

Co-ordinated Autonomous Network – prelude

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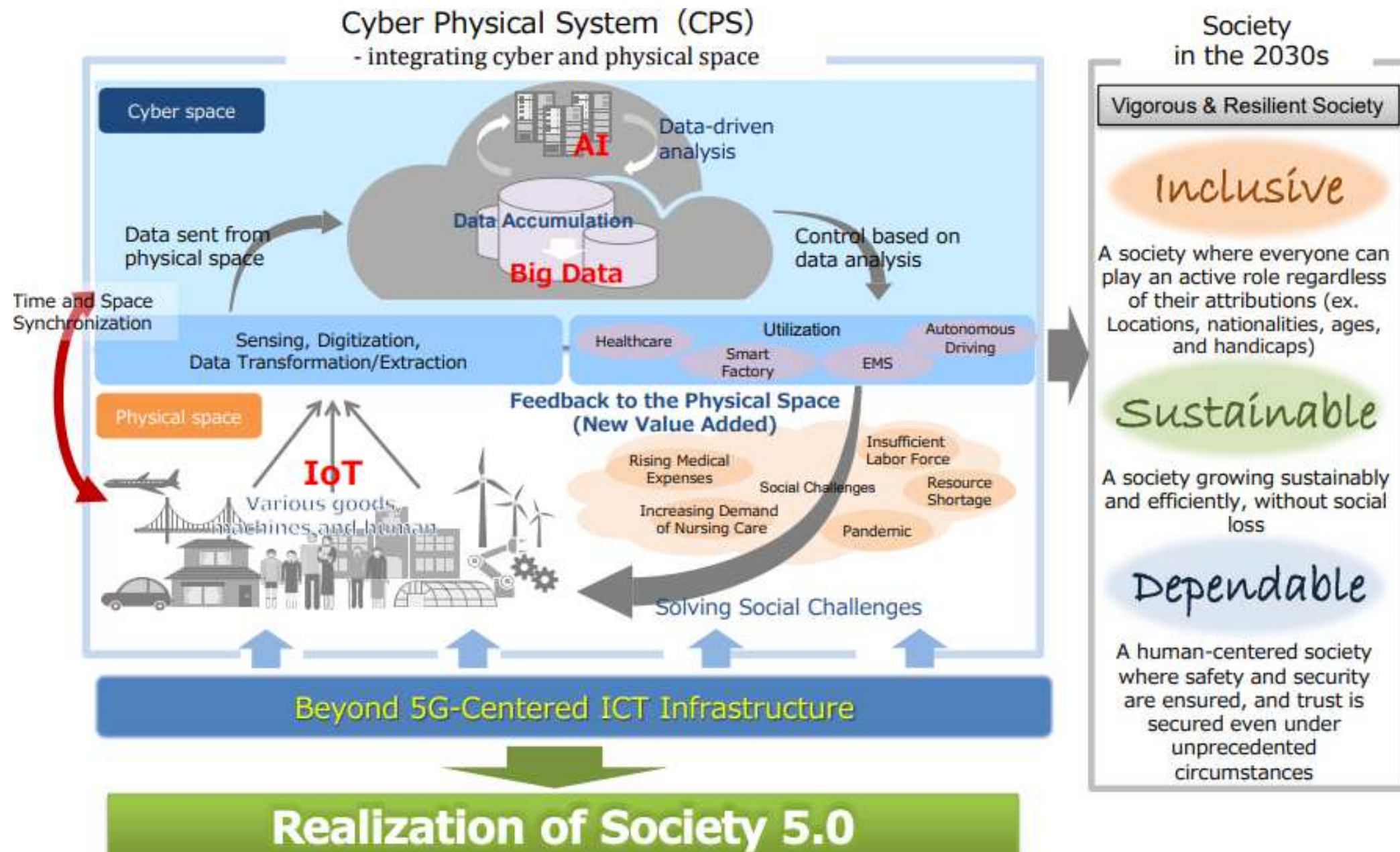
