalty is a loyalty system, using mobile devices.
MRC	The availability of cameras in smartphones has given rise to the ability to capture cheques, bills and other payment-related documents remotely instead of having to bring them to a bank. Using a mobile application, the user takes a picture of a document that is analysed by the MRC software to read out the payment instructions. The instructions are then submitted to the bank for processing. Alternative names for this type of feature are remote deposit capture, or mobile remote deposit.
MPS	Mobile Payment System

More terms and definitions used in mobile commerce are defined in "Mobile Financial Terms" Whitepaper (<u>www.mobeyforum.org/whitepaper/mobile-financial-terms-explained-2/</u>), issued by Mobey Forum. This document can be found in Annex 4 «Mobey Forum Definitions Whitepaper».

#### 4.4 M-COMMERCE KEY DRIVERS AND KEY ISSUES

Key drivers	m-Commerce
	High penetration of mobile devices
	Always "on-line"
	Fast growing capabilities of mobile devices
	Trust
	Easy to use: comfort
	Cost savings
	Previous experience of Internet shopping
	Business opportunities
Key issues	Security
	Convenience and availability
	Regulation/Legislation
	International Standards
	Affordability

#### **Table 2: Key drivers and key issues**

#### Key drivers

"Security" is most essential as it engenders trust and faith. Regulations in this area should include protection of transaction data privacy. "Convenience" is tied to ease of use and device capabilities; "availability" relates to the spread of devices amongst traders and enhanced network systems. Though "regulation" by telecom and banking

regulators is vital, greater clarity will be required on *"legislation"* as a key issue in the present context — i.e. what exactly are the areas in which legislation will be required? *"International standards"* are good for setting interoperable platforms across countries and also to set technological standards for various modes of transactions such as IVRS, SMS or USSD-based mobile transactions. The role of international standards is also very important in terms of security.

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#### 4.5 MAIN STAKEHOLDERS

Main stakeholders	m-Commerce
Customers	+++
Professionals in technology and services	+++
Governments/Regulatory bodies	++
Banks	+++
Telco operators	+++
Services & App providers	+++
IT Technology vendors	++
Content providers	+
International organisations	++
Funding/Sponsors	+

#### Table 3: Main stakeholders

In the view of the Working Group, the average customer, who has no alternate means of access to banking and financial services, is the central stakeholder and the m-Banking framework must essentially target this category.

Inclusion of banks as stakeholders is important because they perform key functions in m-banking both in a bank-led and telco-led framework, as transactions from the bank account will require connectivity between the telco and the bank, possibly through a banking platform. It is also essential to include the relationship between the banking and telecom regulators and their responsibilities in the m-banking framework. The eco-system around m-Commerce transactions needs a reliable communication carriage system and a stable payment settlement mechanism governed by regulations of the telecom and the banking sectors respectively.

#### 4.6 REQUIREMENTS FOR M-PAYMENT SYSTEMS

Many existing payment systems are called mobile payment systems (MPS). Below is a description of current MPS models.

Two operation types should be available in MPS:

- Operations initiated by Clients (including P2P transactions)
- Operations initiated by Merchants

In order to implement these operation types a unique identifier (ID) should be assigned to their users. A Mobile Station International Subscriber Directory Number (MSISDN) – a number used for the international identification of mobile phone numbers (International Standard E.164 ITU-T) – seems to be the most convenient User ID, as users generally remember their phone numbers and therefore will not have to memorise a different one for identification purposes. Besides, the ID may be digitally entered into devices which may, for example, only have an ATM number pad. At the same time, users may bind their digital ID to any unique pseudonym they define. In certain cases, pseudonyms allow users not to disclose their telephone number when conducting transactions.

The user can have several means of payment (numerous bank accounts, payment cards, mobile network operator accounts, operators of e-money payment systems, etc.). Thus, each means of payment is provided an alias during its registration. The user, after receiving a payment request from the seller, may select any one of them.

As an example: User decides to make a payment in a restaurant and gives his pseudonym or telephone number to the waiter, who initiates the payment processing request on the restaurant payment system. This request is forwarded by the system to the payer according to his ID. After agreeing to pay on demand, the payer selects an available means of payment from among those previously registered in the payment system and returns the response to request, providing an alias for the selected means of payment. The payment system uses the alias to identify the holder of the means of payment and the appropriate account.

The following means of payment may be used as sources for Mobile Payment Systems:

- Bank accounts
- Bank cards issued by local or global payment systems, including virtual cards
- Personal accounts of a mobile network operator subscriber
- Other cash deposit and withdrawal accounts
- E-money

It is mandatory that a maximal share of payments in a State financial system be cashless. Cashless payments are carried out by banks and as such cannot be anonymous, thus enabling the State to monitor citizens' income and expenses and to counteract illegal business. Moreover, non-cash money is not kept in a piggy bank, but is actively used by the financial system, increasing the velocity of money circulation through the economy as people transact. This also appears to be a positive factor for the State. In some jurisdictions, the central bank may be reluctant to permit non-banking entities to function as banks - i.e. they may favour a bank-led means of payment including bank accounts and payment cards. However, it should be noted that the use of cards issued by international payment systems draws additional contributions to the latter, and also allows them to manipulate payment services. Consequently, non-bank means of payment are not favoured by the State but may be attractive to users because they are easy to subscribe to and allow payments to be anonymous in some cases.

The inconsistency of these two tendencies can be resolved by limiting non-bank payment amounts and by the following measures:

- Licensing and registration processes
- Customer identification
- Record keeping
- Internal controls and monitoring
- Guidelines

- Reporting obligations
- Supervision and oversight
- Preventive framework for cross-border transactions
- Staff training

### 4.7 SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

As mentioned earlier, the most convenient system for users has applications pre-loaded onto mobile phones. These applications provide multi-factor user authentication, encryption and decryption of transferable data; they also offer the user menu facilitating transactions. The entire application or that part of the application containing sensitive data should be stored in the Secure Element, which can be a SIM/UICC card, built-in storage, or a special tamper-proof SD card. Usage of SIM/UICC cards as a Secure Element seems very attractive, but makes the provider of m-Commerce services dependent on the mobile network operator which owns the cards. As noted by GSMA, which has been involved in discussions with the European Commission since 2001 on the various approaches mobile operators may use to enter the financial services sector:

- Mobile operator as a provider of telecommunications services only
- Mobile operator as a provider of financial services

Some opportunities presented by industry from both the mobile operator and consumer perspectives are listed below:

- Complementary capabilities mobile operators and financial institutions have different strengths and histories in these areas and significant work is necessary to deliver a good mix of capabilities combining financial services offered by financial institutions and the broad reach of consumers offered by mobile networks.
- Ease of use as financial services and telecommunication services converge, it becomes possible for the mobile handset to perform a new array of digital services. The ease of use offered to both mobile subscribers and users of financial services is driving both industries towards a more inter-connected world.
- Transparency and traceability all digital activities can be traced and the same is true of digital financial services. Using a mobile handset to pay for goods can allow both the payer and the payee to have access to transaction logs, adding more transparency and traceability to the activity compared to cash transactions.
- Servicing unserved markets many mobile money operators will look to capitalise on the ubiquity of mobile networks where financial services lack reach, as is the case in many developing nations. The value to the mobile subscriber is financial inclusion. For the mobile operator and a range of other service delivery agents, new revenue opportunities arise. The nation as a whole can benefit from the general uplift in commerce and the alleviation of poverty.
- Servicing under-served markets financial institutions incur additional costs when they maintain both cashbased and card-based payment systems, while the results of traditional banks are affected when they do not extend their services to low-value customers. Mobile money operators take advantage of the ubiquity of mobile handsets and networks to deliver low-cost financial services to capture high volume, low value transactions in a cost-effective manner.

In line with the context described above, the GSMA is committed to supporting the development of interoperable services in this area, in order to lower costs, increase choice and help the market grow in a sustainable way.

However, in some countries only banks are authorised to offer financial services, meaning that mobile operators may not offer mobile payment services there. According to acquired experience, mobile network operators reluctantly cooperate with banks and that slows down the development process. So, tamper-proof microSD cards appear as an alternative to SIM/UICC cards, which allows banks to be independent from mobile operators as mobile payment service providers. It is well known that reliability of authentication is reached by multi-factor authentication, which is the combination of three factors:

- Something you have (mobile device with the special application)
- Something you know (password or PIN code)
- Something you are (biometric)

Normally, two-factor authentication is used in regards to the first two factors while a password or PIN code known only to the user is used in the mobile device to protect against unauthorised application launch by an intruder. However, mobile technology is developing very rapidly, and new solutions and opportunities are emerging constantly. The most recent and interesting developments - from a financial services perspective - seem to be occurring in biometrics, with some of the most prominent companies (e.g., PayPal, Samsung, Apple TouchID) taking first steps in implementing biometric authentication solutions. There is a constant demand to know and learn more, and to keep abreast of both the most promising technologies available and their developers. Lately, due to the efforts of the Natural Security Alliance association, a standard biometric authentication method using fingerprints has come to the fore. Biometric authentication can replace the PIN method. Otherwise, two-factor authentication may become three-factor authentication with the use of biometric authentication.

To ensure a higher security level, mobile devices will be able to provide a so-called Trusted Execution Environment (TEE), which protects from the interception of data transferred between units within the mobile device, such as between the keypad or the display and the Secure Element where the application is stored. An application should contain a minimum amount of sensitive information and store only the data required for user authentication and encryption keys. All remaining information, including credit card or accounts data, should be securely stored within the server by the payment system operator. Such allocation not only provides a higher security level, but also facilitates creation of new services and modification of existing ones with minimum interference in the mobile device.

The following factors define successful practical implementation of the system:

- Costs of system creation and maintenance
- Financial losses due to fraud
- Usability for customers

Obviously, these factors contradict one another. Usually, a higher security level results in less convenience for users and higher costs in the creation and maintenance of the system, which means that customers will pay more for its use. These factors may prove dissuasive to clients. As mentioned above, security risks may be decreased by reducing the functionality of a system, making it less attractive to customers. According to stated user preferences, the system of their choice should be simple, convenient and elegant. This can be achieved by pre-loading special applications onto mobile phones.

The importance of certain parameters such as functionality and security is perceived differently in different regions. For example, the m-Pesa system, despite its relatively low levels of functionality and security, has gained huge popularity in several African and Asian countries. However, it is difficult to imagine that such a system could become popular in Europe or North America, where user security and protection requirements are considerably higher. The success of the m-Pesa system in these other parts of the world is due to its accessibility, low cost, the poor development of the local banking sector, and the high local demand for financial services traditionally provided by banks. Initiatives utilising mobile technologies to facilitate payments have successfully brought financial services to the doorstep of billions of unbanked poor people. One may conclude that the most attractive factor for developing countries with their under-banked populations is service availability, including the relatively low cost of service use, while in developed countries security and service functionality are considered the most important criteria. This brings into sharp focus the fact that developed and developing countries currently have different requirements for m-Commerce systems. Nevertheless, the future undoubtedly belongs to multifunctional and secure systems that become available at affordable cost.

#### 4.8 SECURITY OF M-PAYMENT SYSTEMS

Prior to the era of smartphones, the management of mobile applications by operators on mobile phones was relatively easy. Basically, operators simply had to control the application that could be downloaded onto the device and its

security characteristics. Management of mobile applications became more complex with the advent of smart phones and the ability to freely download third party applications. Nowadays, it is almost impossible to be completely certain that every application executing on a mobile device originates from a trusted source.

As a result, mobile users are subject to additional threats such as identity theft, phishing, and loss of personal data. Against this backdrop, it is evident that security is one of the most important requirements for payment systems, as well as for e-government and e-health systems, including their mobile variations. Security may be provided by meeting the Recommendations of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector embodied in its manual entitled "Security in telecommunications and information technologies". These Recommendations are standards that define how telecommunication networks operate and interwork. Despite being non-binding, they are generally complied with due to their high quality and because they guarantee the interconnectivity and consistency of networks and systems in and between different countries and enable telecommunication services to be provided on a worldwide scale. While some Recommendations relate to telecommunication networks in general, others refer specifically to mobile networks or to mobile payment systems.

Since mobile commerce systems involve many players, security considerations can be divided into multiple categories that include:

- End-point Security
- Mobile Application Security
- Mobile Network Security
- Identification of the requesting party that includes proper identification of the individual that is requesting the financial transaction

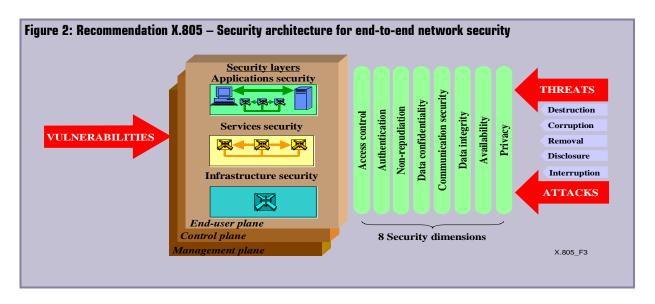
The term "security" is used in the sense of minimising vulnerabilities of assets and resources. An asset is anything of value. Vulnerability is any weakness that could be exploited to violate a system or information it contains. A threat is a potential violation of security. The ITU-T Recommendation X.805 "Security Architecture for Systems Providing End-to-End Communications" (Figure 2) defines a set of eight so-called "Security dimensions" designed to protect against all major security threats, described in the ITU-T Recommendation X.800 "Security architecture for Open Systems Interconnection for CCITT applications".

These security threats involve:

- Destruction of information and/or other resources
- Corruption or modification of information
- Theft, removal or loss of information and/or other resources
- Information disclosure
- Service interruption

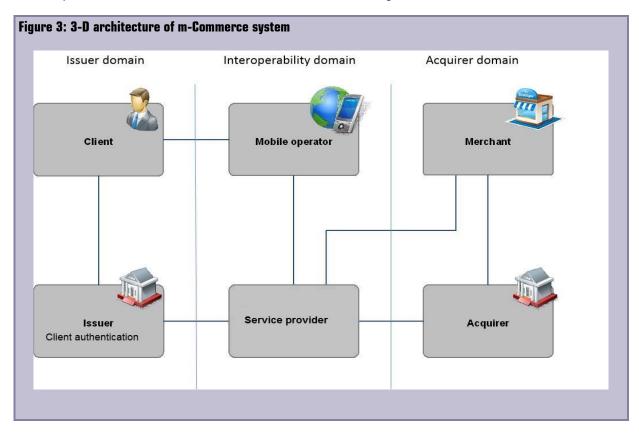
Security dimensions are not limited to the network, but extend to applications and end user information as well. In addition, security dimensions apply to service providers or enterprises offering security services to their customers. These security dimensions involve:

- Access control
- Authentication
- Non-repudiation
- Data confidentiality
- Communication security
- Data integrity
- Availability
- Privacy

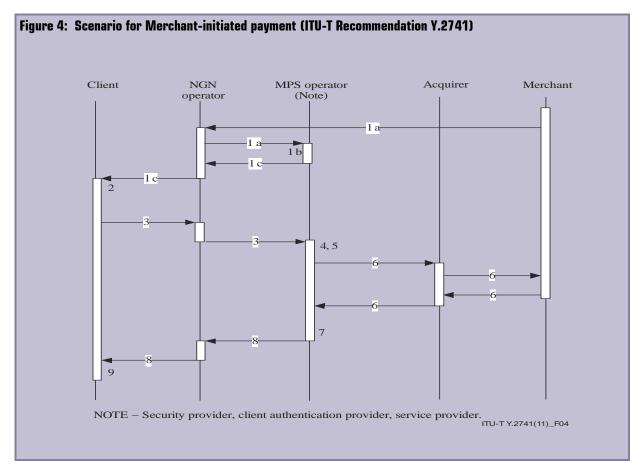


The ITU-T Recommendation X.1122 applies when using asymmetric cryptography, and provides guidelines for creation of secure mobile systems based on Public Key Infrastructure (PKI). This standard describes the generation of public and private keys, certificate applications, as well as issuance, activation, use, revocation and certificate renewal.

The ITU-T Recommendations Y.2740 and Y.2741 describe the security requirements and architecture of secured mobile financial transactions. These Recommendations, though made for mobile remote financial transactions in NGN, are fully applicable to ensure security for m-Payment systems in 2G, 3G and 4G mobile networks. The Recommendation Y.2741 "Architecture of secure mobile financial transactions in next generation networks" describes the system architecture and possible interaction scenarios. This 3-domain architecture of the m-Commerce system, compliant with the "3-D Secure" protocol with multi-factor authentication, is illustrated below (Figure 3).



