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## The Future of the Digital TV



1. The importance of free-to-air TV in Brazil

- Distribution platform with the greatest penetration in Brazilian households, being the only TV platform available in more than 70% of them;
- It secures to most of the Brazilian population a free-of-charge, universal and democratic access to information and entertainment;
- Made by Brazilians for Brazilians;
- Important social cohesion, national and cultural identity factor.



#### 2. SBTVD Forum role

- Decree # 4.901 / 2003: decision to establish a Brazilian DTV System;
  - Stimulate research and development and enable the expansion of Brazilian Technologies and of the national industry related to information technology and communications.
- Decree # 5.820 / 2006: creation of the SBTVD Forum to advise the government regarding politics and technical issues related to the approval of technical innovations, specifications, development and implementation of the Brazilian DTTB system (SBTVD-T), based in the Japanese standard ISDB-T.



### 2. SBTVD Forum role

- Requirements stablished for the SBTVD-T:
  - I digital transmission in High-Definition (HDTV) and in Standard-Definition (SDTV);
  - II simultaneous digital transmission for fixed, mobile and portable reception; and
  - III interactivity.





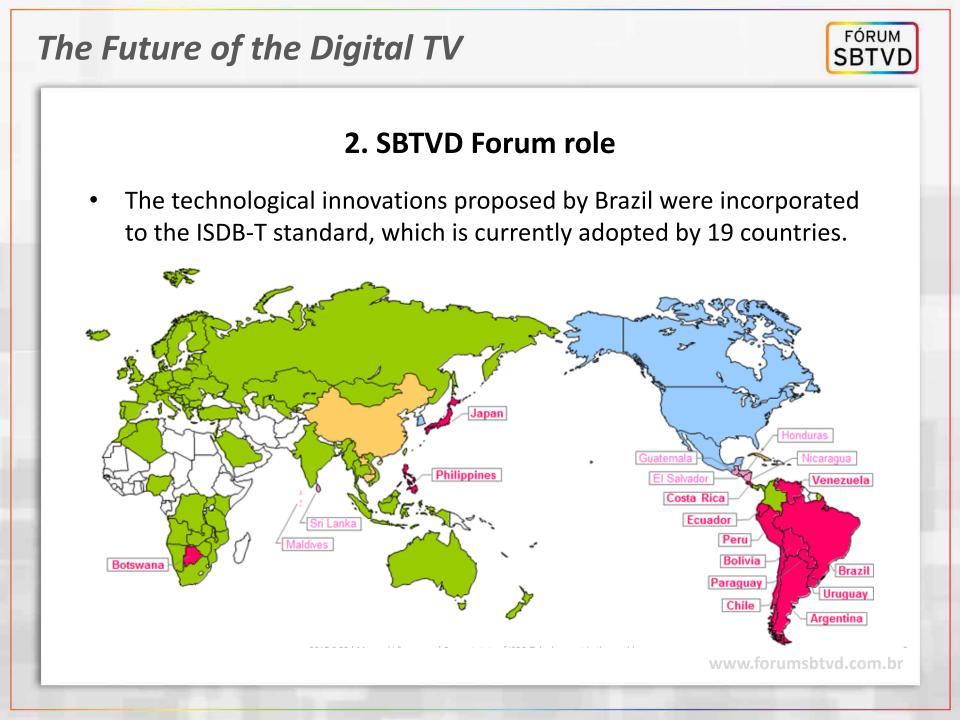




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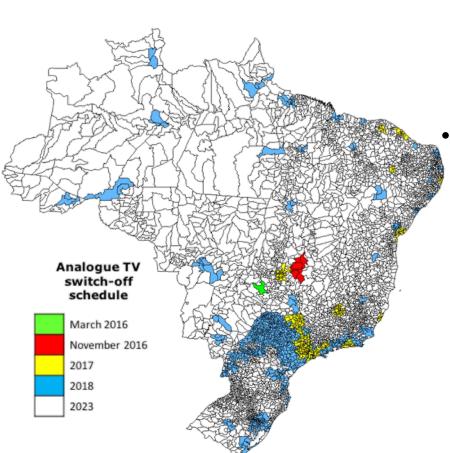
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- The SBTVD Forum, composed by representatives of the broadcasting, academy, transmission, reception and software industry sectors, developed and published the first SBTVD-T standards in 2007, allowing the official opening of transmissions in that same year.
- Since then, the standards have been continuously revised and updated by the Forum.