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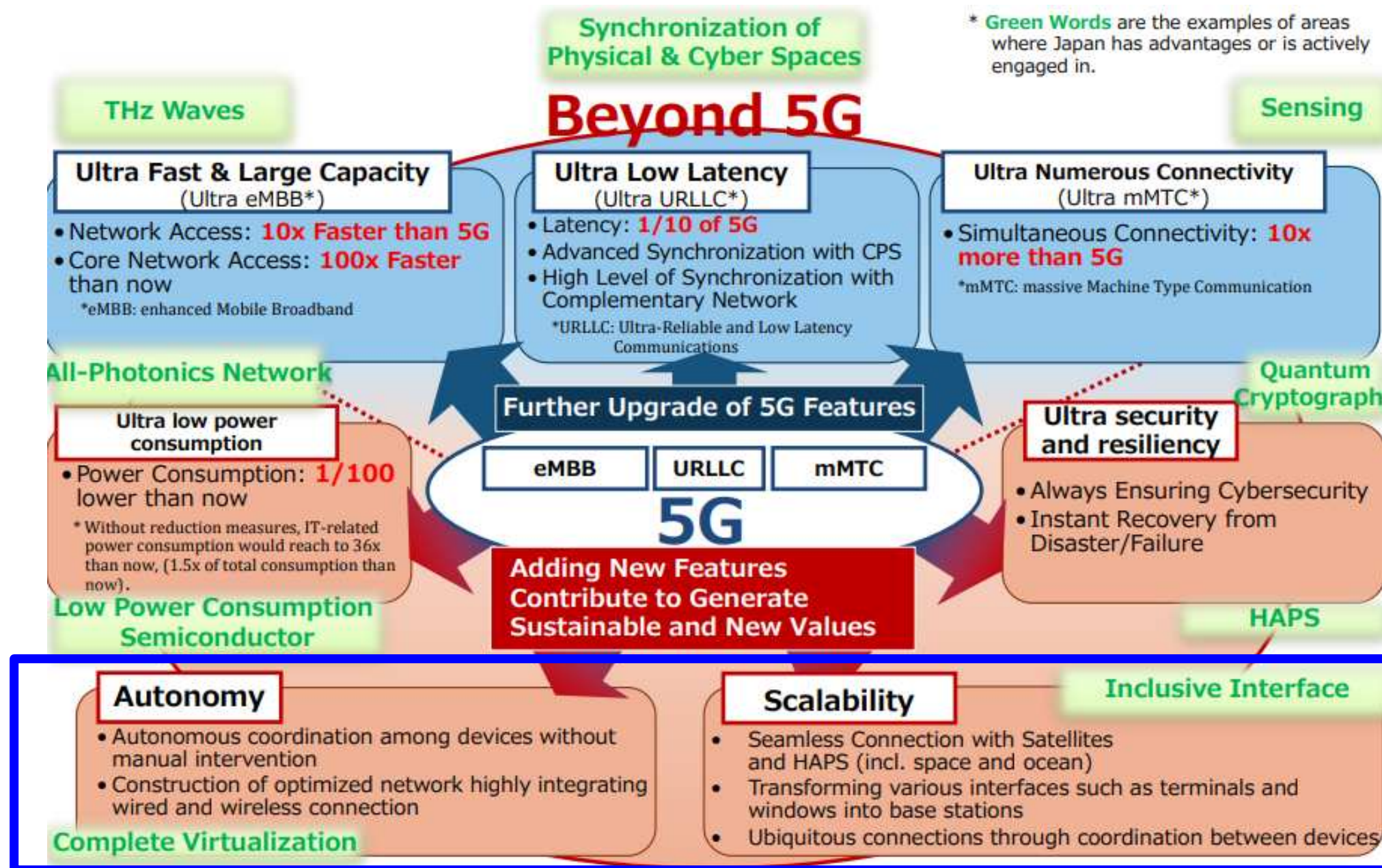
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Society in the 2030s