In this architecture, authorisation of the financial transaction is carried out by the Issuer as a result of final authentication made by the Issuer's authentication system. Preliminary authentication, as well as the provision of security for the transmission and storage of sensitive data should be performed by the Service provider. In some cases roles can be combined. For example: Issuer and Service provider (bank-owned system) or Issuer and Acquirer (P2P money transfer within one bank), or even all roles, except Client (mobile operator top-up system). Scenario for Merchant-initiated payment is shown in Figure 4.

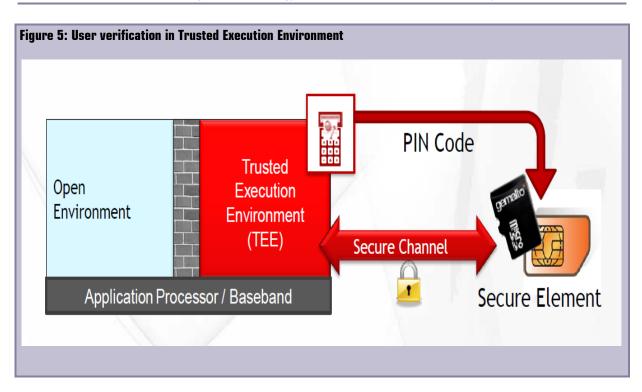


Recommendation Y.2740 "Security requirements for mobile financial transactions in Next Generation Networks" defines four security levels of mobile financial transaction systems (see Table 4). The fourth (highest) security level must have the strongest implementation of security dimensions.

Security Level 4 requires a Trusted Execution Environment (TEE), a secure area that resides in the application processor of an electronic device (see Figure 5). To help visualise a TEE think of a bank vault; a strong door protects the vault itself (hardware isolation) and within the vault, safety deposit boxes with individual locks and keys (software and cryptographic isolation) provide further protection.

Separated by hardware from the main operating system, a TEE ensures the secure storage and processing of sensitive data and trusted applications. It protects the integrity and confidentiality of key resources, such as the user interface and service provider assets. A TEE manages and executes trusted applications built in by device makers as well as trusted applications installed as people demand them. Trusted applications running in a TEE have access to the full power of a device's main processor and memory, while hardware isolation protects these from user installed apps running in a main operating system. Software and cryptographic isolation inside the TEE protect the trusted applications contained within from each other.

Device and chip makers use TEEs to build platforms that have trust built in from the start, while service and content providers rely on integral trust to start launching innovative services and new business opportunities.



The era of mobile devices with the TEE has just started, but in the near future this technology will protect the Achilles heel of current mobile payment systems.

Security	Security Level						
Dimension	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4			
Access Control	Access to each System component shall be granted only as provided by the system personnel or end- user access level.						
Authentication	Authentication in the System is ensured by mobile network data transfer environment	Single-factor authentication for System services usage	Multi-factor authentication for System services usage	In-person connection to services where personal data with obligatory identification is used. Multi-factor authentication for System services usage. Obligatory usage of Hardware Cryptographic Module.			
Non-repudiation	The impossibility of a transaction initiator or participant to deny his or her actions upon their completion is ensured by legally stated or mutually contracted means and accepted authentication mechanisms. All system personnel and end-user actions shall be logged. Event logs shall be change-proof and hold all actions of all users.						
Data confidentiality	Data confidentiality during data transfer is ensured by the communications security environment, and by the data storage mechanism together with the means of system access control – at data storage and processing.		Data confidentiality during data transfer is ensured by additional message encryption together with data transfer protocols that ensure the security of the data being transferred	The implementation of Level 3 requires use of hardware cryptographic and data security facilities on the Client's side (Hardware Cryptographic module).			

<b>Table 4: Four Securi</b>	v levels of MPS	(ITII-T	Recommendation	V.274N)
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Security Dimension	Security Level					
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4		
Data integrity			by the interoperation participants (including data integrity verification); at data storage and processing confidentiality, integrity and privacy are			
Privacy	Privacy is ensured by the absence of sensitive data in the messages being transferred as well as by the implementation of the required mechanisms of data storage and the System access control facilities. The System components must not have latent possibilities of unauthorised data acquisition and transfer.		ensured by additional mechanisms of encryption and masking together with well-defined distribution of access in accordance with privileges and permissions.			
Communication	The delivery of a message to the addressee is ensured as well as the security against unauthorised disclosure at time of transfer over the communications channels. It is ensured by the NGN communications providers.					
Availability	It ensures that there is no denial of authorised access to the System data and services. Availability is assured by the NGN communications providers as well as the service providers					

Requirements for some security dimensions are unified for all security levels. Parties using MPS should be aware of the System security level and risks inherent in the System. The acceptable security risk level of any System component is determined by the party taking the risk. The degree of risk is the function of the security level and the amount of potential losses in the event of a security violation. The parties concerned can additionally mitigate the risks of using MPS though operational measures such as limiting the frequency or monetary value of individual transactions, and restricting use of the service to their most loyal clients. As an example, mobile operators offer top-up services that are risk-free because they only allow users to top up their own accounts by limited amounts using SMS.

In addition to ITU standards on security, the Working Group recommend study of the European Central Bank's "Recommendations for the Security of Mobile Payments" (which is currently a draft document issued for public consultation).

The European Payments Council stated in a 2012 White Paper on mobile payments that the mobile terminal should represent a "digital wallet" with authentication and digital signature components to replace multiple passwords, IDs and loyalty cards of merchants (Figure 6).



With the rapid adoption and growth in mobile technologies, mobile payment services are being taken up throughout the world, albeit in different ways in the developed and developing regions. The only way to ensure that mobile payment processing is uniform is to develop and adopt global standards.

#### 4.9 M-COMMERCE INITIATIVES IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES

#### India

In India, telcos are allowed to provide only closed and semi-closed wallets to their customers - i.e. a telco customer who subscribes to an m-wallet service has access to only a limited range of payment options. Bank-led m-banking initiatives have however been encouraged by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) through Business Correspondents (BC), who are agents of the bank facilitating the unbanked population in remote areas in opening bank accounts. Though cash deposits and withdrawals have to be performed with the BC personally, other types of transactions such as transfers and payments can be carried out by the account holder using a mobile phone. As m-banking transactions involve multiple banking and telecom interfaces, a framework involving aggregation platform providers has been established to ease the transaction process and enhance the efficiency of the m-banking system. The RBI has also appointed a Technical Committee on Mobile Banking to examine various options for providing m-banking services, including the feasibility of using encrypted SMS-based funds transfer.

The objectives of the m-banking project in India are:

- Low-cost/cost-free access to financial services (anytime access and low transaction costs)
- Quick and easy operability (transaction in most basic of sense, minimum paper work)
- Security and safety of public money (trust and reliability)
- Less obtrusive operational requirements (minimum balance requirement, daily transaction limit, minimum activity requirement etc.)
- Possibility of making frequent deposits and remittances

In India, Unstructured Supplementary Services Data (USSD) has been identified as an appropriate communication channel for m-banking services for financial inclusion, as it is available in almost all handsets and requires no additional application or accessories, which makes it attractive for use by someone with a basic mobile phone model. Hence, it is convenient, easily available, accessible and inexpensive.

The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has taken steps to regulate tariffs for use of communication channels of telcos for m-banking transactions as well as the quality of services. TRAI has prescribed an affordable ceiling tariff of Rs 1.501 per outgoing session for the customer for the use of USSD communication channels and has established a framework to facilitate banks and platform service providers to interface with telcos for use of not only USSD, but also SMS and IVR (Interactive Voice Response) channels to provide m-banking services.

Following is a hierarchy of the various banking and financial services that can be used on a mobile phone:

#### Rudimentary banking services – deposit, information and transfer facilities

- Advanced banking services payments between accounts to settle bills including for utilities, payments for credit cards, merchant payment settlements.
- Payments for day-to-day transactions e.g. payments at grocery stores, MPoS solutions
- Large transactions that are presently carried out on the Internet.

#### Russia

Various mobile payment systems have become popular in the Russian Federation. Some payment systems have minimum functionality limited to topping up the balance of a previously registered mobile phone and neither require nor provide security. Other mobile payment systems such as "Easy payment" and "MasterCard Mobile" have wide functionality and meet high security level requirements in line with ITU standards. Importantly, a high level of security does not entail any additional inconvenience for users. The transport environment integrates the full range of modern mobile communication standards. SMS and USSD have become quite widespread due to the growing number of smartphones in circulation and the development of standards for mobile telecommunication systems, and increased use of GPRS, UMTS and LTE.

Interestingly, equally present on the market are applications with "sensitive information" stored on tamper-resistance devices, and applications with data stored in the phone's memory. Despite being potentially less secure, the latter have become more popular with customers since they benefit from not having to change their SIM/UICC card. Yet, these applications carry the potential risk of enabling intruders to read confidential data from the phone's memory.

According to statistics, fraud usually takes place not when applications on stolen phones are hacked, but because intruders or virus programmes penetrate clients' phones. This is the least protected system area, one that calls for a further increase in the security of mobile applications, especially in cases of very high risks of being hacked, for example to steal an official digital signature recognised by State entities.

Conversely, risks associated with payment systems can be limited by restrictions on the maximum amount allowed per financial transaction and the maximum number of such transactions allowed over a given period of time. Hence, the most important task in securing usage of devices working in open networks is to train clients how to use them and install anti-virus programmes. At the same time, the service provider should take all available measures to protect confidential information, as defined by the ISO 27001 information security standard and other similar standards.

In particular, there is a need to minimise the number of employees operating the system who have access to "sensitive data"; to assign different access levels to the system; and to provide mandatory authentication and login registration.

# 5. WORKING GROUP ON BUSINESS MODELS

### 5.1 SUMMARY

Widespread use of mobile devices, increased access to wireless networks in most countries, and more mobile technology-based lifestyles are the drivers that are changing the world. This change is evident in sectors where services provided receive significant support through mobile devices, including education, management, health and entertainment.

The fastest-growing areas of mobile technology applications are health, education, government, commerce and entertainment. The potential of those markets is developing continuously.

The Business Model approach allows and exhaustive view of the environment of any project or initiative in the various sectors. It includes key actors and stakeholders, resources, specific issues and key success factors.

Cooperation among all stakeholders for example and motivation of all of them will be key to success and needs to take in some domains such as m-education and m-health the form of strategic partnerships between different players to ensure quality and sustainability.

Solutions will need to be scalable and sustainable, addressing multiple applications across global markets. Operators will need to understand and manage the regulatory frameworks and risks inherent in providing these services. In order to generate more revenue, operators will need to move beyond connectivity to providing value-added services which might range from traditional telecom services of security and data management.

The work of Business Models Group is summarised in the present chapter, covering mainly Value Chain chart and Business Model Canvas for each of selected sector, while additional data and information are either reported in Annex or considered by the Working Group of associated sector

More details are however included in this chapter for **m-Governance** and **m-Sport** as they haven't been addressed so far by a specific working group .

## 5.2 M-COMMERCE

Mobile commerce refers to trusted transactions using a wireless device and data connection that result in the transfer of value in exchange for information, services, or goods.

Mobile commerce, facilitated generally by mobile phones, includes services such as banking, payment, and ticketing.

Availability and effectiveness of m-payment solutions is key success factor of m-commerce.

It is to note that the marketplace will include multiple solutions for a considerable period of time.

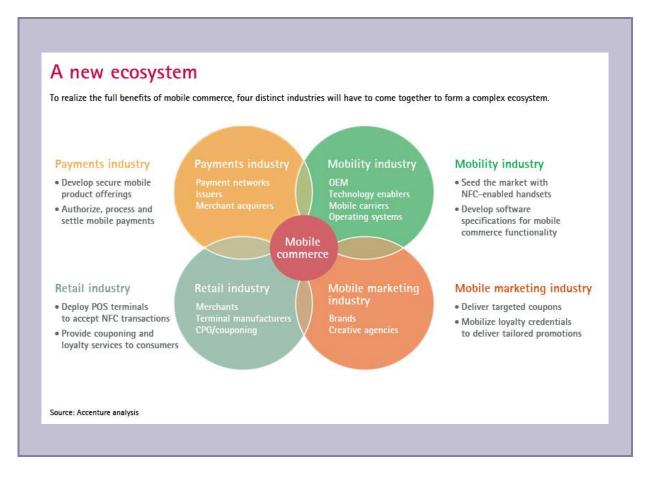
However, it appears likely that mobile NFC handsets will grow to be a dominant mobile payment solution.

The ability to leverage existing payment system assets securely, in combination with enhanced mobile solutions for loyalty and offer management, will drive significant growth in NFC handset-based mobile payments.

A huge variety of companies are jostling for position in this space: Internet giants including Amazon, Apple and Google; cellular operators; financial institutions such as banks, credit card companies and PayPal; and other new entrants.

- Big players are present on the four segments.
- Application stores are determined by OS type
- Mobile wallet segment is dominated by Internet giants
- Mobile operators lead the SMS and the NFC segments

### 5.2.1 M-COMMERCE ECOSYSTEM



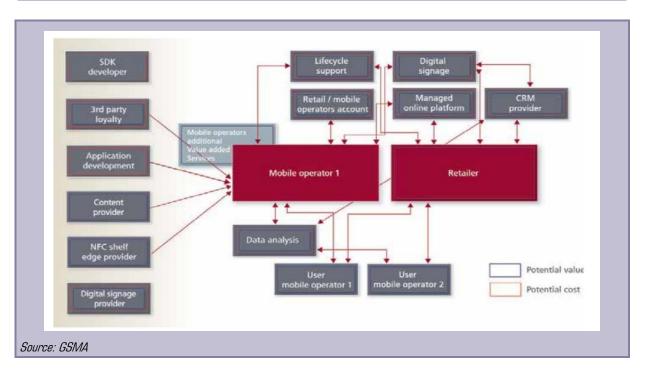
## 5.2.2 M-COMMERCE VALUE CHAIN

#### A single operator managed service offering

Mobile operators could provide retailers with an end-to-end mobile commerce proposition, encompassing NFC and non NFC elements. They could deliver this either individually or by collaborating with other mobile operators.

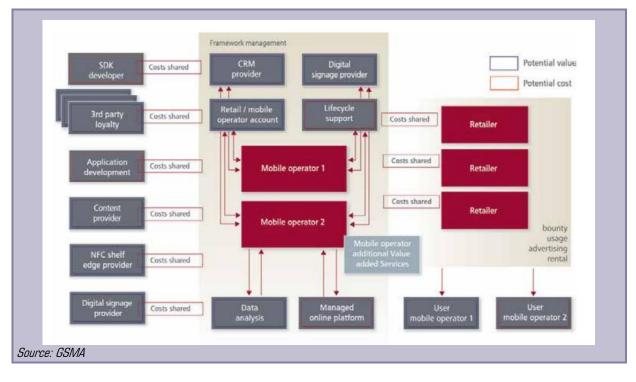
#### First option: a single operator managed service offering

- Requires the development of a complex value chain involving significant costs
- In this case, the mobile operator will have to work directly with a large number of third parties, such as application developers, loyalty programmes and digital signage providers, as well as retailers.

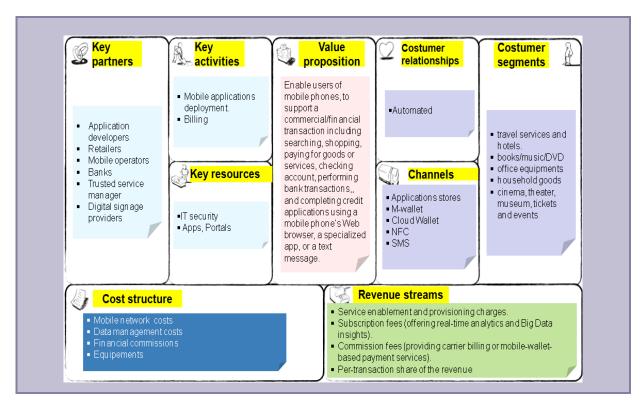


#### Second option: a joint operator managed service offering

- Could use framework architecture to generate economies of scale, and reduce costs and complexity.
- The use of common framework architecture across operators would remove the need for a direct relationship between each specialist supplier and individual operators.
- An application developer, for example, would then be able to create an application that is compatible with the framework, knowing it will work across multiple mobile networks. This means that individual mobile operators will share many of the costs with other operators and their suppliers will gain economies of scale.