#### 2. SBTVD Forum role



Since 2016, Brazil started a safe and gradual analog TV switch-off process, that aims to assure that no one be deprived of the terrestrial free-to-air TV and that has been very successful, becoming a world reference.



#### 3. Current technological landscape



- **Technological revolution**: the rhythm of development and introduction of innovations is increasingly accelerated.
- This innovations create new consumption habits and increase the expectations of technological services' users regarding the quality and convenience of these services.



#### 3. Current technological landscape

- Since the introduction of SBTVD, new immersive audio and video formats emerged, that are already present in the new TV sets available in the market.
- The TV sets available have resolution and contrast greater than those supported in the current standard. That's the **opposite of the market situation when DTV was launched in Brazil**, when the HDTV sets offer was very low.







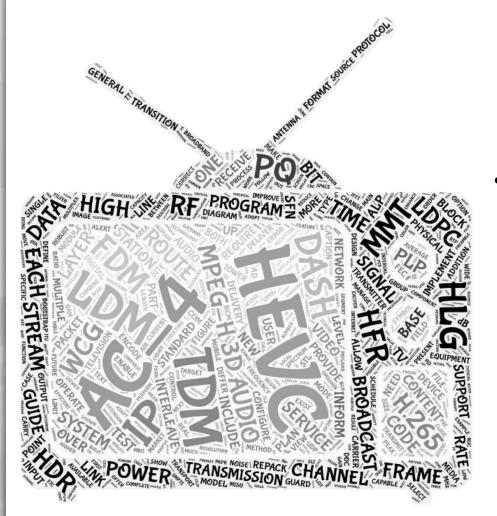
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- The availability and the speed of internet access in Brazil, specially in metropolitan areas, increased significantly, enabling the consumption of **on-demand audiovisual content**.
- This connectivity is already in use by TV sets (SmartTVs) and by broadcasters' OTT offers. However, there is not yet an integration between the broadcasting service and the internet content offer.









New techniques for signal coding, transport, multiplexing and modulation were also developed.



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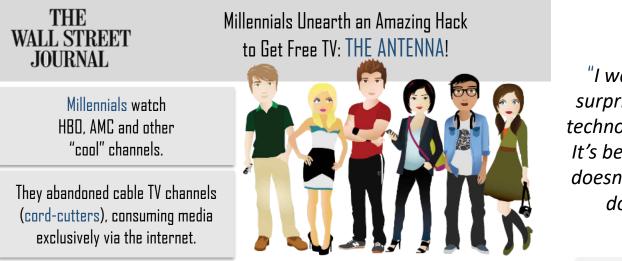
#### 3. Current technological landscape

 Many DTTB standards have also been evolving over time, including in this evolution not only enhancements in quality and efficiency, but also new convergent services between the broadcasting and the internet.



#### 3. Current technological landscape

 Particularly in the USA, a market traditionally dominated by Pay-TV, the terrestrial free-to-air TV has been rediscovered by the public, gaining increasing relevance and investments.





"I was just kind of surprised that this is technology that exists. It's been awesome. It doesn't log out and it doesn't skip."

> Dan Sisco - 28 years old M.B.A. student in Utah



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But... the quality of the "premium" services is sometimes not satisfactory, servers don't support the traffic demand and streaming has limitations.

The solution? To install a \$20 UHF antenna. That's right. They now use their TV receiver to watch live events in the <u>free-to-air channels</u> and find it AMAZING.



## In Brazil, it is up to the SBTVD Forum to lead the studies for the evolution of DTV, including the definition of the technologies for the next generation.