Key features for Beyond 5G

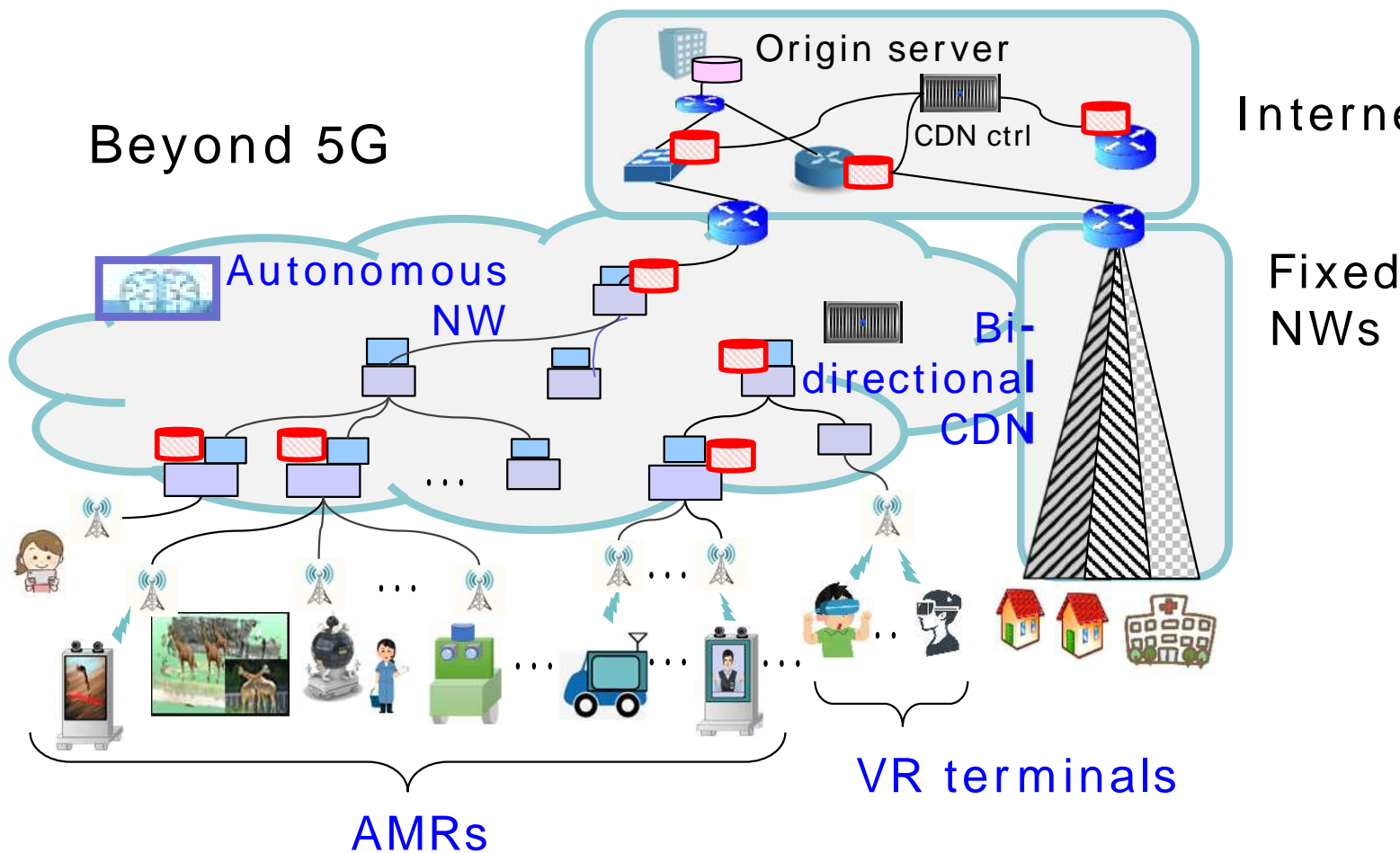




■ Co-ordinated autonomous network

Overall architecture for coordinated autonomous network

- Co-ordinated AN is necessary to satisfy the future huge and complicated requests from new emerging services in B5G era.
- Coordination between autonomous network (NW provider) and bi-directional CDN (Service provider) is important.

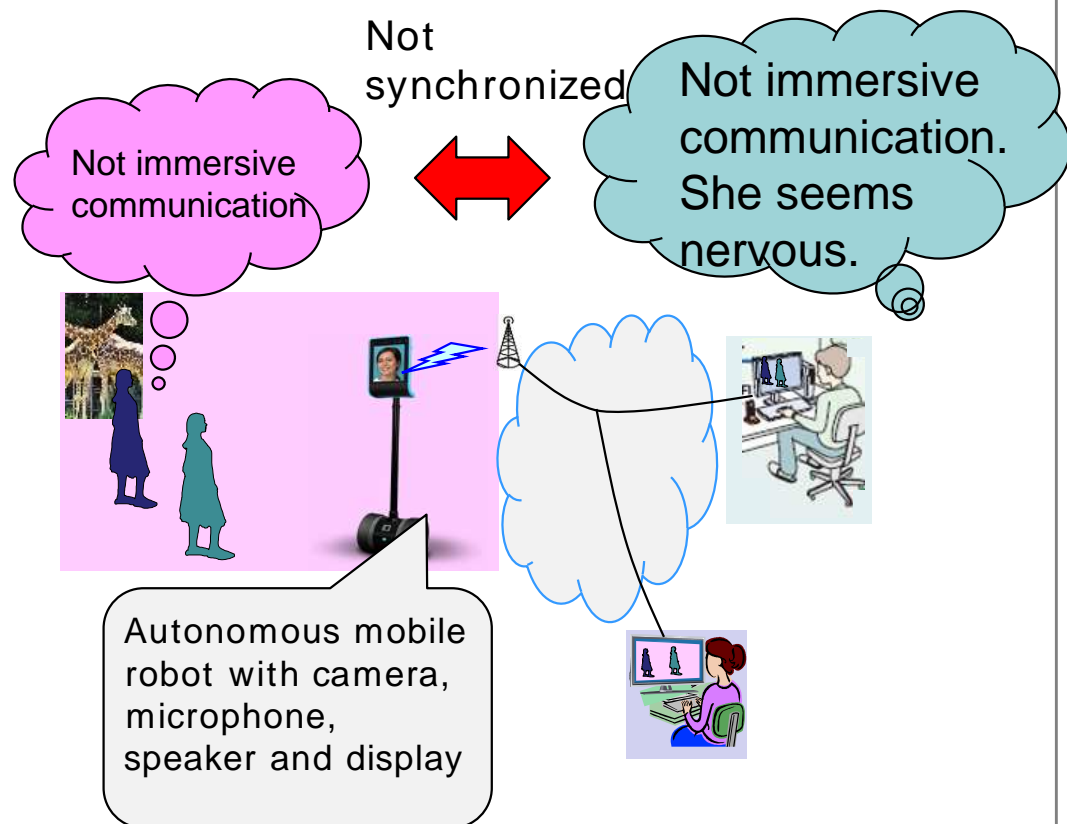


Research project	AI NW	Autonomous network
NW	5 G	6 G (Beyond 5G)
NW mgmt	ML, AI	Evolution, autonomy
Video cntl	Cache control	Bi-directional CDN
Terminal	Smart phone, tablet PC	Autonomous mobile robot, drone, ...