## 5.2.3 M-COMMERCE BUSINESS MODEL

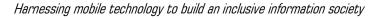


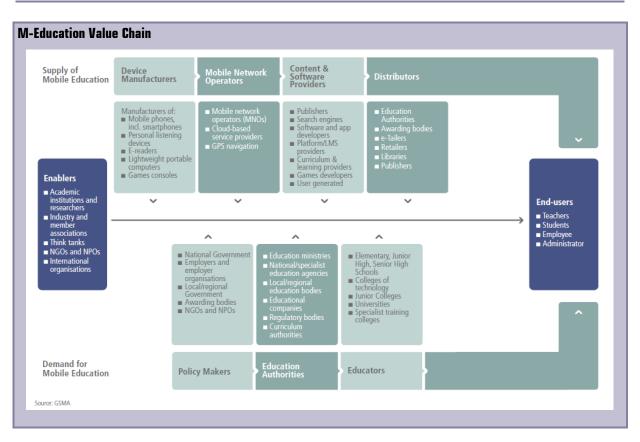
#### 5.3 M-EDUCATION

### 5.3.1 M-EDUCATION VALUE CHAIN

Identifying the key players involved, as shown in the figure below, is one way of illustrating the core elements of the mobile education value chain:

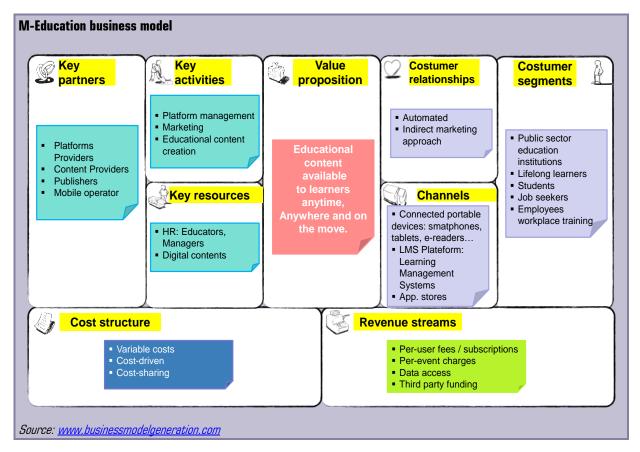
- Enablers: Initiate and drive change, facilitate collaboration and test and solve problems. Often develop pilots and projects bringing together suppliers, users and research organizations.
- Device manufacturers: Manufacture and distribute mobile devices for general use. May target education settings or devices may be adapted for education.
- Connectivity providers (mobile operators): Enable devices to be connected to learning materials, other students and teachers, and the Internet.
- **Content providers:** Provide digital content to devices related to learning outcomes.
- Distributors (service providers): Distribute content and services to end users. May also sell mobile devices.
- Policy makers: Influence and shape policy at a micro level. Set policy objectives, influencing curriculum, assessment and teaching standards. Main source of funding for m-education.
- Education authority: Exert a certain level of control or influence over education providers. Likely to distribute some level of funding.
- Educators: Deliver education and learning, mostly in institutional settings.
- End-users: Students and teachers using mobile education and other informal users.





## 5.3.2 M-EDUCATION BUSINESS MODEL

Below is an illustration of the business model canvas for m-Education:

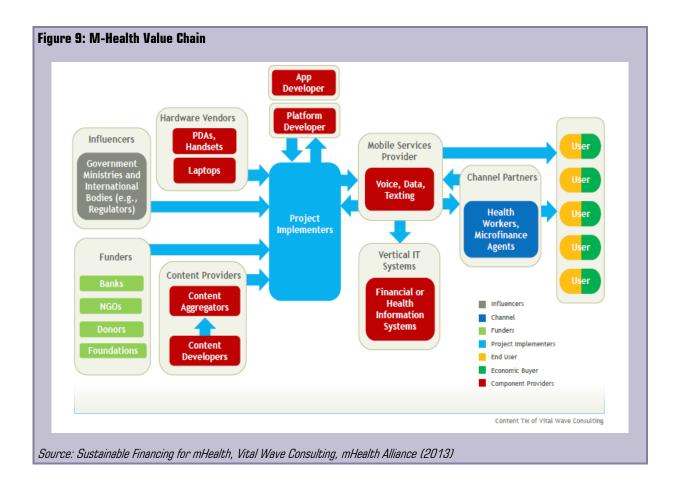


#### 5.4 M-HEALTH

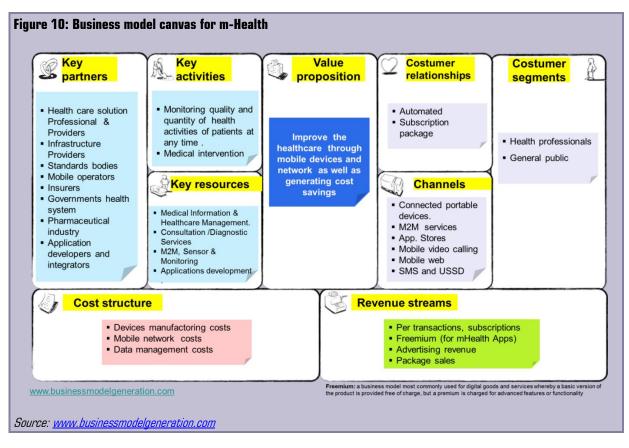
### 5.4.1 M-HEALTH VALUE CHAIN

Mobile healthcare services and applications demonstrate a clear benefit to all players in the value chain, ranging from MNOs and device manufacturers to patients. The m-Health value chain is formed by several players:

- **Software vendors:** Develop applications and platforms to serve healthcare to patients and health workers.
- **Hardware vendors:** Manufacture and distribute mobile devices for patients and health workers (e.g.: smartphone, tablet, and healthcare devices such as the wireless Telcare blood glucose meter).
- **Connectivity providers (mobile operators):** Provide access to data through the mobile network and connected m-Health devices.
- Content providers: Provide healthcare-related content.
- Funders (donors or investors): Provide the necessary financial resources.



### 5.4.2 M-HEALTH BUSINESS MODEL



### 5.5 M-GOVERNANCE

Mobile Governance can be defined as the utilisation of all kinds of wireless and mobile technology, services, applications and devices for improving benefits to citizens, businesses and all government units

### 5.5.1 USES

The main uses may be classified in 4 categories of services:

- Alert Service (information services, birth and death registration, emergency alerts)
- Interactive Service (learning services, graduation results, interaction between agencies, between governments and employees, between governments and businesses)
- Management Service (call centre, data update, daily grievance statistics)
- Utility services (SMS-based transaction)

### 5.5.2 KEY BENEFITS

The main beneficiaries of m-Governance are citizens, government units/organisations, and businesses (G2C, G2G and G2B). The main benefits are:

- Reduction of service processing time
- Reduction of operating costs and less paper work
- Early detection of problems and crisis
- Enlarged accessibility (fast and easy access)
- Transparency: citizen becomes more loyal to the government

- Increased participation of citizen. (empowerment)
- Satisfaction of citizen and private users: reduction of human error due to the automated process, elimination of queues, etc.)

## 5.5.3 OBJECTIVES

The main objectives of m-Governance are:

- Extend services where wire line Internet access is limited
- Reach the masses through the use of simplest technology
- Provide point to point delivery of government services in a personalised manner
- Improve operational efficiency
- Provide cost-effective services
- Facilitate business interaction
- Improve the lives of citizens

### 5.5.4 CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS

- Policy on e-Governance and m-Governance
- Right data and clear needs for content developers
- Technology platform (SMS, MMS, WAP, SMS Voice, Apps, M2M, Video)
- Existence of effective partnerships
- Effective and real demand for m-Governance, users adoption
- Transaction cost
- Communication and change management

## 5.5.5 M-GOVERNANCE SERVICES

M-Governance services mainly cover daily citizens' needs. Information provided may concern any of the following aspects of the daily needs of citizens, businesses and government units:

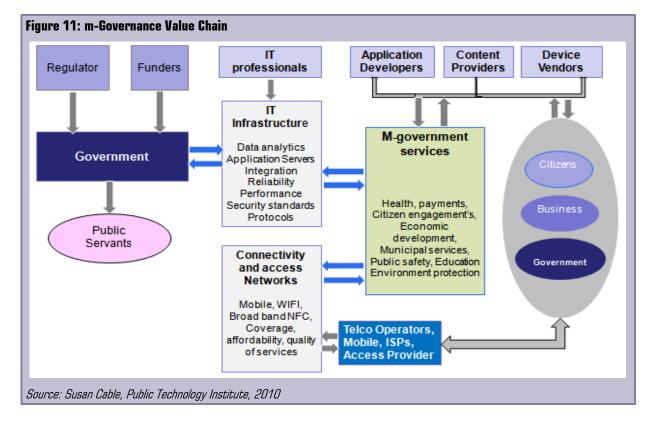
- Health information: SMS appointments/preventive actions/alerts, etc.
- SMS birth and death registration
- SMS for utility services (electricity, telecom bill payments, repairs, etc.)
- Travel information (public transport) using SMS/apps
- Check information regarding bank accounts, transactions, property, investments, etc.
- Access to weather forecast information
- E-Appointment advisory via SMS sent one day before appointment
- Neighbourhood crime alert via SMS
- Traffic information and payment of traffic fines
- Information on current in-country trans-border wait times
- Key economic statistical SMS service providing national economy estimates, consumer price index, wholesale trade index, etc.
- Electronic voting, political decisions
- Economic indicators, exchange rates, currency converter
- Key Government service phone numbers
- Member of Parliament contact information
- SMS graduation results

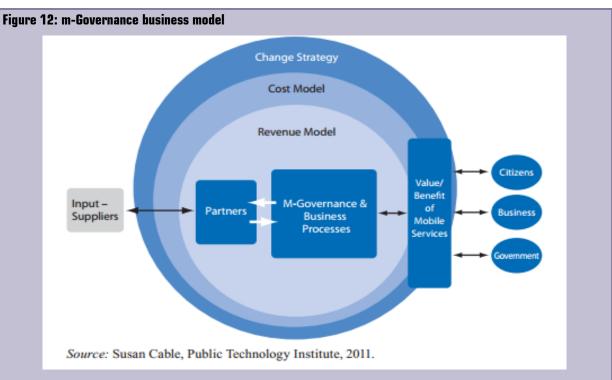
- Prayer timing apps
- Trade license status/ fees
- SMS alerts for passport renewal, road tax renewal, traffic offences
- Safety information

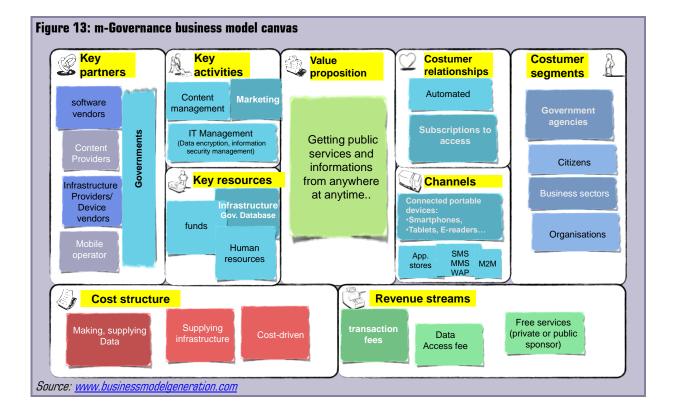
## 5.5.6 M-GOVERNANCE VALUE CHAIN

#### Main stakeholders

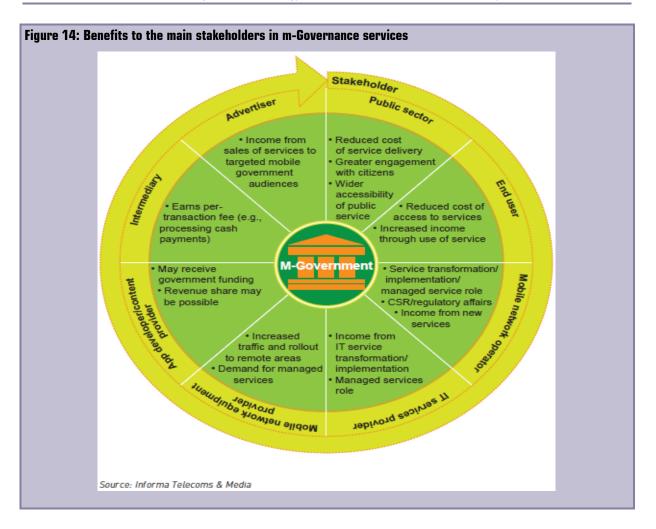
- **Telecom operators**: Provide services that are responsive to the demand of m-Governance users.
- Government: Develops policies and standards, coordinates between partners. Governments can also stimulate demand and create the local market.
- Device manufacturers: Manufacturers build mobile devices that can conduct voice or data transactions between proprietary networks and ensure updated operating systems.
- **Content Providers**: Provide digital content to devices related to learning outcomes.
- Infrastructure providers: Manufacture and assemble switches, gateways, base station controllers, mobile switching centres, packet control unit, GPRS support node, gGateways, WAP servers, PSTN interface and other circuit switches.
- Application developers: Create mobile applications to support m-Governance services, and support personalisation and synchronicity.
- Content developers and enablers: Compile content in mobile-ready formats so applications can immediately
  extract desired information, and package it according to users' requests.
- End users: Citizens, businesses and government units.







 As illustrated in the figure below, an effective partnership (Public/Private Sectors) is the key to success in any m-Government project. All stakeholders' benefits depend on synergies created and engagements of each player.



#### 5.6 M-SPORT

Mobile sport includes services and applications for mobile phones that enable sports fans to keep track of their favorite sport, player or sports event at anytime, anywhere. It can be real-time information such as scores, rankings, news, statistics and more, or other functionalities including the integration of pictures, video of goals and other key events.

## 5.6.1 MARKET OVERVIEW

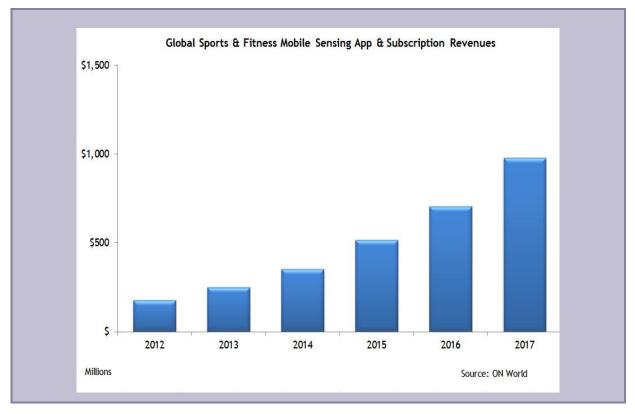
Sports fans are using smartphones and tablets in growing numbers to access online sports content, according to a new report from Burst Media. Among all sports fans, 45.7 percent use smartphones and 31.6 percent use tablets to access online sports content and video at least occasionally, while 23.8 percent use smartphones and 17.1 percent use tablets to watch sports events live. These results point to the emergence of tablets and smartphones as sports content consumption platforms.

Viewers are no longer in a passive mode of consumption with eyes riveted on the TV; they act and react in parallel on their smartphones or tablet computers.

A 2013 ON World report covers the growing market opportunities for mobile sensing solutions in sports and fitness including wearable wireless devices, MEMS sensors and mobile applications. According to this report:

- As profit margins continue to decline for hardware devices, paid mobile apps and subscriptions will become increasingly important. Global cumulative revenues between 2012 and 2017 for mobile sensing sports and fitness apps and subscriptions will reach \$975 million.
- By 2017, there will be 500 million annual sensor shipments for mobile sensing health and fitness applications and two-thirds of these will be for activity tracking.

 By 2013, 150 million downloads of mobile sensing health and fitness apps had occurred and this number is set to increase 900% to 1.4 billion over the next five years.



### 5.6.2 ADVERTISING IN SPORT

Mobile sport may serve as a vehicle for the promotion of elements that can be a physical product, an event or a brand name. The goal is to provide the client with strategies to promote the sport or to promote something other than sport through sports.

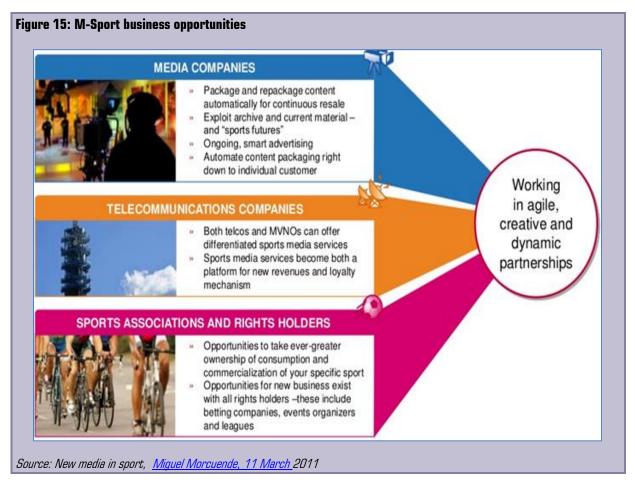
Advertising in sport can be divided into three sectors:

- Advertising of sports events and sports associations such as the Olympics Games, the European Football League and other types of sports competition (e.g. athletics meetings, handball, volleyball and tennis tournaments).
- The use of sports events, sports teams and individual athletes to promote various products can but do not have to be directly related to sports.
- Sports event marketing to increase public audiences.

