# ATSC 3.0 base Terrestrial UHD Broadcasting in S. Korea

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### ATSC 3.0 base Terrestrial UHD Status in Korea (1)

#### **Commercial Launch**

- ATSC 3.0 base terrestrial 4K-UHD broadcasting started in Seoul metro area (May 2017), extended to major cities (Dec. 2017), and will be nationwide by 2021
- New frequency bands in 700 MHz were assigned for UHD broadcasting
- Existing HD (ATSC 1.0) and new UHD services must be simulcasted by 2027, and then the existing HD service will be switched off



### ATSC 3.0 base Terrestrial UHD Status in Korea (2)

#### **Consumer Devices**

• TV, Set-top box, and others (dongle receiver, home gateway) are available in market







- Dongle receiver for existing device
- Home gateway for WiFi re-distribution

### ATSC 3.0 base Terrestrial UHD Status in Korea (3)

#### 2018 Winter Olympics (PyeongChang)

• Successfully demonstrated HD mobile and 4K-UHD in a single RF channel







# Why ATSC 3.0 in Korea UHD? (1)

### ATSC 1.0 Developed in 1993



**Dial-up Modem** 19.2 kbps

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- VCR analog
- First digital broadcasting standard
- HD video & 5.1 digital audio
- **Electronic program guides & caption** ٠

#### **Revolution in 1993**

### **Modern Digital World**



### **But, Old-fashioned TV**



# Why ATSC 3.0 in Korea UHD? (2)

### **Enhanced TV**

#### **Mobility**









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Datacasting

**Navigation Updates** 



**Apps and Data** 



### Convergence





# **On-going and Planned Services: SFN**

#### **Single Frequency Network**

- New frequency bands in 700 MHz were assigned for UHD broadcasting
- HD and UHD simulcasting is mandatory → No more frequency resource!!



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1.5MHz

**OVGA** 

### **On-going and Planned Services: Mobile HD**

Mobile

FHD

#### **Mobile HD Trial**

• Several field trials (in SFN) verified feasibility of mobile HD service:

- ➢ SFN → uniform & stronger field strength
- ➢ ATSC 3.0 PHY → robust reception performance & simultaneous service (HD and UHD)







# **On-going and Planned Services: AEA**

#### **Advanced Emergency Alert**

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#### • ATSC 3.0 AEA service was launched in September 2019: wake-up and rich media





#### ATSC 3.0 Emergency Alert System Launches In South Korea

Using a terrestrial UHD broadcast network, South Korea believes system will be nationwide by 2022.

Michael Balderston · Updated: Sep 30, 2019 · Original: Sep 30, 2019

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SEOUL—The global development of ATSC 3.0 continues with an announcement over the weekend that South Korea has launched a UHD Emergency Alert Service that is based on ATSC 3.0 technology. The Korean Ministry of Information and Communication made the announcement during the 2019 Broadcast Industry Promotion Week.

The new system uses a terrestrial UHD broadcast network to deliver disaster related information, but at this time it will work in tandem, not as a replacement, for Korea's existing telecom-based alert system. The *Korea IT Times* reports that the addition of ATSC 3.0 signals is meant to enhance the country's alerting process by offering backup and covering "blind spots" not covered by telecom signals.



## Summary

### ➤ Terrestrial UHD Status in S. Korea

- ATSC 3.0 standard was selected for UHD broadcasting
  - ✓ Enhanced TV: mobility, better quality (UHD), personalized service (targeted AD)
  - $\checkmark$  Datacasting: navigation update, multimedia file delivery, apps and data
  - ✓ Convergence: any kind of IP-base broadband system
- Commercial launch in 2017 and nationwide by 2021 (new spectrum: 700MHz band)
- Simulcasting of existing HD service and new UHD service by 2027

#### On-going and Planned Services

- Single frequency network → uniform and strong field strength → mobile & indoor service
- Simulcasting of mobile HD and fixed 4k-UHD in a single RF channel
- Advanced emergency alert to support wake-up and rich media
- Future convergence with 4G/5G/WiFi





Thank You!!

# Why ATSC 3.0 in Korea UHD? (3)

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# **On-going and Planned Services: Convergence (1)**



Convergence of Broadcast and Broadband

- Broadcast (ATSC 3.0)
  - High power high tower (HPHT)
  - One-to-many transmission: efficient for simultaneous deliveries
  - May need additional LPLTs for robust mobile/indoor services
- Mobile Network (5G)
  - Low power low tower (LPLT)
  - Unicast, availability of uplink
  - Network can be congested (packet drop, latency)



- More capacity
- Coverage extension
- Realistic/Interactive services

# **On-going and Planned Services: Convergence (2)**

#### **Convergence (4G/5G/WiFi etc)**

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- ATSC 3.0 is world 1<sup>st</sup> all-IP system so that it can be connected to any kind of IP-base system
- Plan to converge with 4G/5G system





- > ATSC 3.0 Broadcast (HPHT) takes dominant consumption of A/V traffic
  - Broadband can be cooperated (interactivity, hybrid, coverage extension) thru Unicast
- Seamless switching between Broadcast and Broadband networks