New service over coordinated AN including metaverse

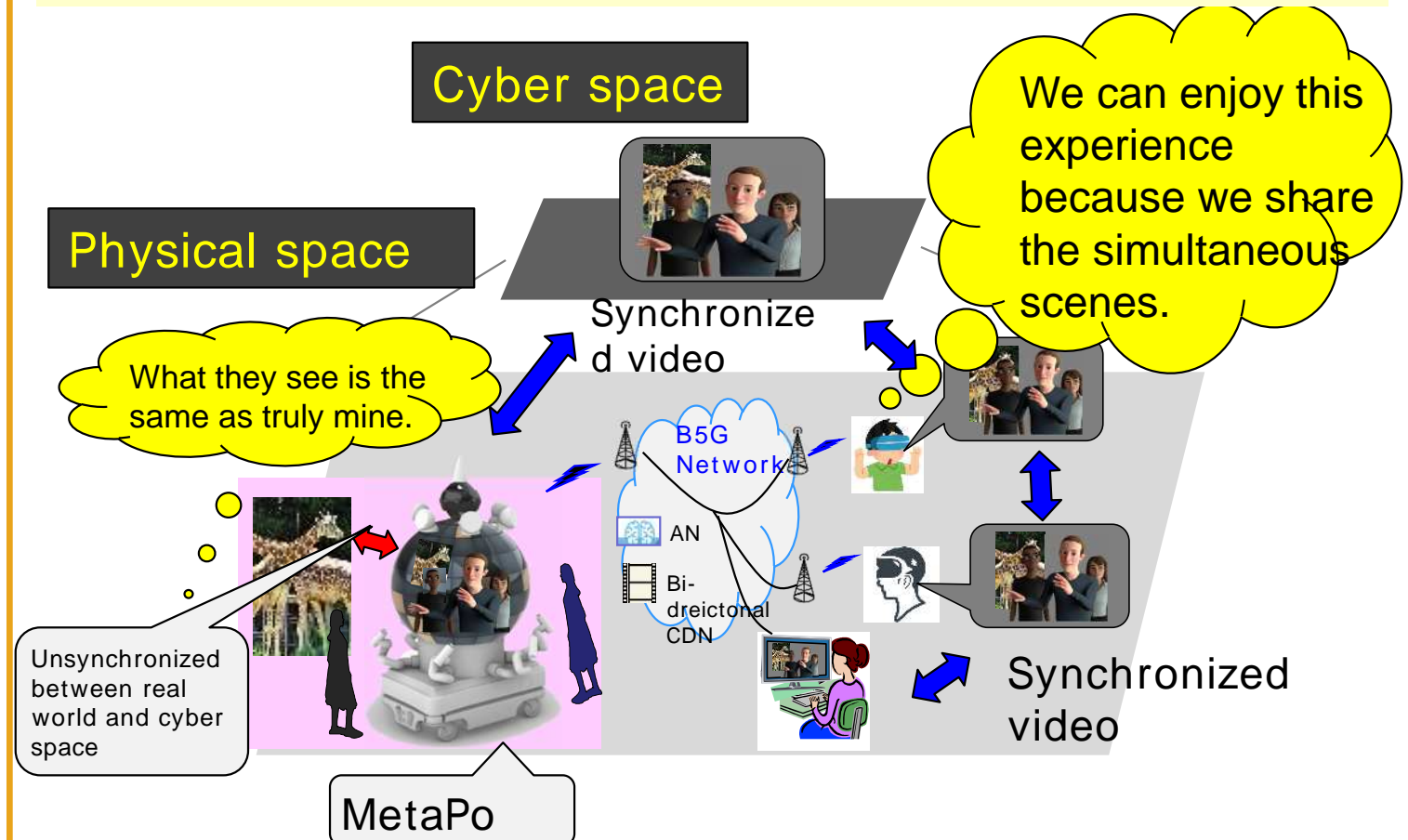
Now

- ◆ Not immersive communication



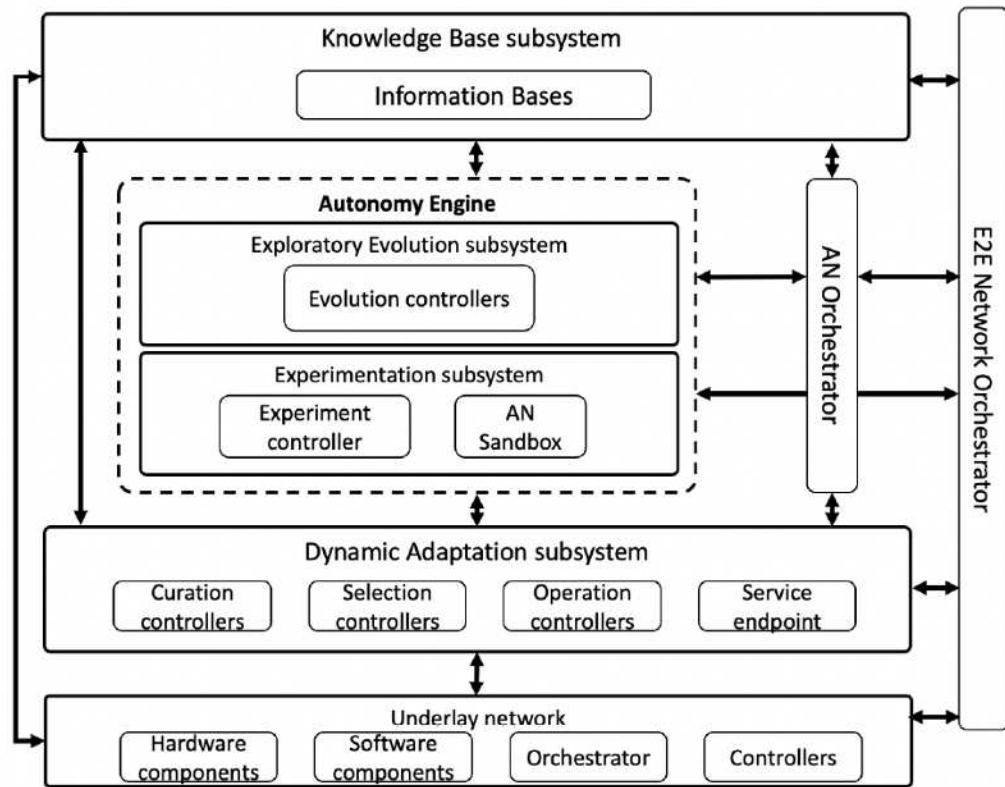
Future

- ◆ Participants in one party can enjoy one virtual space.
- ◆ To do this, Coordinated AN provides functions to share the simultaneous scenes to all remote participants