Mobile sports products can be classified in four groups:

- Sports events: player appearances, arenas/stadiums.
- Sports goods: equipment, apparel, sportswear, footwear.
- Sports training: fitness and health services, sports camps and instruction.
- Sports information: magazine, radio, TV, SMS, MMS, applications.

## 5.6.3 M-SPORT BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

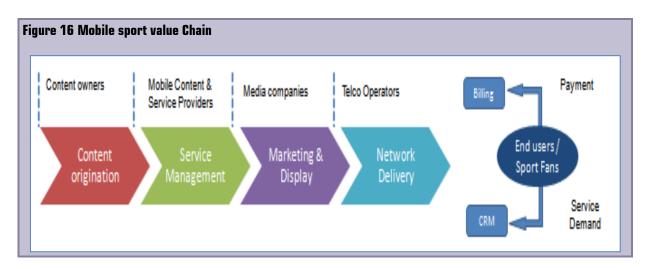


# 5.6.4 M-SPORT VALUE CHAIN

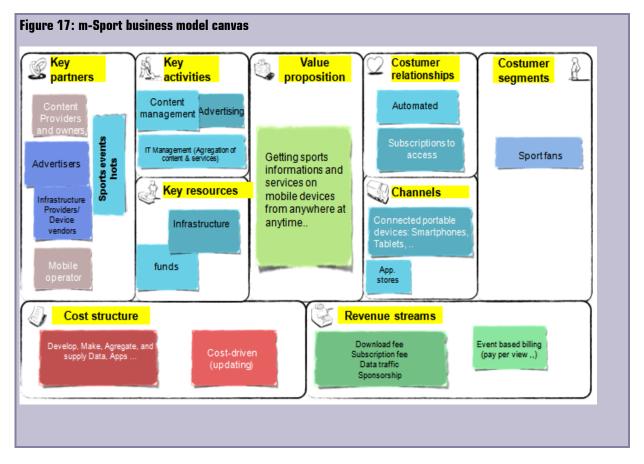
The m-Sport value chain is composed of the following players. Partnership programmes are the main source of income for m-Sport.

- Content Owners: Include holders of pre-owned content and information that can be bundled with a live event such as text, instant video replays, or advertising to be distributed to fans, increasing usage of content assets.
- **Event Hosts:** Organise and host events on behalf of teams and other third parties; they seek to differentiate their venues and the services they offer to their customers and spectators.
- Mobile Content & Service providers: Aggregation and publishing of content and services in different formats such as SMS, MMS, WAP, Apps, Video, and Catch-up.
- Media Company: Marketing and promotion of sports events, products and services.
- Mobile Network Operators: The advent of wireless broadband technologies such as Wi-Fi, 3G, WiMAX and LTE are creating new opportunities for MNOs to address the demand for content-rich applications with greater bandwidths.
- Advertisers: With mobile sports services and applications, advertisers can effectively target different segments, such as sports fans at an event, with a rich media interface. The publishing tool and distribution service can support promotions for delivery during specific activities during a sports event. These may feature, for example, the promotion of the jersey of a player who has just scored; the profile of a sports fan attending a football match; the time of day or time during an event (e.g. halftime); or location (e.g. to promote a visit to a restaurant near the venue before or after the event).

Sports Fans: Sports fans are the primary end users for m-Sport: a sports fan can be an enthusiast for a
particular athlete, team, sport, or for organised sport in general. Fans often attend sports events or watch
them on TV, and follow sports news via newspapers, Internet websites, and mobile applications.



# 5.6.5 M-SPORT BUSINESS MODEL



# 6. WORKING GROUP ON ADVOCACY

### 6.1 SCOPE

The Working Group on Advocacy was set up by ITU's m-Powering Development Initiative Advisory Board to prepare the groundwork for an advocacy campaign that seeks to ensure that mobile technologies are taken into account in the development agenda.

### 6.2 INITIAL APPROACH

The Working Group on Advocacy views its work as highly dependent on the findings of the other Working Groups set up by the Advisory Board, the outcomes of which will help identify the gap analysis that will contribute towards the formulation of advocacy priorities. In the meantime, in a desire to move forward, the Working Group is focusing on presenting to the Advisory Board advocacy proposals that aim to ensure that national governments, industry and intergovernmental organisations place issues related to mobile platforms and applications high on their respective agendas.

### 6.3 ADVOCACY OBJECTIVES

Based on the premise that advocacy approaches with clearly defined and measurable objectives can expect to have a more targeted impact than others with less specific goals, the Working Group, with input from the Advisory Board, seeks to determine the following:

- The specific desired results of the m-Powering Development Initiative advocacy campaign.
- Identification of the key influencers and actors to move the m-Powering Development Initiative forward.
- Identification of high value, easily achievable, and relatively immediate ways to reach the identified key influencers and actors.
- The advocacy role of the Advisory Board and the organisations and sectors it represents in implementing chosen advocacy programmes.

### 6.4 ADVOCACY & AWARENESS RAISING

The ITU has many opportunities for raising visibility about m-solutions for development and the policies and market conditions required to successfully elaborate and implement them. These include: the Global Symposium for Regulators/Global ICT Leadership Forum, ITU Telecom, the World Radiocommunication Conference 2015, and regional and global symposia, to name just a few.

The following proposals for consideration by the Advisory Board can stand alone, but are not mutually exclusive. Indeed, there are many points for intersection where they can build upon each other. Each campaign, or portion thereof, would develop messaging aimed at key target audiences, full use of media channels, and draw on other platforms and opportunities to reach target audiences and build traction for defined results.

- Campaign to demonstrate m-powering for a better world generically and in streams, focusing on successful programmes and demonstrating societal value in the areas of health, education, employment, economic development, commerce, business and sport, taking advantage of existing business and government platforms such as the Global Mobile World Congress, ITU Telecom, the World Economic Forum, and regional fora.
- Energize young innovators and future leaders through regional competitions, plus a global competition among regional winners, bringing together a Blue Ribbon panel of government, business and high visibility personalities to judge and recognise awardees at the UN General Assembly
- Build traction and visibility within the UN, starting at the UN General Assembly, that would lead over time to:
   1) UN establishment of a Mobile-Power for Development Day, and 2) integration of mobile solutions as an option in all UN development programmes.

Components could include:

- Establishment of an annual workshop on the impact of m-power adjacent to the UN General Assembly, perhaps attached to the Broadband Commission.
- Convening by the UN and/or ITU, in partnership with industry groups and humanitarian organisations, a world conference of experts in health, education, business, sports, finance, along with ministers responsible for those sectors, to discuss and agree to means for improving public economic and social well-being employing mobile platforms and applications.
- Creating a UN mobility-for-ICT investment or grant fund whereby young entrepreneurs and other young innovators could develop their ideas and demonstrate their scalable m-solutions in subsequent UN, ITU and/or industry fora.

### 6.5 NEXT STEPS

The advocacy approach that the Advisory Board choses to propose to the ITU will, of course, require further analysis and expansion about feasibility, cost, identification of implementation actor (s), and the further role of Advisory Board members.

The Advocacy Working Group invites the ITU and the Advisory Board to assist it in further fleshing out the details of an advocacy campaign with the expectation of being ready for concrete action following decisions taken at the next Advisory Board meeting.

# 7. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Following are the main findings and recommendations of the Working Groups established by the Advisory Board (AB) of the M-Powering Development Initiative to identify ways to move forward towards the fulfilment of the Initiative's objectives taking into consideration the outcomes the latest Working Group deliberations.

## 7.1 M-HEALTH

- Stimulate and facilitate collaboration between Health, Telecoms and Finance Ministries both globally and nationally in order to:
  - Build a common understanding and agreement on the role and socio-economic value of mobile technologies and services in addressing current healthcare challenges in the developing world.
  - Promote regulatory and policy frameworks enabling the development and implementation of safe, effective, trusted and accessible m-Health solutions key focus areas: medical device regulation, data protection and privacy regulation (and funding and reimbursement policies and schemes see below).
  - Promote interoperability and standards that enable scalability and a plug-and-play experience.
- Promote the development of policies, and where appropriate regulation, stimulating innovative business models allowing for funding and reimbursement of m-Health services, by means of identifying and facilitating sharing of good practices/case studies.
- Support initiatives/projects aiming to develop and roll-out m-Health education and training programmes/campaigns for healthcare professionals and patients

## 7.2 M-LEARNING

The Working Group recommends that in the field of m-Learning and m-Education, the following areas of activity, listed in order of priority, warrant particular consideration by the ITU:

- Support and advocacy for the fundamental importance of appropriate monitoring and evaluation of m-Learning and m-Education initiatives.
  - There is as yet insufficient clear evidence of the benefits of m-Learning and m-Education for learning outcomes. The m-Powering Development initiative should work together with existing major global m-Learning programmes and organisations to help develop a clear framework for effective monitoring and evaluation, that would enable the educational community to assess how and why m-Learning delivers different, possibly better, learning outcomes from those achieved by other methods. The most important priority should be for the ITU to use its good services to advocate resolutely for evidence upon which future funding decisions can be made. This approach would be strongly supported by many members of the Working Group, including bilateral donors such as USAID and DFID, who would be willing to work collaboratively in this endeavour.
- Enhanced understanding by governments of the essential need for all mobile initiatives to be approached in a holistic manner, involving all relevant ministries and partners.
  - In the case of m-Learning, this would involve at least the telecommunications, education, finance, infrastructure and commerce ministries, but the Working Group on m-Learning considers that this should be a major output of the m-Powering Development Initiative as a whole. Specific activities involved in this deliverable could include short guidance and briefing documents for governments, and the holding of a major conference on the importance of holistic approaches to mobile development initiatives, preferably jointly with other cognate bodies.
  - A central element of this recommendation is also for activities to be undertaken that would help increase awareness among governments of the potential of m-Learning. If the Internet is going to play a key role in education in the future, and the future of the Internet is mobile, then it follows that the future of education is mobile. Several members of the Working Group expressed willingness to convene and develop workshops and training resources to deliver this potential output. It is also critically important to ensure that any such

initiative is undertaken in collaboration with other major international bodies and partnerships, such as UNESCO and the m-Education Alliance.

Rather than developing its own specific initiative in this area, the ITU should work with and support its members and cognate bodies, by convening joint activities that benefit all of their members. Additionally, it would be particularly appropriate to focus attention on the least-developed countries that have the greatest needs, so as to work diligently to reduce the inequalities caused by differential access to social and physical infrastructure.

Support for an environment for sharing and showcasing good practices in m-Learning as part of a wider m-Powering Development online resource.

- Numerous initiatives exist with platforms for information-sharing on good m-Learning practices. Likewise, there are international awards for m-Learning content. However, if the ITU wishes to have a visible output from the m-Powering Development Initiative it could create, or support, a digital environment to enable users easily to access information across all of the fields in which it is engaged (e.g., health, education, rural development). This could provide real value for the Initiative's presence on the ITU site (<u>http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Initiatives/m-Powering/Pages/default.aspx</u>). The Working Group does not however recommend duplicating the work of existing initiatives by specifically creating an m-Learning or m-Education portal. Rather, it recommends using the ITU's distinctive position to draw attention to existing initiatives where interested parties can find high quality advice and resources. Several members of the Working Group offered to expedite the sharing of good practices.
- Support for the creation of an open mobile app to provide for free sharing of m-Learning content, as well as the dissemination of commercial resources.
  - Several initiatives are underway in this field, but nothing has yet been developed that would enable all kinds of mobile users, including commercial and OER developers, as well as teachers and learners, to access and upload m-Learning content in a variety of languages and contexts. Interestingly, since the first meeting of the Advisory Board, several initiatives, mainly by private sector companies, have already moved towards delivering the sort of product that was initially identified by the Working Group as being a gap. This shows that commercial interests are likely to be best positioned to deliver on this recommendation. It is important for the ITU to advocate that any such apps should be platform agnostic, and that they should pay specific attention to accessibility issues, for example being readily usable by people with disabilities. There is a definite need for such a resource, but the Working Group recommends that this is not something that the ITU itself should embark on. The ITU's role might therefore be to develop and advocate appropriate standards through which such apps could be created.

### 7.3 M-COMMERCE

- Users should have easy-to-use mobile phone interfaces with consistent user experience across all supported mobile phone implementations.
- Customers should not be bound to a specific mobile network operator or bank, and should retain their current ability to choose service providers.
- Two-factor authentication should be required for electronic dialog.
- For mobile remote financial transactions use Security Level 3 or 4, in accordance with ITU-T Recommendation Y.2740.
- Customers should be aware of the Security Level of the e-Commerce system they use, which should be stipulated in the participants' agreement; user authentication may be performed by a unified authentication centre.
- To ensure its security and to be user-friendly, the mobile device must have a special mobile application, which
  provides authentication and encryption; it is recommended to use mobile applications with several
  independent blocks and different sets of keys.
- Data transfer should be executed in a secure mode using cryptography.

- To reach the highest security level, the mobile application should be located on the hardware Security Element.
- The registration and provisioning of a mobile application needs to be executed in a secure environment; access to a mobile application would be easier for customers if they could benefit from an existing trusted relationship with a service provider(s).
- All identification and authentication centres should comply with the same allocation rules and regulations for mobile identifiers of mobile clients, registered in a central system directory to ensure message delivery to customers.
- The client may have multiple customer mobile identities bound to his/her MSISDN. Unified rules to issue mIDs, registered within the System Central Directory, should be introduced to ensure proper routing of messages to clients.
- Mobile systems should, to the extent possible, use technologies and infrastructure which have already been widely deployed.
- The service enabler should provide the technology support and integration of various access means, as well as interoperability with service providers and authentication centre.
- Foster a dynamic market with an environment that favours innovation and a diversity of stakeholders and respect for the rights and privacy of m-Commerce consumers.
- Advocate for an approach where building an interoperable standards-based eco-system for mobile commerce is central so that all players can benefit from the system created.
- Service providers should support interoperability and openness, rather than develop and use exclusive proprietary models; business models should reflect this approach.
- Retailers and manufacturers should embrace a service-based approach that will strengthen core business.
- Mobile network operators should explore ways to integrate m-Commerce with existing tools for revenue generation such as SMS, Premium SMS and MMS.
- Mobile phone manufacturers should deliver mobile devices adapted to the market and that drive the latter in new directions, with open architecture and tools allowing for development of appropriate new applications.
- M-Commerce players should tailor their strategies to the conditions of each market.
- Expand the number of integrated NFC handsets and the availability of NFC equipment.

### 7.4 M-GOVERNANCE

- Governments should be encouraged to adopt 'digital technology and solution' policies that can drive demand for m-Governance.
- M-government services should be viewed as a strategic project and planned carefully to reduce the chances of emergence of the islands of information systems dilemma.
- Introducing Mobile government technology means that the work conditions are changed and the environment is modified, therefore existing policies, practices, and regulations may need to be updated or even created: Revisiting current policies to make certain that they are still valid and appropriate for the new environment and ensuring privacy and security of government data.
- Governments must make a data base about their staff work and citizen's needs and types of devices could be used to help them do their jobs better or make their lives easier: Developing apps for multiple platforms is more expensive, but can allow people to use Governance-apps with their existing mobile devices.
- Governments should try to integrate mobile within its existing digital platform as much as possible. It should be an incremental change, not a giant and costly change as for example using existing applications and using them in other domains.

- Governments can learn from other organizations around the world that use mobile technology to take payments, help citizens find embassies and track court case schedules.
- Establishing technical infrastructure must be reviewed to identify if and how it can support a more mobile workforce. Maintaining devices and infrastructure that remain on site is different from maintaining ones that are in constant movement.
- Mobile government implementation pass through 3 steps: mobile access, mobile content, mobile services and applications: establish with partners in each of those steps is necessary, the private sector and organizations can play a crucial role.
- Governments should set-up a Mobile Governance Innovation Fund to support the development of suitable Governance-applications by developers including start-ups. The objective of this fund was to accelerate the development and deployment of the mobile applications across the entire spectrum of public services.