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#### **4. SBTVD-T Evolution**

- Considering the technological landscape previously described and the Brazilian role in the development and implementation of DTV in the global context and in Latin America in particular, the SBTVD
  Forum considers that now it's necessary to stablish a plan for the evolution of the Brazilian DTV System.
- This evolution plan shall be based on two complementary and parallel lines of action: the incremental evolutions (backward compatible) and the innovations to be incorporated into the next generation of SBTVD-T.



The SBTVD Forum remains committed to pursue, on the one hand, the **harmonization with the main technologies available in the market** and, on the other hand, the **preservation of technologies with Brazilian intellectual property**, which it has the freedom to specify and evolve according to the specificities of the Brazilian DTTB market.





4.1. Incremental evolutions

• The SBTVD Forum works continuously to incorporate relevant incremental evolutions to the SBTVD-T through the constant revision and update of the SBTVD-T technical standards.





#### 4.1. Incremental evolutions

- Development of a new Ginga profile that, besides enabling an audiovisual quality enhancement, will also enable the development of new convergent services between the broadcasting service and the internet.
- New use cases considered:
  - Video on-demand, supporting adaptive streaming;
  - Synchronized "Companion Devices";
  - **Targeted content** (video, audio and data) synchronized with the main programming; and
  - VoD offer integrated with the broadcasting service in an unified user experience.



#### 4.1. Incremental evolutions

- Support to new video formats (e.g. HDR);
- Support to new immersive audio formats.







#### 4.1. Incremental evolutions

- The new profile shall have a satisfactory performance to achieve the expected quality of experience, although it shall not have a significant impact on the cost of hardware and software, taking advantage, as much as possible, of the existing resources of the current generation SmartTVs.
- It shall also support that the transmission of complementary video, audio and data to be used by the applications be done either multiplexed in the DTTB signal or via the internet.
- Finally, it shall support web technologies already consolidated in the market, such as HTML5 and JavaScript, while preserving and evolving Ginga-NCL, an essential element of the Brazilian technology contained in the SBTVD-T.



#### 4.1. Incremental evolutions

- The SBTVD Forum works currently with a plan aiming to finish the drafting of the relevant technical standards for public consultation by ABNT in **June/2018**.
- In order to achieve this evolution, it's necessary a shared commitment of the SBTVD Forum and of all the sectors involved.



## **Incremental Evolutions**

- **Greater integration** of the linear TV with the **internet**.
- Video quality enhancement;
- Incorporation of an immersive audio experience.



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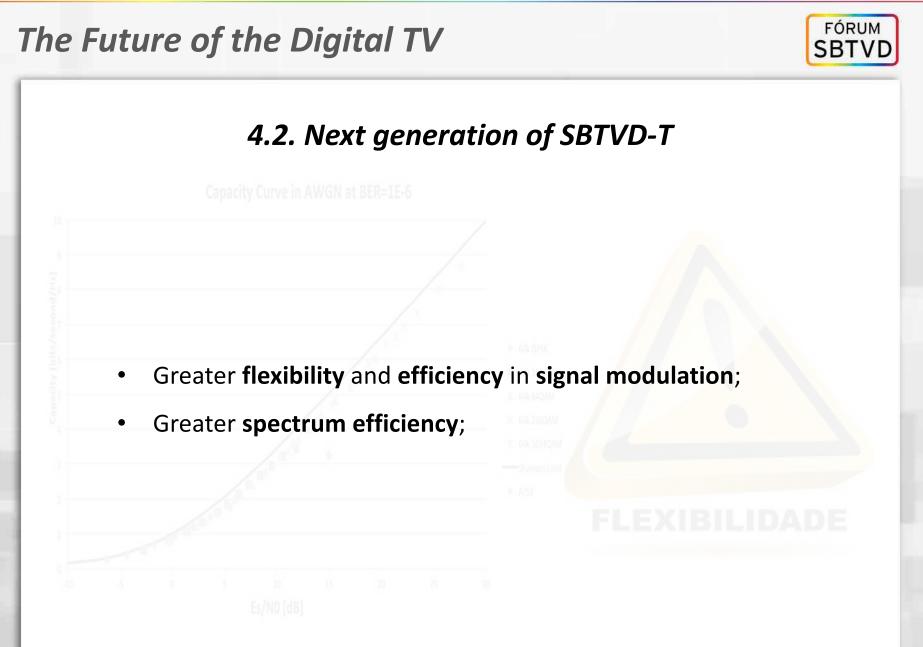
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**4.2.** Next generation of SBTVD-T