- ◆ Multiple video sources are available in one party.

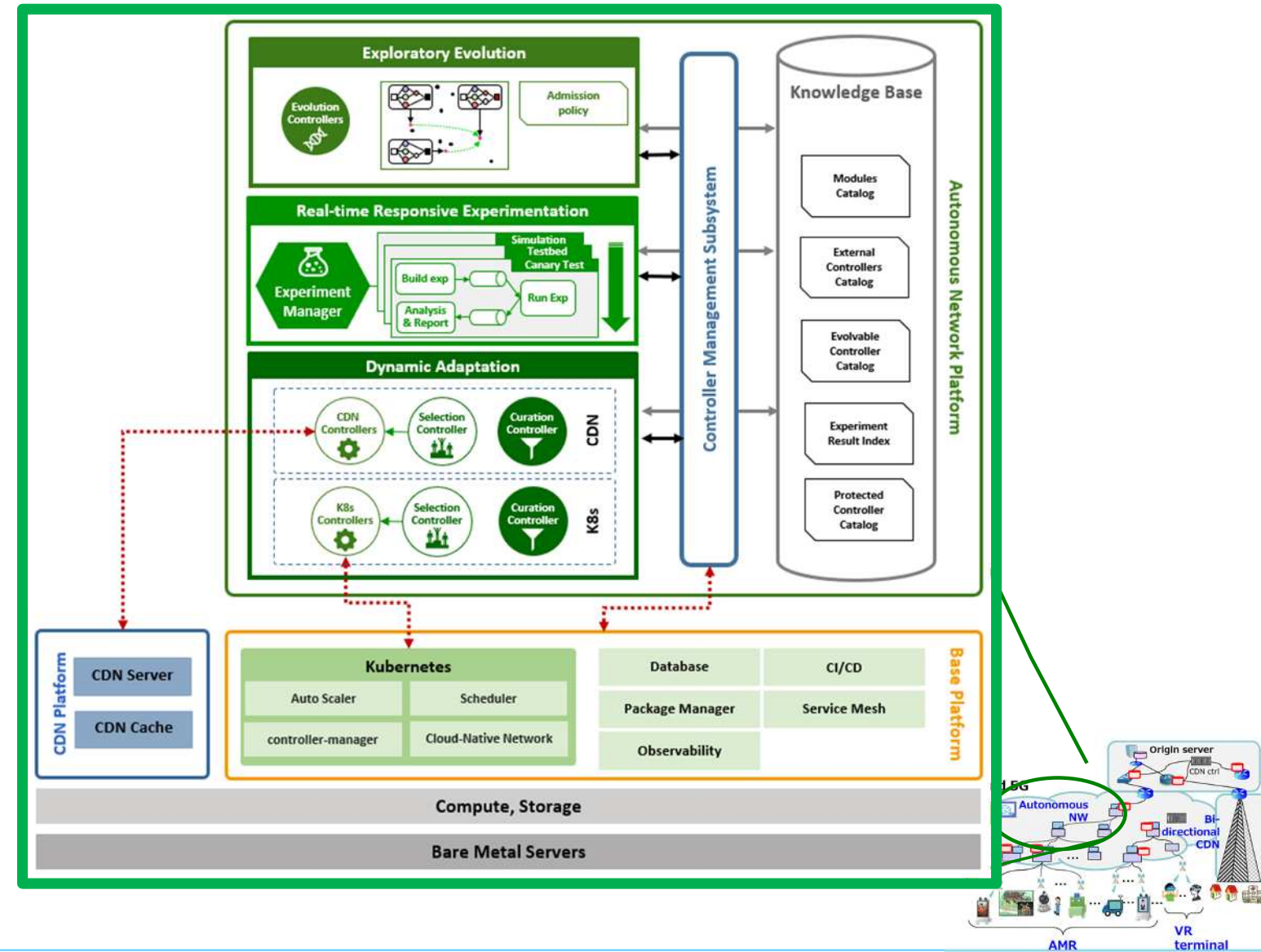


Autonomous Network Platform

- Based on ITU-T FG-AN Technical Specification: Architecture Framework for Autonomous Networks.
- Through this research project, the details will be implemented and evaluated.