### 7.5 M-SPORT

- Mobile sport can be used as an ideal channel for the development of sportsmanship among fans sports: sports organizations, local and international leagues may think to influence sports fans through this channel enjoying of outstanding events.
- Mobile sports are facing issue of addressing licenses for sports video delivered to mobile devices: Protection from illegal copying, hackers, spyware, and viruses. Rights managers must works on this issue to avoid serious failures.
- Interactive sport mobile TV allows for further opportunities for operator to stimulate incremental spending
  from viewers of mobile TV, through browsing sessions initiated by a call to action on services or information (
  video clips, mobile games, ringtones ). These will represent a small but important component towards
  achieving return on investment for network operators.
- Mobile sports players must expand their partnerships involving several other areas: more than advertising for areas close to the sports and health, they must be open to others sectors away from this area. It must be treated as a service that can be very significant developing around it several others: mobile banking, mobile commerce, mobile advertising and mobile health.

### 7.6 ADVOCACY

- Campaign to demonstrate m-powering for a better world generally and in streams, focusing on successful programmes and societal value.
- Energize young innovators and future leaders through regional competitions, plus a global competition among regional winners, bringing together Blue Ribbon panel of government, business and high visibility personalities to judge and recognize awardees at the UN General Assembly.
- Build traction and visibility within the UN. Components could include:
  - Establishment of an annual workshop on the impact of m-power adjacent to the UN General Assembly, perhaps attached to the Broadband Commission.
  - Convening by the UN and/or ITU, in partnership with industry groups and humanitarian organisations, of a world conference of experts in health, education, business, sports, finance, along with ministers responsible for those sectors, to discuss and agree to means for improving public economic and social well-being employing mobile platforms and applications.
  - Creating a UN mobility-for-ICT investment or grant fund whereby young entrepreneurs could develop their ideas and demonstrate their scalable m-solutions.

## 8. CONCLUSIONS

Examining the different Working Groups reports, the following conclusions can be drawn per sector.

### 8.1 M-HEALTH

Numerous examples exist worldwide of m-Health projects supporting patients, healthcare professionals and healthcare systems, leading to improved patient-centred care and outcomes. The examples cited in this report clearly demonstrate that m-Health solutions not only enhance prevention, diagnosis, treatment and monitoring of diseases, but they also contribute to strengthening healthcare systems through improvements in emergency response, healthcare practitioner support, and healthcare surveillance and administration.

However, in order to realise the full potential of m-Health and to stimulate the scaling up of m-Health services across the globe, important barriers need to be addressed, in particular with respect to policy and regulation. As a guiding principle it is essential to put the patient at the centre of the design, development and implementation of solutions, as well as the regulatory frameworks that surround these processes.

Mobile phones are seen as an additional tool in the global quest to improve population and individual health, decrease pressure on healthcare systems and lower healthcare costs.

Several additional mechanisms have been called for to strengthen the field of m-Health and improve the scalability of solutions. First, the importance of leveraging existing evidence-based practices and scientific principles in designing m-Health strategies has been stressed as a universal 'best practice'. Second, a systems approach to m-Health intervention design has been noted by many as critical, to allow incorporation of the up- and down-stream elements which could influence the relative success of a health programme. Third, with regards to the solid foundation for m-Health innovation, recognition of the need for an enabling technical, regulatory and commercial environment has emerged.

What is also vital to the longer term success of m-Health and a prerequisite for operator investment is that services are both scalable and sustainable. Without public-private partnership development, achieving this would be incredibly difficult. It is fair to say that no single m-Health public-private partnership model fits all sizes/countries/communities. Partnerships are formed based on the motives of the private sector and governments, the size of the market, the level of mobile technology penetration, the literacy level of the population, the health needs as well as specific legal and ethical frameworks. Technologies develop very fast and in a diversified manner, which makes them short-lived and most often not interoperable. Entering into a partnership with a technology vendor and/or mobile service provider should therefore not be at the expense of another, and public sector partners should insist on operability for all technologies used by the PPP.

With regard to regulation and m-Health there is an overlap between the telecom and healthcare regulatory authorities, and a need for harmonisation of regulation between the two to enable the right environment for m-Health to thrive. Among other challenges facing m-Health is building the knowledge and evidence base of best practices which would allow replication and/or scaling up.

Patients' rights must be respected and m-Health services should meet their needs at affordable cost. It is also critical that an environment of trust and safety is created as the acceptance of m-Health interventions is essential for success, particularly in the areas of data management and medical device regulation. Patients also require training and education around their health needs/conditions and there is a need for patients to be involved in the development and implementation of m-Health solutions. Respecting the roles of healthcare professionals and engaging them in the process of m-Health implementation is also a prerequisite for success.

The engagement of healthcare leaders, managers and administrators in m-Health initiatives is also essential as they manage healthcare services along with care providers. It is also important to understand what motivates entities such as health technology manufacturing companies and professional healthcare organisations in order to facilitate their engagement in m-Health in a manner which benefits people and patients.

#### 8.2 M-LEARNING

As a basic rule, the Working Group affirmed that in the framework of the m-Powering Development Initiative it is crucial not to duplicate or detract from the success of existing ongoing initiatives in the specific field of m-Learning and m-Education.

Based on a review of available evidence the Working Group reached four main findings:

- A very considerable amount of research and practice has already been carried out in the field of m-Learning and m-Education;
- Despite the lack of high quality and rigorous monitoring and evaluation, there is widespread recognition of the
  potential of m-Learning to improve the delivery of education and skills acquisition;
- There already exist major international initiatives in the field of m-Learning and m-Education;
- The use of mobile devices in learning and teaching is still at a relatively early stage and developments in this field are evolving very quickly.

In light of the above, the Working Group stressed that whatever recommendations emerge from the m-Powering Development Initiative, it is essential that in the field of m-Learning and m-Education there is very close co-operation and collaboration with existing initiatives such as the M-Education Alliance, and the activities of UNESCO and the GSMA in this domain. It also concluded that the primary role of the ITU's m-Powering Development Initiative should be to engage with telecommunication ministries and regulators, and that its main emphasis should be to advocate and influence, rather than actually to deliver physical products.

Another priority need underlined by the Working Group is to conduct further quality assessments of the impact of mobile learning initiative outcomes, and to share the findings with all stakeholders. While acknowledging the widespread recognition of the potential of m-Learning to improve education delivery and skills acquisition, it noted that there is still far too little rigorous evaluation and monitoring of such initiatives, and stated the urgent need for quality comparative data to enable success factors to be clearly identified.

Above all else, the Working Group emphasised that the next task of the m-Powering Development initiative should be to consider focusing on the systemic issues common to all of the Working Groups, before deciding whether or not to invest further energies specifically into one or more of them. With this in mind, the Working Group noted that it is much better to deliver a few things really well, rather than be over-ambitious and fail to deliver anything satisfactorily.

Other conclusions reached by the Working Group:

- The m-Powering Development Initiative should imperatively not replicate or duplicate the ongoing work undertaken by other m-Learning initiatives, but should instead add value to them or focus on areas that are not currently addressed sufficiently.
- The m-Powering Development Initiative should focus on the core mission of the Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) "to foster international cooperation and solidarity in the delivery of technical assistance and in the creation, development and improvement of telecommunication/ICT equipment and networks in developing countries".
- Recognising that UNESCO's remit is primarily with Education Ministers and that the GSMA represents and has strong links with mobile operators, the main interlocutors engaged with under the m-Powering Development Initiative should be telecommunication ministries and regulators.
- The main emphasis of the m-Powering Development Initiative should be to advocate and influence, rather than actually to deliver physical products, such as apps; ITU does not have the capacity or the financial resources to compete with companies and groups already creating such apps, and its primarily role should be to influence and convene.
- One of the key roles that the ITU can play is in advocacy and awareness-raising of the importance of m-Learning. This can be done very cost effectively by including sessions on m-Learning in existing ITU events, such as Telecom World and ITU's various regional meetings. One exciting suggestion could be to have a stream at Telecom World 2014 dedicated to the various aspects of ITU's m-Powering Development Initiative.

Additionally, ITU could support existing well-established events, such as e-Learning Africa, via a stream on some of the aspects emanating from the m-Learning Working Group's recommendations.

#### FUNDING ISSUES

The Working Group noted that securing the necessary funding was a pre-requisite to achieving anything substantial through the m-Powering Development Initiative. It pointed out, however, that most of the Working Group proposals would incur relatively low cost, and could readily be combined with ongoing activities and plans within the ITU and cognate bodies. If the m-Powering Development Initiative is to gain traction, and deliver valuable outputs, it underlined the urgent need to enhance its web-based presence. Moreover, it posited that it would not be difficult to combine forces with relevant organisations represented on the Advisory Board to deliver an international event, or indeed a series of regional events, to promote systemic and holistic approaches to m-Powering Development.

More generally, some members of the Working Group felt that there would also be value in creating incentive funds for multi-stakeholder partnerships to form around specific m-Learning initiatives. The track record of such funds in the field of ICTs has not been particularly successful to date, as for example with initiatives such as the Digital Solidarity Fund, and it is extremely difficult to identify where the core funding for such initiatives might come from. Encouragement to bilateral and multilateral donors, as well as international banks, to develop incentive funds is nevertheless something that the ITU might consider taking forward as part of its wider agenda. Some members of the Working Group, for example, are already considering funding incentives to encourage aspects of m-Learning, as with USAID's championing of the need for greater evaluation of promising technology-supported interventions for advancing reading. There could be particular value with incentives designed to encourage local innovation, thereby helping to build internal capacity within poorer countries of the world. National governments might also be encouraged to consider the introduction of incentive funds should they have the means to do so.

Concluding the discussion on funding, members of the Working Group suggested the following:

- Though all Working Group practical recommendations (see *Recommendations* above) for further action are to an extent already being undertaken, they nevertheless remain important, and more action is needed to ensure that they succeed. The ITU can therefore play a key role in synergising support for existing initiatives, and joining forces with them to reduce duplication of effort, and help maximise the likelihood of impact.
- The number of organisations represented on the Working Group is an indication of the considerable importance that they all place on m-Learning and m-Education. Most members of the Working Group are already providing funding and resources to support m-learning initiatives and more generally they already contribute to the ongoing work of the ITU. They are therefore willing to consider supporting aspects of m-learning advocated by the ITU, especially where they coincide with their own ongoing activities.

## 8.3 M-COMMERCE

Since mobile phones have achieved full market penetration and high service level, they are the ideal payment terminals and secure communication instruments.

Mobile solutions facilitate easy access to new markets and lead to sustainable development with their potential to reach masses in the developing world. Mobile connectivity and increased use of mobile devices therefore offer tremendous opportunities for companies, businesses and governments to propose a wide range of services at practically any time and in any place.

Progress in mobile technology, the growing popularity of smartphones, and the development of cryptography all contribute to the prospect of mobile devices offering secure wireless payment, banking, and other remote transactions requiring a high level of protection. As stated in a European Payments Council White Paper published in 2012, the mobile terminal should represent a "digital wallet" providing authentication and a digital signature to replace multiple passwords, IDs and merchant loyalty cards.

Keys drivers of m-Commerce include the high penetration of and ease of use of mobile devices; the fast growing capabilities of "always-on" mobile devices; cost savings; previous experience of Internet shopping; and business opportunities.

Among the main challenges facing m-Commerce are security, without which trust in m-Commerce systems cannot take hold; determining the regulatory framework that should cover inter alia the protection of transaction data privacy; the availability or lack thereof of mobile devices amongst traders; the development of enhanced network systems; the establishment of international standards for setting interoperable platforms across countries as well as technological standards for various types of mobile transaction such as IVRS, SMS or USSD-based transactions; and affordability, particularly in the developing world. In addition, the user experience remains strongly challenged by the necessarily-small form factor. For example, the mobile phone form factor effectively limits the amount of information that can be displayed at any given time as well as the ability of the user to enter complex text.

The most realistic vision is one of a market where multiple mobile applications co-exist, combining services on a single mobile device, and the most convenient system for users has applications pre-loaded onto mobile phones, providing multi-factor user authentication, encryption and decryption of transferable data and a user menu to facilitate transactions.

Other conclusions reached by the Working Group on m-Commerce:

- As financial services and telecommunication services converge, it is becoming possible for the mobile handset to perform a new array of digital services.
- The ease of use offered to both mobile subscribers and users of financial services is driving both the financial services and telecommunication industries towards a more inter-connected world.
- Significant work remains to be done to deliver a good mix of capabilities combining financial services offered by financial institutions and the broad reach of consumers offered by mobile networks.
- Many mobile money operators will look to capitalise on the ubiquity of mobile networks where financial services lack reach, as is the case in many developing nations. The value to the mobile subscriber is financial inclusion. For the mobile operator and a range of other service delivery agents, new revenue opportunities arise and whole nations can benefit from the general uplift in commerce and the resulting poverty alleviation fallout.
- Financial institutions incur additional costs when they maintain both cash-based and card-based payment systems, while the results of traditional banks are affected when they do not extend their services to low-value customers. Mobile money operators take advantage of the ubiquity of mobile handsets and networks to deliver low-cost financial services to capture high volume, low value transactions in a cost-effective manner.
- Since all digital activities including digital financial transactions can be traced, using a mobile handset to
  pay for goods can allow both the payer and the payee to have access to transaction logs, adding more
  transparency and traceability to the activity compared to cash transactions.
- The eco-system around m-Commerce transactions needs a reliable communication carriage system and a stable payment settlement mechanism governed by regulations of the telecom and the banking sectors respectively.

# 9. ANNEXES

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## **Examples of m-Learning initiatives**

The following initiatives listed in alphabetical order provide an indication of the richness of this field (those mentioned by more than one Working Group member are in italics):

## **Specific m-Learning initiatives**

- BBC Janala mobile phones for adult literacy (Bangladesh) (4) (<u>http://www.bbcjanala.com/</u>) On TV, online, in print and accessible through even the most basic mobile phone handset, the multiplatform English language service also works through roughly 6000 English clubs across the country.
- Nokia Life Tools (although apparently now no-longer being continued, despite having 80 million subscribers) (3) (<u>http://www.nokia.com/in-en/support/faq/?action=singleTopic&topic=FA132357</u> - an <u>SMS</u> based, subscription information service designed for <u>emerging markets</u> which offers a wide range of information services covering healthcare, agriculture, education and entertainment.
- Urban Planet Mobile (3) (<u>http://www.urbanplanetmobile.com/what-we-do</u>) With products ranging from basic word and phrase lessons to TOEFL & SAT preparation, to a new online writing tool with assessment and tutorials, Urban Planet specializes in forward-thinking educational tools.
- Worldreader (<u>http://www.worldreader.org/</u>) using e-books to advance early grade reading (3).
- Yoza (3) (<u>http://yozaproject.com/</u>) originally known as M4Lit, providing m-novels in a funky youth-zone with engaging stories that include more Kontax episodes as well as stories from other genres, e.g. soccer, issues and teen romance.
- Dr Math (<u>http://mathforum.org/dr.math/</u>) (2) a question and answer service for maths students and teachers.

- Tangerine technology, RTI (<u>http://www.tangerinecentral.org/</u>) (2) electronic data collection software for use on mobile devices to enable recording of student responses.
- *Text2Teach, Philippines (<u>http://www.text2teach.org.ph/</u>) (2) aims to contribute to the quality of teaching and learning in underserved schools and communities in the Philippines.*
- Afghan Institute of Learning Mobile Literacy Programme (<u>http://www.afghaninstituteoflearning.org/vision.html</u>)
- Airtel Classroom: <u>http://www.airtel-classroom.com/AirtelPortal/Dashboard.aspx</u> Workforce entry exam focused learning online and mobile.
- All Children Reading Grand Challenge for Development (<u>http://www.allchildrenreading.org</u>) prizes and grant competition which in Round Two will focus on attracting tech innovations for advancing early grade reading (US\$23 million initiative in collaboration with USAID, DFAT, and World Vision).
- BBC Media Action Mobile Kunji (<u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/mediaaction/where\_we\_work/asia/india/india\_sdp\_empowering\_chw\_ma\_mk.html</u>) empowering community health workers in Bihar.
- Canaima Education Programme (Canaimitas, Venezuela) (http://www.canaimaeducativo.gob.ve/) the programme promotes learning among children in the country using new technology. It reaches 2.7 million Venezuelan children.
- <u>E-Taleem Nokia Pakistan (http://www.nokia.com/global/about-nokia/people-and-planet/news/news-article-24/)</u>

Nokia and UNESCO Pakistan - free basic Urdu literacy and basic math app for Nokia phones.