- It is up to the SBTVD Forum to evaluate the technologies available and under development, in Brazil and elsewhere in the world, to be used in the next generation of DTV, considering as objectives, besides keeping and evolving all the use cases currently supported by SBTVD-T or under development for an incremental evolution, enabling additionally:
  - Greater efficiency in audio, video and data coding;
  - Greater efficiency in signal transport and multiplexing;





### **4.2.** Next generation of SBTVD-T

- Simultaneous support for HDTV portable/mobile reception and UHDTV (4K or 8K) fixed reception;
- Support for HDR, HFR and immersive audio, for both fixed and portable/mobile reception;





**4.2.** Next generation of SBTVD-T

• Harmonization, integration and synchronization of the DTTB with the internet environment (IP-centric);





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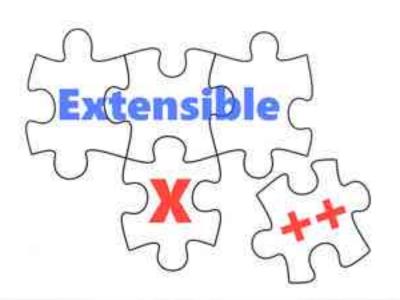


 Improvements in accessibility and emergency warnings;



4.2. Next generation of SBTVD-T

 Greater capacity for backward compatible extensions and support for incremental evolutions, both in physical and logical layers.





### **4.2.** Next generation of SBTVD-T

 The SBTVD Forum proposes to submit the SBTVD-T next-generation technical standards set to the ABNT public consultation process by the end of 2020.





## Next Generation

- Greater audio and video quality;
- Greater **efficiency** and **flexibility**;
- IP-centric;
- Improved accessibility and emergency warnings;
- Extensible.





## The SBTVD Forum can advise the government regarding national public policies related to DTTB.



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#### **5. Public policies for the SBTVD-T evolution**

- A fundamental element of these policies shall be the assurance to keep unchanged the frequency ranges that currently have an exclusive primary allocation for the Broadcasting Television Service in Brazil, both in VHF (54-72 MHz, 76-88 MHz e 174-216 MHz) and UHF (470-608 MHz e 614-698 MHz), except for the 76-88 MHz range that will be additionally allocated for FM Sound Broadcasting in Brazil, without prejudice to the possibility of allocating additional spectrum for the next-generation SBTVD-T.
- These frequency ranges shall not be shared with other services not to limit the future utilization of the available spectrum by the Broadcasting Service, even if those other services access the spectrum dynamically.



### **5.** Public policies for the SBTVD-T evolution

 Another important element of these public policies shall be to foster the research and development activities of the academic institutions that are members of the SBTVD Forum for the evolution of the SBTVD-T, either for the incremental evolutions or for the next generation.



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### **5. Public policies for the SBTVD-T evolution**

- The industrial policy is one additional element of these policies set, recognizing the importance and the cost sensitiveness of the DTV receiver for the popularization of this technology in Brazil. Therefore, the SBTVD Forum supports tax exemptions for TV manufacturing, combined with incentive measures for the development of the SBTVD-T, such as:
  - Reduction of the requirements regarding circuit board assembly for the TV sets with the new Ginga profile;
  - Incorporation of the new Ginga profile in 100% of the SmartTVs; and
  - Incorporation of Ginga in at least 80% of the TV sets made in Brazil.



### 5. Public policies for the SBTVD-T evolution

Finally, it is necessary that the evolution of the SBTVD-T be in the strategic agenda of MCTIC and Anatel, to start the studies and discussions with the broadcasting sector to improve/update DTV regulations and to propose the regulations applicable to the next generation of the SBTVD-T, so that its deployment can start by 2021.







## The future of the Brazilian Digital TV starts here.

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