Source:
 ITU-T FG-AN Technical Specification: Architecture Framework for Autonomous Networks
<https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/focusgroups/an/Documents/Architecture-AN.pdf>

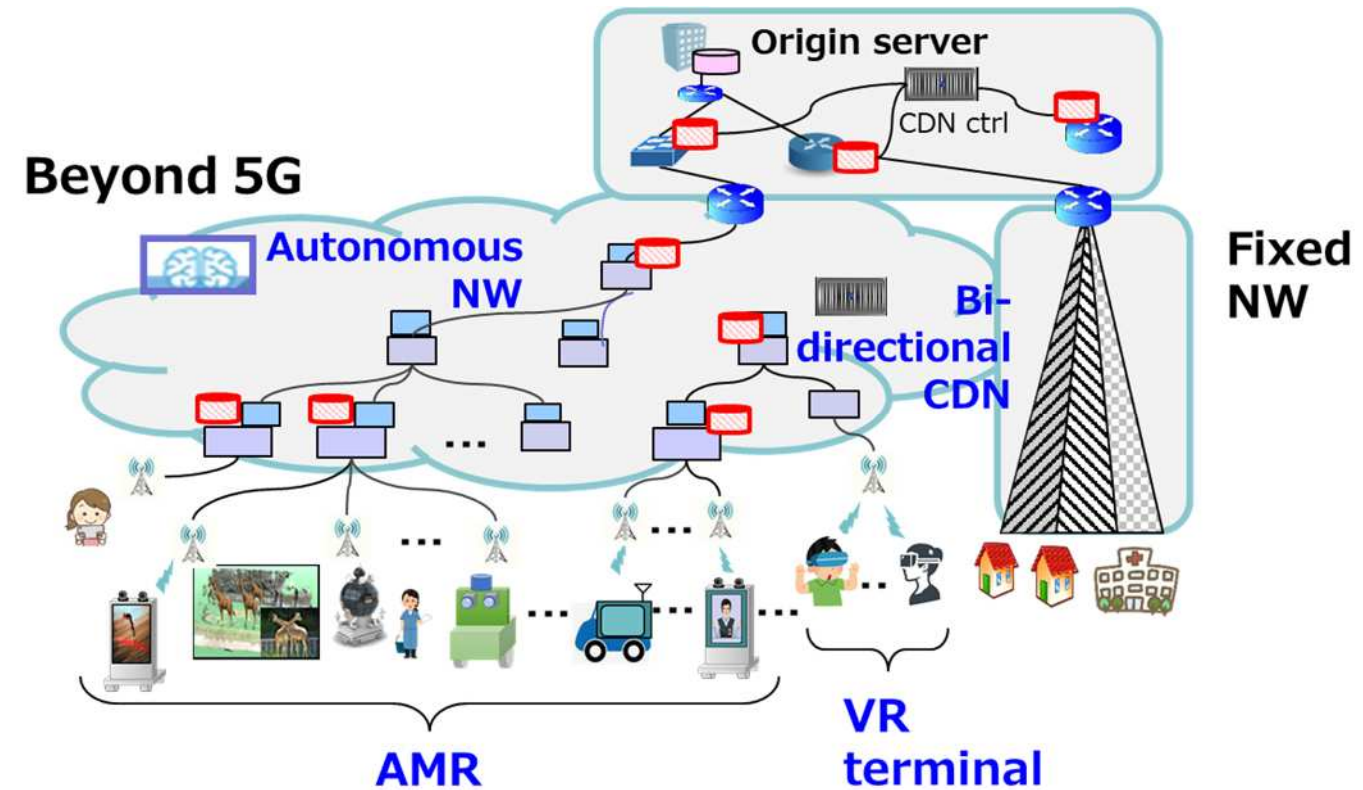


Bi-directional CDN(*)

- It communicates with AN and compensate AN limit by application layer information
- It will store contents not only from origin in Internet but also from video in AMR.
- It provides short cut path to B5G mobile network users and provide synchronized communication even over heterogeneous networks