- Efiko (<u>http://www.efiko.com.ng/about.html</u>) a mobile self-testing platform designed for secondary school students in Nigeria. It inspires self-learning by engaging students in taking charge of their own learning and celebrating their successes.
- Electronic Early Grade Reading Assessment (EGRA) (<u>http://www.rti.org/pubs/bk-0007-1109-wetterberg.pdf</u>)

   using electronic devices to capture EGRA scores Research Triangle Institute (RTI product: tangerine) and Education Development Center (EDC) E-EGRA.
- Elimu kwa Teknolojia (Education through Technology, Tanzania) (<u>http://www.iyfnet.org/bridgeit</u>) a dynamic public-private sector alliance led by IYF and the Tanzanian Ministry of Education and Vocational Training. Through the programme, teachers downloaded video content using cellular phones, which were connected to TVs in their classrooms, allowing remote schools and communities to access a vast range of educational content.
- Eneza Education, Kenya (<u>http://enezaeducation.com/</u>) gives children access to information and parents to meaningful data and tips for helping their students.
- English in Action, DFID Bangladesh (<u>http://www.eiabd.com/eia/</u>) is using mobile phones, print-materials, television, and peer-to-peer learning to help 25 million Bangladeshis improve their English.
- The FundZa Literacy Trust (<u>http://www.fundza.co.za/</u>) FunDza aims to boost literacy among teens and young adults in South Africa by using mobile technology to connect and interact. Project K-Nect (<u>www.projectknect.org</u>) is designed to create a supplemental resource for secondary at-risk students to focus on increasing their math skills through mobile smartphones.
- Learn English with the British Council Sri Lanka (<u>http://www.ft.lk/2011/08/20/british-council-english-language-programmes-on-etisalat-mobile</u>/) - this service is delivered via SMS; customers receive English language usage tips and multiple choice questions.
- Longman Ladybird Mobile Reading a pilot reading programme for children to access with mobile phones.
- M4Lit Shuttleworth Foundation (<u>http://www.shuttleworthfoundation.org/projects/m4lit/</u>) the m4Lit (mobile phones for literacy) pilot project created a mobile novel and published it on social media platforms in order to explore ways of supporting teen leisure reading and writing around fictional texts in South Africa, using mobile media.

- Mobile and Immersive Learning for Literacy in Emerging Economies (MILLEE) (<u>http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~mattkam/lab/millee.html</u>) - distributes games in underdeveloped regions around the world on a cost-recovery basis. With mobile technology that can extend the reach of learning beyond formal school environments, the vision is to revolutionise educational services delivery throughout the developing world.
- Nokia Mobile Learning for Mathematics (South Africa) (<u>http://www.un.org/en/ecosoc/innovfair2011/</u><u>docs/nokia.pdf</u>) the project works to support mathematics education in schools using the web, social networking, and mobile applications to deliver learning material directly to students' cell phones. The project uses social networking tools to allow groups to collaborate.
- Mobile-based Literacy Programme Mobilink (Pakistan) in a partnership with UNESCO (<u>http://www.unesco.org.pk/education/mlp.html</u>) — The project used mobile 'phones to address literacy retention issues among the youth population in Pakistan.
- Mother Tongue Literacy (Motoli) (<u>http://www.et4d.com/work/</u>) MoToLi is an application to teach reading
  with a phonic pedagogy in local languages. It can be adapted to suit the needs of any country in terms of
  language and curriculum.
- Planet Read (India) (<u>http://www.planetread.org/literacy.php</u>) Same language sub-titling of Bollywood Video.
- Project Alphabetisation de Base par Cellulaire (ABC) (https://sites.tufts.edu/projectabc/) A collaborative
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- Bring your own device initiatives and trials

- Educational television (e.g., Sesame Workshop)
- iEARN (<u>http://www.iearn.org/</u>) international educational resource network (linking schools around the world in collaboration projects) although not focused exclusively on m-Learning
- Intel Classmate initiatives in Venezuela, Argentine, Portugal, Macedonia, Nigeria, Malaysia, Turkey (<u>http://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/education/evaluations/other-programs.html</u>)
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- Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com)</u>
- French Development Bank/AFD (see for example: <u>http://www.afd.fr/webdav/site/afd/shared/PORTAILS/SECTEURS/EDUCATION/pdf/TIC-table-ronde-1.pdf</u> and <u>http://www.afd.fr/webdav/site/afd/shared/PORTAILS/SECTEURS/EDUCATION/pdf/TIC-table-ronde-2.pdf</u>)
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- IGNOU (http://www.ignou.ac.in/)
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#### Notes:

- GSMA have commissioned a research report on mobile education policy. The research informed the development of a Mobile Education Policy Handbook which was launched at the GSMA Mobile World Congress in February 2014. See <u>http://www.gsma.com/connectedliving/mobile-learning-policy-handbook/</u>
- 2. There are numerous websites with relevant m-Learning information and resources, including
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  - http://www.meducationalliance.org/

- http://www.gsma.com/mobilefordevelopment/lifestories/mlearning
- http://www.gsma.com/connectedliving/resources/?project=mEducation
- 3. ITU recently commissioned John Traxler to write a new book on m-Learning

### **Good** practices

The following are among the key principles of good practice in m-Learning and m-Education cited by Working Group members:

- Focus on learning outcomes, not technology; mobile devices should be seen as just one of many such technologies available to teachers to implement pedagogy.
- Involve teachers and users at all stages from design to implementation and review; ensure that effective inservice and pre-service training, as well as on-going peer support, is available.
- Consider sustainability, maintenance and financing from the onset.
- Think holistically and systemically.
- Ensure that all relevant government departments are involved.
- Ensure equality of access to all learners, especially the marginalised with a particular focus on people with disabilities and those without access to existing education system.
- Appropriate and rigorous monitoring and evaluation must be in place; independent peer-reviewed evaluations should be disseminated widely.
- Adopt participatory approaches in technology design to ensure that it is user-centric.
- Establish effective multi-stakeholder partnerships (MSPs) that go beyond just the public and private sectors (PPPs) and involve civil society and other relevant stakeholders.
- Supporting infrastructure must be in place.
- Appropriate maintenance of technology should be in place.
- Use equipment for as long as possible each day; ensure that it remains used outside normal classroom hours.
- If the initiative is at classroom level it should be implemented within the formal education system.
- For school-level work ensure close collaboration with curriculum and examining authorities so that resources deliver on curriculum requirements.
- Ensure transparency and accountability in all practices.
- Involve parents, and encourage them also to use mobile learning for their own skills development.
- Ensure that all learners have the same quality device, especially if 'bring your own device' policies are in place,
- When online resources are used through the Internet ensure that a digital citizenship element is in place as a precaution against potential technology misuse and abuse, including online threats that endanger child online protection.
- Focus explicitly on developing resources specifically for mobiles, rather than porting content from elsewhere; focus specifically on what can be done with mobiles, rather than on what they are not good for.
- Think about developing mobile solutions that complement and extend existing products and services.
- Keep interfaces as simple as possible.
- Consider using Universal Service/Access funds for education.
- Extend utilisation of Open Educational Resources.
- Consider using educational games that seem to be effective in particular learning contexts.
- Encourage use of mobiles to support peer learning.
- Ensure appropriate change management plans are in place to enhance rapid adoption.

## Gaps and Challenges

Significant gaps and challenges in implementing m-Learning and m-Education initiatives; those in italics were mentioned by more than one member of the Working Group:

- The imperative of ensuring joined up approaches across Governments; bringing together all of the different Ministries involved, and encouraging cross-sector work. It is important that Ministries of Education work jointly with Telecommunication or ICT Ministries within the context of their national ICT and broadband strategies.
- *Open Platforms for sharing mobile-learning content* not many yet exist, but such platforms could be valuable and effective resources for users to share content and to reduce duplication of effort.
- *Effective and Rigorous Monitoring and Evaluation* since not enough is yet known about what really works the need exists for more direct evidence of success of m-Learning within the school system (K-12)
- Sharing contextualised examples of good practices this is essential in order to reduce duplication of effort and to avoid reinventing the wheel.
- Affordability in many countries, access to broadband either does not exist or is far too expensive for most people to use for learning. There is a need to work closely with other initiatives such as the work of the Broadband Commission, and the Alliance for Affordable Internet to enable widespread access at affordable cost.
- Connectivity ensuring universal access to the Internet, both spatially and socially, as well as access at
  effective speeds.
- Creation of really effective multi-stakeholder partnerships with the ability to implement.
- Lack of relevant content, especially in local languages, and differentiated according to the learning needs of students.
- Really understanding user needs, practices and experiences of educational programmes that integrate technologies.
- Standards ensuring compatibility between solutions for Android, iOS, Windows phone, etc.
- Effective teacher training policies integrating the appropriate use of ICTs (including m-Learning) should be put in place by Governments.
- Turnkey low cost complete solution (Millennium Foundation is one attempt to address this)
- Funding in general is a challenge; Ministries of Education have tight budgets; using USF or licence fees to connect schools, subsidise devices, and support m-Learning initiatives.
- Integrating m-Learning within existing e-Learning policies and practices, rather than advocating for its existence as a separate field.
- Gap in imagination need for creative thinking about what can be achieved through m-Learning.
- Ensuring future-proof implementation from technology innovation e.g. by creating 'bring-your-own-device' environments and cloud-based systems.
- Lack of awareness of m-Learning potential in multiple contexts (formal, non-formal and informal).
- Linkages between the learning and tangible outcomes, such as employment or self-employment.
- Mobile assessment.
- Sustainable business models including functioning partnerships and systems that would support delivery at scale.

# ANNEX 4 – M-COMMERCE

# **Mobey Forum Definitions Whitepaper**

Mobile Device	A mobile device is a device with mobile communication capabilities such as a telecom network connection, Wi-Fi and Bluetooth that offer a connection to the internet or other communications networks. Examples of mobile devices include mobile phones, smart phones and tablets.			
Mobile (Virtual) Network Operator (MNO/MVNO)	A mobile network operator (MNO) or carrier owns its equipment and offers mobile communication services to its customers. While an MNO often owns its network infrastructure and licensed radio spectrum, a mobile virtual network operator (MVNO) usually does not. An MVNO typically has a business relationship with a larger MNO. An MVNO pays wholesale fees for communication services and then sells the minutes at retail prices under its own brand.			
Mobile Application (Mobile App)	Native applications are those that are developed to be downloaded and run on a specific range of mobile devices, while mobile web applications use the device's browser. Native applications can interface with most relevant hardware features of the mobile device, but mobile web applications have very limited ability to do so.			
Mobile Identification Number (MIN)	The mobile identification number is the unique number that a mobile network operator uses to identify a SIM. While a subscriber's phone number can change over time with number portability, the MIN always stays the same.			
MSISDN	Commonly called MSISDN, the Mobile Station Integrated Services Digital Network is the mobile phone number allocated to a subscriber, commonly known as the phone number. It is used for routing calls to the subscriber. The MSISDN can change over time with number portability (while the MIN identifying the SIM does not change). Further information: GSMA			
SIM Card	Commonly called SIM Card, the Subscriber Identity Module Card is a smart card chip used in GSM devices to provide access to the services provided by a mobile network. Access to a SIM card is protected with a PIN and can offer SIM Toolkit services. The SIM Card has a unique fixed number, and a mobile phone number assigned to it by the network operator. Since the introduction of 3G (UMTS) services, the SIM Card is often referred to as USIM (Universal SIM) or UICC (Universal Integrated Circuit Card).			
	In the context of NFC-based services, the SIM card can act as the Secure Element (SE), although other SE options are available.			
SIM Toolkit (STK)	The SIM Toolkit is a development environment for applications on the SIM Card/UICC. Thus applications are subject to control by the Mobile Network Operator. SIM Toolkit applications can take many forms. Many such applications include text-based menus to make certain functions, such as querying the remaining prepaid balance available, simpler for the user. In Mobile Financial Services SIM Toolkit applications are often used for the menus of mobile money services that communicate with the service via SMS or USSD.			
Short Message Service (SMS)				
UICC Universal SIM (USIM)	Please see the definitions for 'SIM Card' and 'Secure Element'.			
Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD)	Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD) is generally associated with real-time or instant messaging type mobile services. It has no store or forward capability that is typical of normal short messages (SMS). This increases the level of security it offers compared to SMS based financial services. USSD does not have roaming capabilities, so it is not suitable for international money transfers. USSD is used via codes that aren't very user-friendly (e.g. *06# to show the mobile device's serial number), so USSD services are often coupled with a text-based menu in a SIM Toolkit application Further information: GSMA.			
Mobile Banking (mBanking, m- Banking)	Mobile banking in its simplest form lets a user retrieve the balance of an account, a small number of the recent transactions, and transfer funds in-between accounts that the user holds. In the widest of senses mobile banking is advanced enough to replace the entire suite of service offered through a bank's branch and internet banking services.			

Mobile Commerce	Mobile Commerce is the delivery of electronic commerce capabilities directly into the consumer's		
(mCommerce, m- Commerce)	device, anywhere, anytime via cellular and wireless networks. Source: Global Mobile Commerce Forum.		
Mobile Financial Services (MFS)	Mobile financial services is an umbrella term used to describe any financial service that is provided using a mobile device.		
Mobile Payments (mPayments, m- Payments)	Mobile Payments are payments for which the data and instruction are initiated, transmitted or confirmed via a mobile device. This can apply to online or offline purchases of services and digital or physical goods as well as P2P payments, including transfer of funds. Mobile payments are often divided into two main categories; proximity payments and remote payments. However, the two are converging as neither is tied to a specific technology.		
Mobile POS (mPOS)	A mobile point-of-sale (mPOS) refers to using a consumer mobile device (i.e. smartphones, tablets) to facilitate payments and enable acceptance of payment instruments such as credit cards, debit cards and/or cash. mPOS devices leverage both hardware and software components to allow a merchant or individual to accept payments. To support the various card reading modalities (magnetic stripe, Chip and NFC/Contactless) some form of add-on physical hardware such as a sleeve, dongle or card reader is typically required.		
Mobile Wallet (mWallet, m- Wallet)	Mobile wallet refers to the functionality on a mobile device that can interact securely with digitised valuables. It includes the ability to use a mobile device to conduct commercial transactions in the physical world. A mobile wallet may reside on a mobile device or on a remote network/secure server. Alongside the ability to undertake payments, the Mobile Wallet may contain other content, such as identity, commerce and banking services, transport and other tickets, retail vouchers and loyalty programmes. Further information: Mobey Forum, GSMA.		
Social location services	Social location services combine social network traits with real-world locations. Users can "check-in" to locations and users following them will get a notification about this. Some services assign points for different actions and show leader boards amongst friends. Businesses are encouraged to claim their venues and use these social location services to track, build and reward loyalty with their customers. Rewards take different forms and could be discounts on purchases or giving the nth product for free.		
Mobile proximity payment	Mobile proximity payments (in contrast to remote payments) are transactions that require that the payment device (contactless card, token, phone) is in close proximity to a payment terminal. For example, in NFC payments a consumer waves, taps or touches their mobile payment device to communicate with a merchant's point of sale terminal to pay for goods or services. These types of contactless transactions use short-range wireless frequencies and do not use the cellular network of a mobile network operator. Currently the most strongly emerging technology standard for proximity payments is near field communication (NFC). This technology brings the feature of contactless cards to mobile devices.		
	Other technologies like Bluetooth, QR, barcodes, infrared or voice recognition can also be used and have the advantage of not requiring an NFC enabled device.		
Near Field Communication (NFC)	NFC Forum proposed definition. NFC complements many popular consumer level wireless technologies, by utilizing the key elements in existing standards for contactless card technology (ISO/IEC 14443 A&B and JIS-X 6319-4). NFC can be compatible with existing contactless card infrastructure and enables a consumer to utilise one device across different systems. Extending the ability of the contactless card technology, NFC also enables devices to share information at a distance less than 4 centimeters with a maximum communication speed of 424kbps. Users can share business cards, make transactions, access information from smart posters or provide credentials for access control systems with a simple touch. NFC's bidirectional communication ability is ideal for establishing connections with other technologies by the simplicity of touch. For example if the user wants to connect their mobile device to their stereo to play media, they can simply touch the device to the stereo's NFC touch point and the devices will negotiate the best wireless technology to use. Further information: EMVCo, ISO, NFC Forum.		
NFC enabled device	An NFC-enabled device is a device that is capable of performing near field communication. Source: NFC Forum.		