Bi-directional CDN

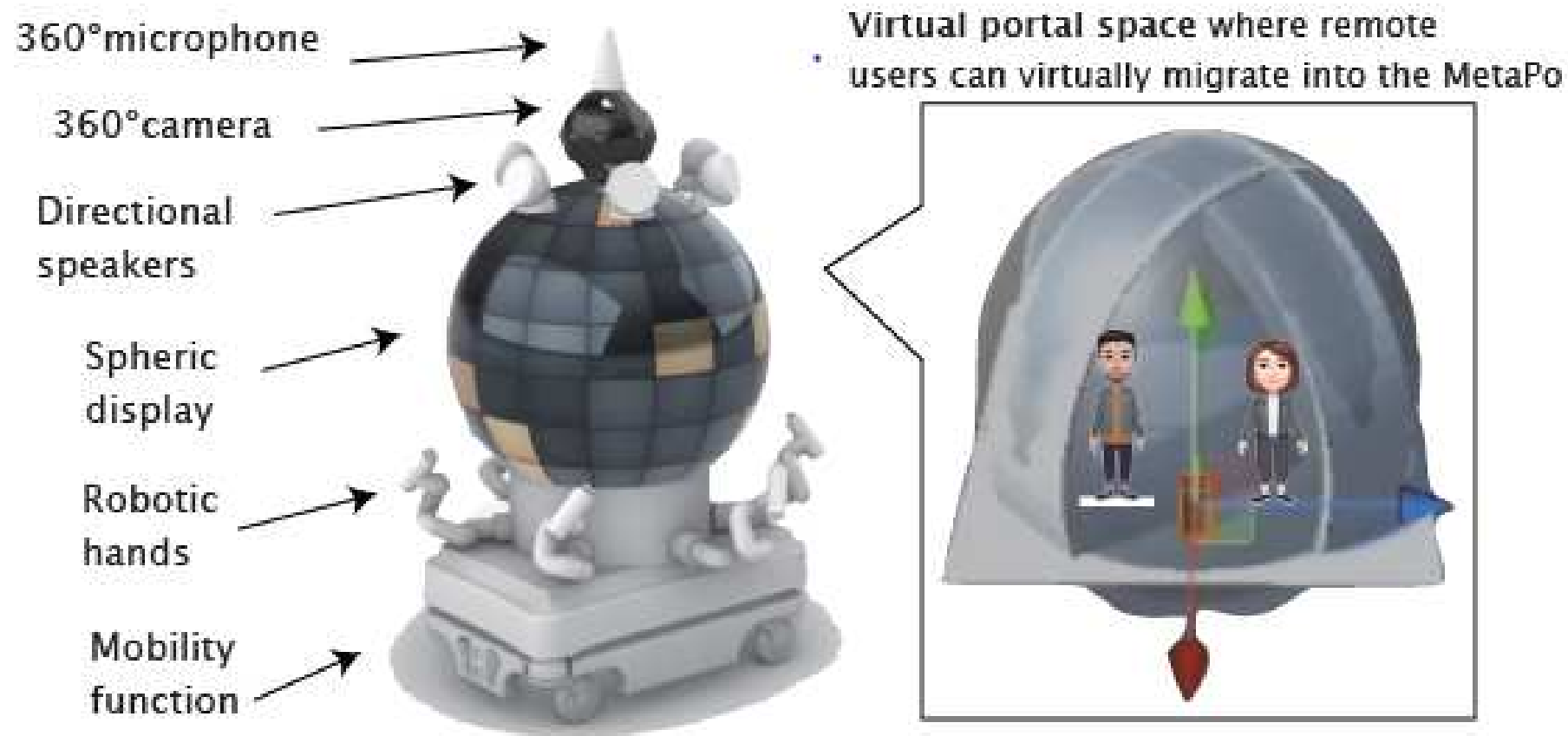
- = Video service platform in B5G era
- = Cache server control,
+ delay management for synchronized comm.
+ video transcoding for old terminals,
+ AN communication..



(*) Hideki Yamamoto, et.al., "Study on enabling video services with the use of an autonomous mobility robot connected to an autonomous network", IEICE Technical Report IN2022-32(2022-09) (in Japanese)

Autonomous Mobile Robot as Metaverse terminal: MetaPo(*)

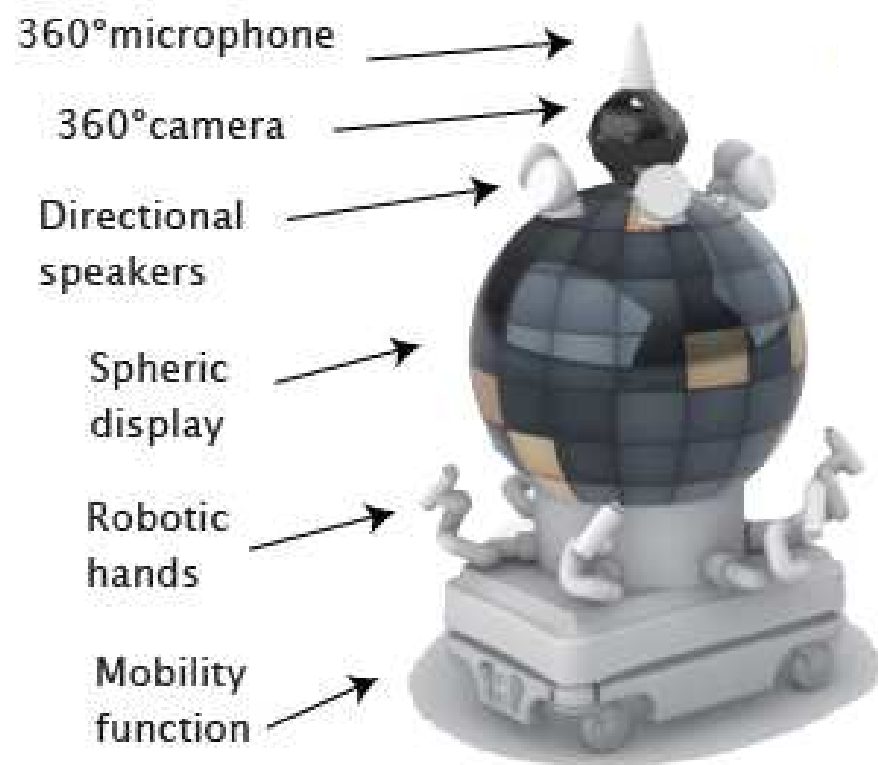
- MetaPo is a portal that connects distributed physical and cyber spaces.
- Four-wheel, 360° camera, spherical display, microphone, directional speakers, and robotic hands.
- Virtual portal space for remote users to virtually migrate into the MetaPo.



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MetaPo: A Robotic Meta Portal for Interspace Communication (*)

- MetaPo is designed to work as a portal that connects distributed physical and cyber spaces



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Autonomous Mobile Robot as Metaverse terminal MetaPo(*)

- Mixed link and immersive link are provided by MetaPo.