NFC Modes	NFC technology includes three modes of operation:
	<ul> <li>Peer-to-peer mode enables two NFC devices to communicate with each other to exchange information and share files. Users of NFC-enabled devices can quickly share contact information and other files with a touch.</li> <li>Reader/writer mode enables NFC devices to read information stored on inexpensive NFC tags embedded in smart posters and displays. NFC-enabled devices can access information from embedded tags in smart posters.</li> <li>Card emulation mode enables NFC devices to act like smart cards, allowing users to perform transactions such as retail purchases and transit access with just a touch. This mode is capable of functioning when the device is powered-off, although it is the service provider's decision whether to allow this.</li> <li>Source: NFC Forum.</li> </ul>
Over-the-Air (OTA) provisioning	Over-the-air (OTA) provisioning is the ability to download and manage content on a device over a cellular or wireless network. In the context of mobile proximity payments this applies especially to the over-the- air personalization and life cycle management of a payment instrument in the secure element in a mobile device. This process is commonly executed through the mediation of a Trusted Service Manager (TSM), employing cellular and wireless networks to reach the mobile device.
Point of Interaction (POI)	Point of Interaction is the initial point where data is entered into the payment system. POI can be physical or virtual, while a POS is always physical. POI can is often used for electronic or mobile commerce.
Secure Element (SE)	A secure element is a platform or a device used to securely store application-critical data (such as secret keys). A secure element will host a number of secure element applications, also known as applets. These applications are often installed, personalised and managed over-the-air. Examples of secure element form factors in mobile devices include UICC (SIM card), embedded SE (eSE) chip cards and (micro) SD cards. Owing to space limitations on the SE of UICC, it is usual to mediate between the end-user and the SE applet through a mobile application (app). In other words, an app is needed to provide the user interface (UI) to the SE applet – although the interaction may be confined to very simple matters such as activation/deactivation. <u>Further information: EMVCo, GlobalPlatform, GSMA</u>
Trusted Execution Environment (TEE)	An execution environment that runs alongside but isolated from an REE (run-time execution environment). A TEE has security capabilities and meets certain security-related requirements: It protects TEE assets from general software attacks, defines rigid safeguards as to data and functions that a program can access, and resists a set of defined threats. There are multiple technologies that can be used to implement a TEE, and the level of security achieved varies accordingly. Further information: GlobalPlatform.
Trusted Service Manager (TSM)	A trusted service manager (TSM) is a role typical in a near field communication ecosystem, where hardware secure element is in use. The trusted service manager acts as a neutral broker that sets up business agreements and technical connections with mobile network operators, mobile device manufacturers or other entities controlling the secure element (SE) on mobile devices. The trusted service manager enables service providers (SPs) to distribute and manage contactless applications remotely by allowing controlled access to the secure element in NFC-enabled handsets. In typical deployments, the TSM role is split in two – the Secure Element Issuer TSM (SEI TSM) and the Service Provider TSM (SP TSM). The Service Provider TSM manages the service provider's application provisioning to the SE and its application lifecycles. The Secure Element Issuer TSM manages secure element lifecycles and security domains on behalf of SPs.
	The TSM is an independent business entity and many types of company are entering this competitive market. Many payment card manufacturing companies and card personalization bureaus are already providing TSM services. Mobile Network Operators (MNOs) typically need to establish one or more SEI TSMs to manage their UICC-based secure element (the MNO being the issuer of this SE type). In this case, the SEI TSM may be deployed within each MNO or may be an independent entity serving many MNOs. Note: the terminology 'Issuer' and 'Service Provider' in this context arise from outside the Financial Services industry: 'Issuer' being the Secure Element Issuer, and 'Service Provider' being known in Financial Services as the (payment instrument) issuing bank or simply issuer. Further information: EPC, EMVCo, Mobey Forum, GSMA

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Trusted Third Party	A trusted third party is a body that holds keys for authorization processes.	
Mobile Money	Mobile Money is a very general term meaning any financial action made with a mobile device.	
Mobile remote payment	A payment initiated by a mobile device where the transaction is conducted over a mobile telecommunications network (e.g. GSM, mobile internet) and which can be made independent of the payer's location (and/or his/her equipment).	
Mobile money transfer (MMT)	A Mobile Money Transfer is the exchange of funds from one party to another, using a mobile device to either initiate and/or complete the transaction.	
Mobile remittance	A mobile remittance is a mobile money transfer, mostly across international borders. It is considered a separate category of mobile remote payments due to the relatively higher payment value, possible foreign exchange requirement and regulatory complexity.	
Mobile Remote Capture (MRC)	The availability of cameras in smartphones has given rise to the ability to capture cheques, bills and other payment related documents remotely instead of having to bring them to a branch. Using a mobile application, the user takes a picture of a document that is analyzed by the MRC software to read out the payment instructions. The instructions are then submitted to the bank for processing. Alternative names for this type of feature are remote deposit capture, or mobile remote deposit.	
MPS	Mobile Payment System	

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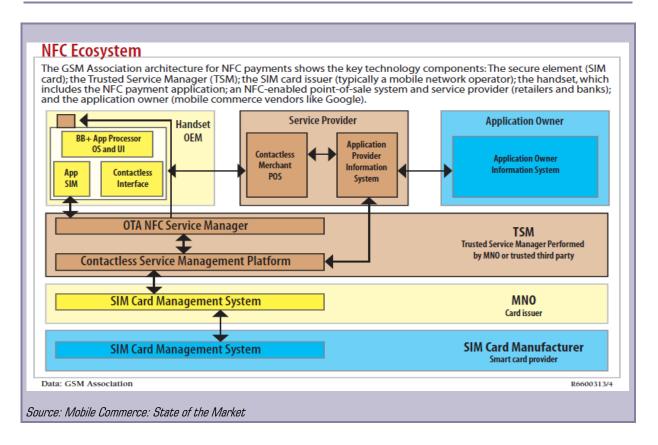
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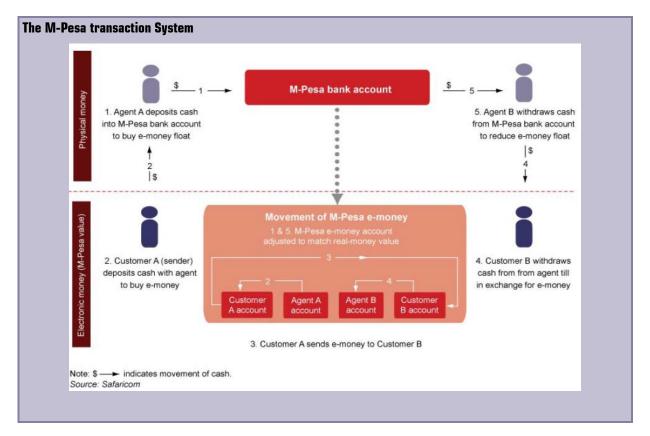
Cloud Wallet Provider	Comments The e-commerce giant already offers a "Checkout by Amazon" platform for mobile and facilitates shopping with its Kindle Fire tablet.			
Amazon				
Apple Passport	Many expected the iPhone 5 to support NFC. Instead, Apple, for the moment, is pursuing a cloud approach combined with scanning a QR for transaction completion. Just released, so acceptance not yet known.			
Groupon	The Groupon Merchants app and card reader is a recent entry to the market. The app also lets users redeem Groupon vouchers, and businesses can get real-time business reports in the online Payments Center.			
Intuit	Already well-established in personal and small-business finance.			
LevelUp	Stores scan a bar code presented on a smartphone that is based on a user's smartphone credit card.			
Mobile operators	Operators already allow purchases to postpaid billing accounts and as a group are pursuing a unified virtual store.			
PayPal	Owned by eBay. PayPal also has a system called PayPal Here that allows merchants to scan credit cards with a small reader plugged into a smartphone; this competes with Square.			
Paydiant	Offers an SDK for retailers and banks to embed mobile wallet and contactless payment functionality into their own apps.			
Square	Starbucks is major investor. Uses GPS to show a picture to a store clerk for streamlined checkout in which user has only to provide his or her name. Also offers a reader that can be plugged into a smartphone to allow merchants to easily scan credit cards.			
SRD Wireless	Technology called Cloud Wallet.			
Starbucks	Starbucks has been successful in developing a closed payment system specific to its offerings.			

# NFC Initiatives Key NFC Wallet Initiatives

NFC Wallet Initiative	Companies Involved, Comments		
C-SAM	C-SAM, MasterCard; emphasis on Asia Pacific, Middle East and Africa		
Google Wallet	Sprint, MasterCard, First Data, Citi		
lsis	AT&T, T-Mobile, Verizon, GSMA, Discover. Forthcoming Samsung Galaxy S4 will support Isis.		
Microsoft Windows Phone 8 Wallet	Microsoft; incorporated into Windows Phone 8		
Serve (Wallet)	American Express		
Trustonic (Trusted Execution Environments on ARM processors)	ARM, Gemalto, Giesecke & Devrient		
Vodafone (Wallet)	CorFire, Gemalto, Vodafone		
Visa Digital Wallet	Visa, Intel, Orange, Vodafone		

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## ANNEX 6 – ADVOCACY

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## ANNEX 7 - M-POWERING INITIATIVES EXAMPLES

## A7.1 REAL LIFE EXAMPLES FOR M-PAYMENT

#### Vodafone's M-Pesa

- M-Pesa is a mobile phone-based electronic payments system.
- It was developed by Vodafone and launched commercially by its Kenyan affiliate Safaricom in March 2007.
- M-PESA operates a system of low-value electronic accounts held by the mobile operator and accessible from their subscribers' mobile phones through a SIM card-resident application.
- The conversion of cash and electronic value is performed at a network of retail stores (often referred to as agents) which are paid for by exchanging these two forms of liquidity on behalf of customers.
- All transactions are authorised and recorded in real time using secure SMS, and are capped at \$500.
- M-PESA is useful as a retail payment platform because of its reach into large segments of the population.

By Aug. 2010:

- 12.6 million registered customers, in the relatively short span of 2½ years (57% of Safaricom's customer base, 21% of the entire population or 40% of adults).
- = 19,900 retail stores (of which nearly half are located outside urban centers).
- USD 350 million per month in P2P transfers.
- USD 8 million in monthly revenue (9% of Safaricom revenues.)



## Starbucks App: m-Commerce as a strategy beyond enhancing in-store payments

Starbucks continues to expand its role as a leading mobile payment provider as evidenced in comments made recently by a company executive who said more than 2 million mobile payment transactions occur every week.

The comments were made by Howard Schultz, president/CEO of Starbucks, during a conference call with analysts to discuss the company's fourth quarter results. Mr. Schultz also said that the burden is on companies to recognise the seismic change in consumer behaviour as a result of the emergence of mobile commerce and mobile payments as well as social and digital media.

"We believe the rapid adoption of mobile gives us an opportunity to create a unique and much deeper relationship with our customers directly and in the moment like no other consumer brand or retailer," "We have the unprecedented ability to reach new customers, create awareness to new products, drive incremental transactions and explore new revenue streams in music and digital publishing."

## **Payments squared**

Mr. Schultz also reported that <u>Starbucks</u> had more than 100 million mobile payment transactions since the Starbucks mobile app launched in January 2011. The company continues to look for ways to expand its mobile payment offering and recently partnered with Square. For example, Starbucks customers will be able to use the Square wallet app to pay for purchases with their mobile phones. Starbucks' app generates a bar code that can be scanned at checkout to authenticate a mobile payment. This strategy has been gaining steam in the marketplace this year as other mobile payment solutions, such as NFC-enabled wallets, have been slower to experience uptake. However, as more NFC-enabled phones are adopted by consumers this year and next, it is possible NFC-based mobile payments will appeal to more companies, possibly even Starbucks. "NFC tap and go will inevitably be embraced by Starbucks," Mr. Schwartz said. "NFC is ideal for high traffic, low-value transactions."

## Mdinar: BIAT's m-wallet (Tunisia)

**Mdinar** is a mobile payment and m-wallet service that was launched in Tunisia through a partnership between the BIAT Bank and Viamobile (a service provider); powered by Creova's mobile payment technology.



The Mdinar service offers P2P, top-up, and loan payment services directly from a user's mobile phone. It also offers multiple features, including the ability to view account balances, transaction history, and the possibility to save and use the list of people frequently receiving payments from the user. It also allows the user to send a request for money to another person.

People receiving money through Mdinar do not need to have a bank account. Deposits or withdrawals to credit or debit the Mdinar account can be made through the branches and ATMs of the BIAT bank network.

## Tunisiana's Mobiflouss (Tunisia)

**Mobiflouss** is a mobile banking service launched in Tunisia by Tunisiana MNO in partnership with the Tunisia mail service (La Poste Tunisienne).

The mobile service will enable users to transfer money and pay for goods and services.

The subscriber must use the prepaid e-DINAR SMART card. Once users register with Mobiflouss, they can perform various financial functions via their phones.

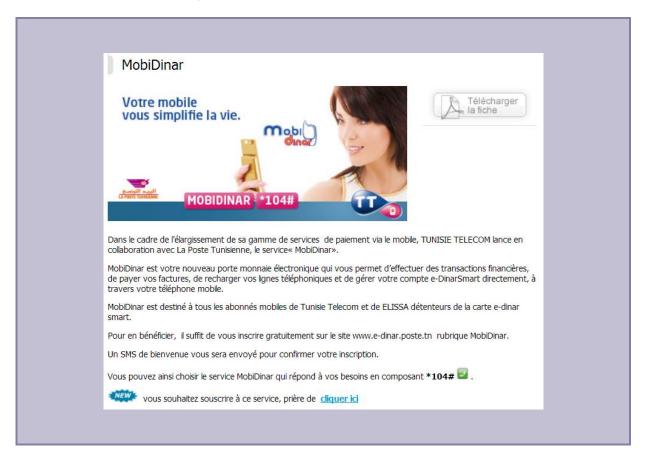


## Tunisie Telecom's Mobidinar (Tunisia)

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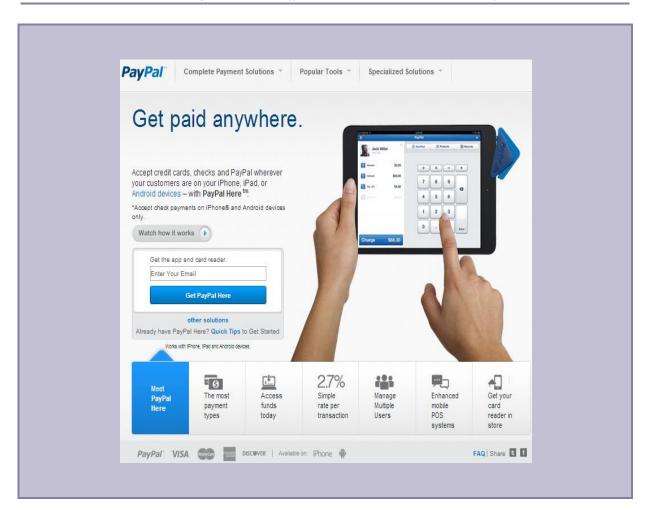
#### **PayPal Here**

**PayPal Here** is a mobile payment solution that includes a free app and a thumb-sized card reader for your iPhone, Android or iPad device.

PayPal Here lets you simply and securely accept multiple forms of payment anytime, anywhere – credit cards, debit cards, checks, invoicing, and PayPal payments.

PayPal Here is available for small business owners who need a simple way to accept payments on-the-go or as a point of sale solution in their retail store.

The service costs a fixed 2.7% rate per transaction and the card reader is provided free of charge.



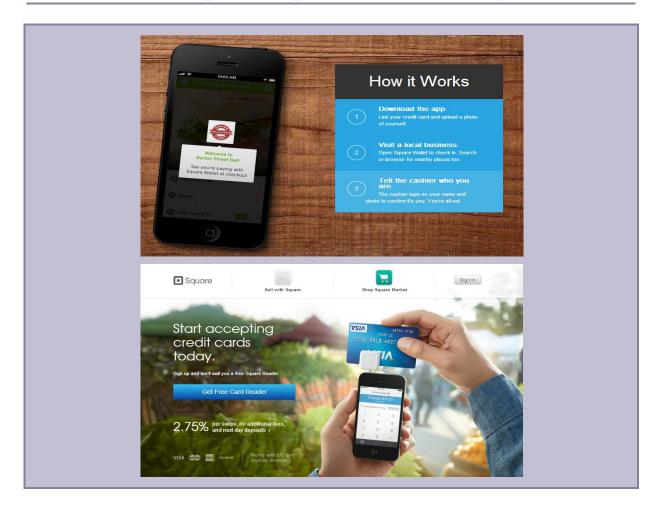
#### Square

Square is a mobile payment service that comes with two applications: Square Register and Square wallet.

 Square Register allows individuals and merchants to accept debit and credit cards on their iOS or Android smartphone or tablet computer.

The app supports manually entering the card details or swiping the card through the Square Reader, a small plastic device which plugs into the audio jack of a supported smartphone or tablet and reads the magnetic stripe.

 Square Wallet allows customers to set up a tab and pay for their order simply with their name or a barcode using a stored credit, debit, or gift card.



## A7.2 REAL LIFE EXAMPLES FOR M-EDUCATION

## **CEIBAL plan** – (Uruguay)<sup>11</sup>

The CEIBAL plan is a pilot programme that aims to promote technological competitiveness. It is an embodiment of the OLPC (One Laptop Per Child) programme and focuses on bridging the digital divide by developing a new low-cost laptop computer and promoting tech skills to poor children.

The programme was able to:

- deploy 380,000 laptops in primary schools and about 100,000 in secondary schools.
- provide Internet servers in 2,068 schools (98% student coverage); and in 250 public places with Internet connection.
- train 20,000 teachers, 500 support teachers, and 1,500 volunteers.
- create an educational portal and a national television channel for content dissemination and ongoing training.

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### Bharti Airtel: Offering mobile education to improve spoken English and enhance career prospects<sup>12</sup>

Global telecommunications giant Bharti Airtel's m-Education services mirror a classroom experience on a mobile technology platform, making education more convenient, accessible and affordable. A novel voice-based course for mobile customers, it has been designed for young learners who cannot afford the time or money, or both, to enroll in regular classes and uses the native language of the customer. It is available across India to all Bharti Airtel mobile customers, allowing them access to affordable services on the go, anytime, anywhere, and has received an overwhelming response in a short time frame.

**Core technologies:** The m-Education services are based on IVR (interactive voice response), SMS or WAP (Wireless Application Protocol) format and offer interactive learning in the native language of the customers.

**Learning content:** The spoken English course has been designed on the IVR format, supplemented by SMS and accessed on a toll-free number. It starts with an optional 'pre-test' to determine current proficiency and based on the results customers are recommended one of two levels – basic or advanced. Each level lasts three months (90 days) and customers are allowed to change their level once during the course if they decide they are on the wrong level.

**Business model:** The spoken English course is available at a daily subscription of Rs. 5/day with 10 minutes of free usage per day. This allows the customer to complete one lesson for Rs. 5. The course lasts for 90 days, with an automatic renewal on the daily subscription.

#### SFR's « e-école pour tous »13

Following a strategic review of the French educational market, SFR identified an opportunity to provide a turnkey offering designed to appeal to primary schools with minimal IT expertise. The communications service encompasses connectivity, support for learning capabilities, as well as training and maintenance support. Conceptually, this acts as a platform for the delivery of a digital educational experience, the components of which are supplied by other businesses with specific expertise in educational products and services.

The scope of SFR's services includes connectivity, security services and remote device management of PCs or tablets based on the preferred devices of individual schools. The integration of a learning management system (LMS) into the overall proposition is an important step, as it opens the door for students to experience the virtual learning environment. The LMS also permits auditability. In other words, student usage information is recorded and represents a potential new service and revenue stream over the long term.

The proposition is in the early stages of being deployed and is based on a partnering model. In addition to SFR, a content provider, an LMS provider and a supplier of digital whiteboards are collaborating to deliver a 'school-as-a-service' offering; a separate finance provider handles payments from the body responsible for local school administration and disburses them to the other four service providers in the partner ecosystem. The payment framework consists of a three-year commitment of monthly subscription fees, as well as a one-time set-up charge.

#### Merill Lynch: How mobile devices are supporting professional learning and development?14

In 2007, Merill Lynch began a seven-week pilot programme in which educational content was wirelessly sent to the Blackberry smartphones of 2100 employees, enabling them to access learning materials on the daily commute or while travelling on business. The content consisted of three mandated compliance courses, accessible via both smartphones, laptops and desktop computers.

The trial participants completed their compliance training 20 days ahead of the deadline and the pilot group members were estimated to have gained 4,270 hours of extra productivity. In addition, pilot participants achieved higher scores in the compliance training than other Merill Lynch employees.

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## *Tunisiana's 'NAJJA7NI' offering*<sup>15</sup> (Tunisia)

The US Department of State has launched a mobile English language learning platform in collaboration with Tunisiana & Edupartage.com. This service is offered to Tunisiana's 6 million subscribers for free, for a period of 90 days.

US Department of State experts have worked in partnership with Edupartage's local teaching committee to offer "Najja7ni M-English" mobile phone-based multiple-choice questionnaires (MCQ) that cover grammar and vocabulary inspired from daily situations.

The service includes 500 MCQs and will cost 0.5 Tunisian Dinars per day of use after the trial period. The revenue will be shared between Tunisiana (30%) and Pro-Invest (70%). Users will have to dial \*136# to launch the service, and then be invited to choose from different themes and topics. Thanks to USSD technology, any phone, even old, even basic provides access to Najjahni Education service.

## A7.3 REAL LIFE EXAMPLES FOR M-HEALTH

Health care services can be classified in different ways as highlighted in the GSMA report Mobile Technology's Promise for Healthcare in 2010: Simple m-Health Solutions, Advanced m-Health Solutions and Regulatory m-Health Solutions.

#### • Simple m-Health solutions

Simple m-Health solutions empower patients to manage their conditions and give providers access to critical health information through the use of low-cost and accessible mobile SMS technology, which is an ideal solution to engage patients due to the ubiquity of mobile devices and the high utilisation by target populations. Text messages can be sent over any mobile operator's network. For example, SMS can be sent to patients who have an appointment; to provide the name of the patient and a phone number; or to advise when a patient is unable to attend a consultation. The objective is to reduce absenteeism of scheduled appointments by optimising available resources to decrease the number of missed appointments, thereby maximising efficiency and reducing waiting times for hospitals.

#### Mobile Authentication Service (MAS) (Nigeria)

The Nigerian National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) launched a Mobile Authentication Service (MAS) for one specific drug (BIOFEM's Glucophage) used in diabetes treatment. This service enables consumers to confirm the authenticity of the drug by scratching a label on the drug packaging to reveal a code number, and sending this number by **SMS (for free**) to a database server. An immediate text reply confirms whether the drug is genuine or fake (or if the secure PIN has already been used or is not recognised), and also contains an alwaysavailable helpline number.

The trial was a real success and it is planned to scale up the service.

BM: A sustainable BM based on SMS for Free (Supported by pharmaceutical company)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Najja7ni: Mobile learning services for improving education, English language skills and employment opportunities in Tunisia, GSMA (2014).

#### Vodafone's Ask a Doctor (India)

**<u>Availability</u>**: Vodafone's Ask a Doctor – Health@5 is a mobile app in India that users can activate by sending an SMS.

**Business model**: It is offered at a cost of Rs. 5 per day (unlimited queries).

**Description**: The service allows individuals to read basic information about disease management, common healthcare myths and wellness. Users can also send questions to a panel of medical experts that are answered within 24 hours.

#### • Advanced m-Health solutions

Advanced mobile communications offer a variety of mobile healthcare solutions:

- Devices that monitor blood sugar levels or heart rates and then transmit that information wirelessly to a physician.
- Asthma monitoring a mobile phone application that allows patients to input readings from peak flow meters and transmits the data directly to GP surgeries, providing consistent baseline data.
- The delivery of live services for users whilst recording actual visit times; combining real-time electronic call monitoring with two-way communication.
- Mobile medical applications that let clinicians and patients easily document, retrieve and communicate patient information at the point-of-care.

#### 3G Doctor (UK and Ireland)

Availability: Available 24/7 to residents in the UK and Ireland.

**Services**: Video consultations available on the 3G Doctor website and mobile platform.

BM: £35 per session.

**Description**: Video chat with a licensed doctor on 3G Doctor. The web platform lets patients chat live with medical experts. Consultations are available with registered doctors in the UK and Ireland. A UK or Ireland-based phone number is needed to connect.

#### Heart Monitoring M2M Device (USA)

Cinterion's module in USA:

- Enables secure and reliable communication of detailed diagnostic data via cellular networks and the Internet.
- Provides patients and their physicians with 24/7 monitoring and improved detection and visibility of arrhythmia events.
- Helps reduce hospital stays and healthcare costs.
- Ensures patients' data privacy.

#### BM: Package sales. (Financial BM)

#### • Regulatory m-Health Solutions

Following are the main m-Health regulatory challenges:

 Determine the right balance between the different regulatory approaches and resulting dynamics of the communications and healthcare industries while also coping with significant regional variations.

- Establish globally harmonised mobile health standards and interoperable approaches to support innovation and serve a mass consumer market.
- Find a balance that supports innovative m-Health solutions by rewarding positive health outcomes and providing regulatory controls that are proportionate to the risks and applied evenly.
- Ensure the provision of regulatory compliance assistance for healthcare professionals, insurers, and patients, for example regarding confidentiality requirements for patient data.

"Health applications play a pivotal role in the mHealth movement because mHealth relies on providers' use of these applications when servicing patients. This creates a dilemma that has not been seen since the development of computers. Providers have been using software to aid their medical decisions for some time, but now providers can also use their mobile devices to help them make actual diagnoses. In addition, mHealth is offering solutions directly to the consumer. While in developing countries, such as the United States, this can create problems. Even though the industry is still in its infancy, statistics show that mHealth is growing exponentially." Source: FDA Regulations of mobile phone applications as medical devices, Alex Krouse, J.D., 2012, Indiana University Robert H McKinney School of Law, Indianapolis, Indiana.

## Med Africa (Kenya)

**Availability**: Available for smartphones and less powerful feature phones.

**<u>BM</u>**: Free content supported by advertising; offers premium content for a subscription; doctors pay about \$10 a month for access to its user base.

**Description**: Application that connects people in Kenya to quality healthcare and important health-related information. Launched in November 2011, and by March 2012, more than 70,000 users had downloaded the app from Samsung Apps.

Nokia, Safaricom and the Android Market.

## A7.4 REAL LIFE EXAMPLES FOR M-GOVERNANCE

#### m-Governance in India

The National e-Governance Plan of the Government of India takes a holistic view of e-Governance initiatives across the country, integrating them into a collective vision. Around this idea, a massive countrywide infrastructure is evolving, and large-scale digitization of records is taking place to enable easy, reliable access over the Internet.

Mobile government is being integrated as part of India's e-Government strategy and is viewed as an instrument by which the Government can interact with citizens in rural areas, especially for the benefit of the economy. Mobile Government forms part of its vision to connect the unconnected.

As an extension of its e-Governance vision and with the mobile phone subscriber base now totaling over 870 million countrywide, the Government has also decided to facilitate access to public services via mobile devices. To this end, the Department of Information Technology has set up a Mobile Governance Innovation Fund to support the development of suitable applications by Government departments and agencies and also by third-party developers, including start-ups. The objective is to accelerate the development and deployment of mobile applications across the entire spectrum of public services. In parallel, a knowledge portal and knowledge management framework on mobile governance has been created to enhance the service provision capabilities of various m-Governance stakeholders.

This integrated platform allows Government agencies to deliver services over mobile devices using mobile communication channels like SMS, USSD (Unstructured Supplementary Service Data), IVRS (Interactive Voice Response), CBS (Cell Broadcasting Based Services), LBS (Location Based Services), mobile payment services, and through mobile applications installed on the smart phones.

m-Governance in Africa

The implementation of m-Governance can enhance the visibility of the relationship between government, citizens, businesses, agencies and organisations and allow governments to become more efficient and effective in fulfilling their service-delivery functions. Figure A7.1 below illustrates some examples of m-Governance initiatives in Africa.

In some cases it is the private sector driving forward the mobile government agenda. For example, IBM is working closely with the Kenyan government in shaping the framework for the organisation of its data-management systems and enabling better citizen access. Elsewhere, HP is about to ramp up its investment in sub-Saharan Africa and it sees the public sector as an important part of its growth strategy in the region. Examples of its work include improving disease surveillance through mobile health monitoring technology in Botswana and the deployment of a technology platform providing education to those without access to formal schooling in Senegal.

Africa, examples of mobile government projects						
Country	Project	Туре	Notes			
Rwanda	TRACnet	G2C	A national program supporting those living with HIV			
Kenya	NAFIS/NALEP	G2B	Agricultural information service (farmers call in for recorded information)			
Tanzania	Agricultural Marketing Systems	G2B	Development Program Commodity price service by SMS, administered by Vodacom and Ministry of Industry and Trade			
Uganda	The Question and Answer Service (QAS) Voucher System (VS)	G2B	Voucher system enables personalized advice for farmers, run by the Rural Empowerment Network			
Tunisia	Mobile Gov	G2C	Information service, run by central government and delivered by SMS, providing information on travel, weather and schools			
Egypt	Government e-Procurement Portal	G2C	SMS-delivered service on government employment opportunities and health; the Ministry of State for Administrative Development worked in partnership with Vodafone Egypt			
Egypt	Free SIMs for farmers	G2B	1 million free SIMs for farmers subsidized by central government			
South Africa	ID Track and Trace	G2G	Tracking of ID document application via SMS			
Uganda	National Water and Sewerage Corp Payments	G2C	Allows consumers to pay water utility bills via MTN Mobile Money Source: Informa Telecoms & Media			

# A7.5 REAL LIFE EXAMPLES FOR M-SPORT

## Telecoms

**Orange**: Orange has partnered with Sky Sports to allow subscribers to watch the latest live sports action and up-tothe-minute news from Sky on the move. With access to Sky Sports 1, 2, 3, 4 and ESPN they can tune in live on their mobile and never miss a moment. They also get Sky News, Sky Sports News, CNN and At the Races.

**Vodafone**: Vodafone UK has partnered with Sky Broadcasting, to provide subscribers with an all-the-football-you-canwatch-per-month premium streaming service for  $\pm 5$  per month or 50p per highlight. Vodafone and Sky Broadcasting split the revenue. The service also includes score and game alerts and is much like the addition of a premium channel in a cable TV subscription plan. Subscribers to 4G are offered either free mobile access to Sky Sports Mobile TV or free access to the Sportily Premium music streaming service, for six months. After the introductory period each will cost an extra  $\pm 4.99$  per month.

#### Media & Association examples

**The Sports Network (TSN) and Contec Innovations**: According to a Mobile Marketer article published on 2 January 2009, The Sports Network (TSN) and Contec Innovations have partnered on a new global mobile sports service, providing mobile access to all things sports for carriers, publishers and brands.

Covering more than 50 sports and hundreds of leagues and events worldwide, this initiative lets mobile consumers access up-to-date news, photos, scores and results, statistics and live action.

"Available via mobile Internet, SMS and MMS, the service has three distinctive audiences: wireless carriers seeking to enhance their sports offering; mobile service providers that wish to add new services to their portfolios; and media companies and brands that sponsor mobile sports content in their local markets or on a global basis." *Dan Butcher, The Sports Network, Contec expand mobile sports services, Mobile Marketer January 2, 2009* 



**Monaco mobile application**: AS Monaco FC launched its mobile applications in February 2013. These applications allow fans to follow live text on club matches, results, rankings, player details, videos detailing all the news about the club, and react via Twitter or Facebook. Fans can also buy tickets from the online club ticket counter, make purchases at the online club store, and take pictures of themselves with the AS Monaco FC jersey.

**BBC Sport**: Tech author Hannah Bouckley indicated in a January 2013 article that the BBC has launched a dedicated sports app that collates BBC sports coverage including news commentary, analysis, stats and live scores. Launched initially on iOS for the iPhone and iPod, an Android version is planned.

Users of the new BBC sports app can follow the latest sports news along with live and on-demand video highlights, and stream Radio 5 Live to listen online. Its release follows the success of the <u>BBC Olympics app</u>, which was downloaded by 2 million people.

Lucie McLean from BBC Future Media said: "Through the huge success of the Olympics we know that audiences love to access sport services through both mobile browser and apps. The new BBC Sport app builds on the success of London 2012 to give users an even easier way to get the content they love, whether it's checking out how their team got on, following live text updates on the day's sporting action or catching up with the latest news."

Fox Sports GO: An application that enables subscribers to watch live sports and shows. Key features of FOX Sports Go include:

- News and exclusive analysis from the FOX Sports team of writers and on-air personalities
- Scores, stats, standings and more for all major sports
- Video: highlights, pre- and post-game interviews
- Local content (news, video and analysis) from the Fox Sports Net (FSN) regional cable networks

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