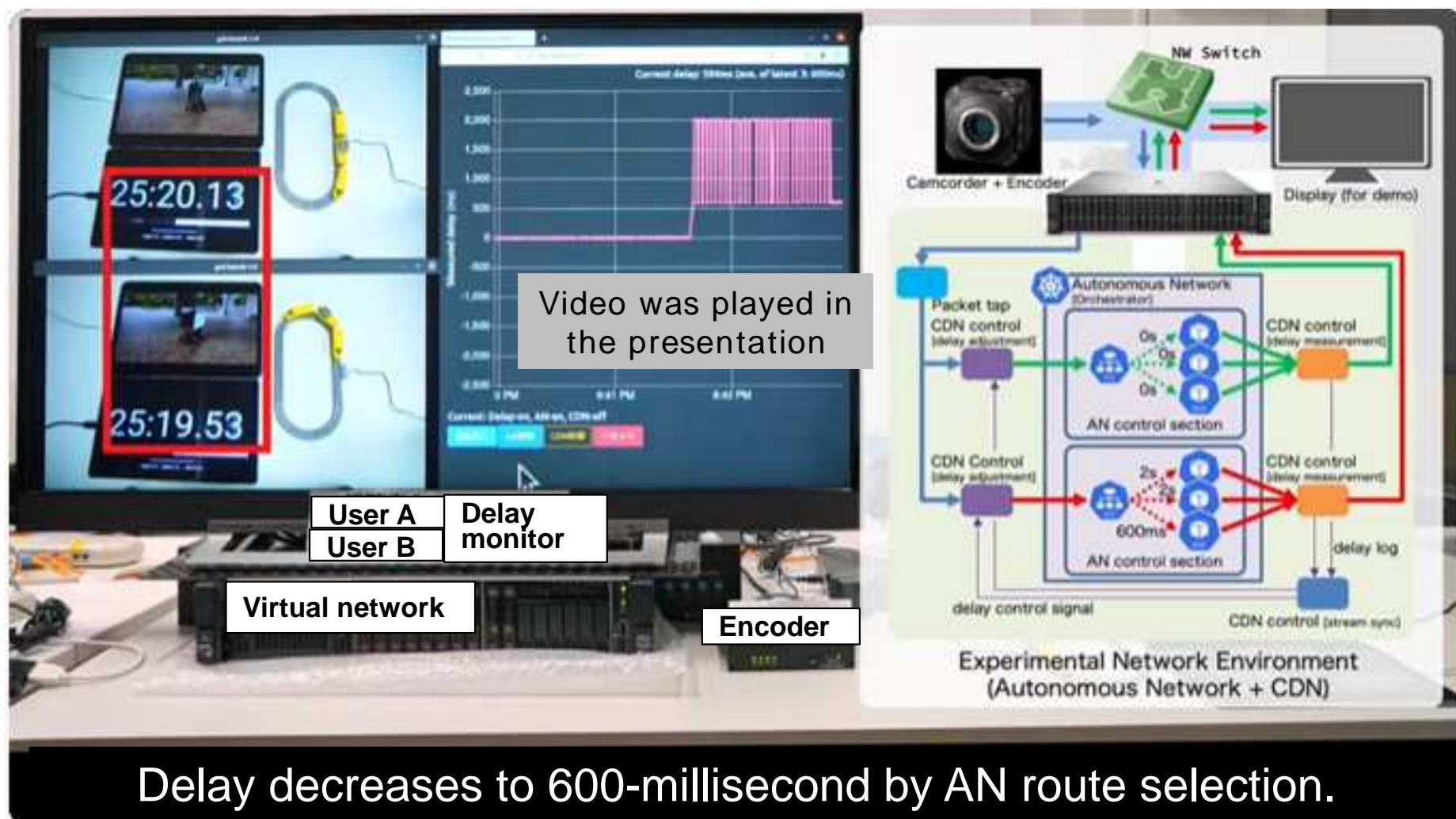


- ◆ **Mixed Link** connects remote spaces by treating them as equal. Users in each space can communicate with users in another space using the panoramic audiovisual media
- ◆ **Immersive link** means that MetaPo platform provides additional "warp" mode.

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Co-ordinated autonomous network – prelude implementation

- PoC shows linkage between AN and CDN to synchronize videos in two remote terminals.
- PoC AN platform objective to find best suitable route for B5G service
- Achieved through finding combination of different weighted metrics modules and experimenting on these combinations



Standardization from Coordinated autonomous network research outputs

- To implement the research output in the real world around 2030, we study what to standardize.
- We started to propose new work items in SG13 (*1) , SG16 (*2) and ASTAP.
- Some coordinated autonomous network service will be metaverse use-cases.
- We add to submit contributions if a standardization group (FG-metaverse) will be established in ITU-T.

AMR as Multimedia terminals



Use case and architecture of AN



Gap analysis to coordinated AN



(*1) [ITU-T SG13 RGM-C209] Proposed updates to the base text of a new work item "Architecture framework for Autonomous Networks" (Y.AN-ARCH) (Geneva, 15-25 November 2022).

(*2) [ITU-T SG16 TD46/WP1] H.AMR-ARCH "Requirements and architecture for multimedia functions for autonomous mobile robots connected with network " (New): Initial draft (Geneva, 17-28 October 2022)

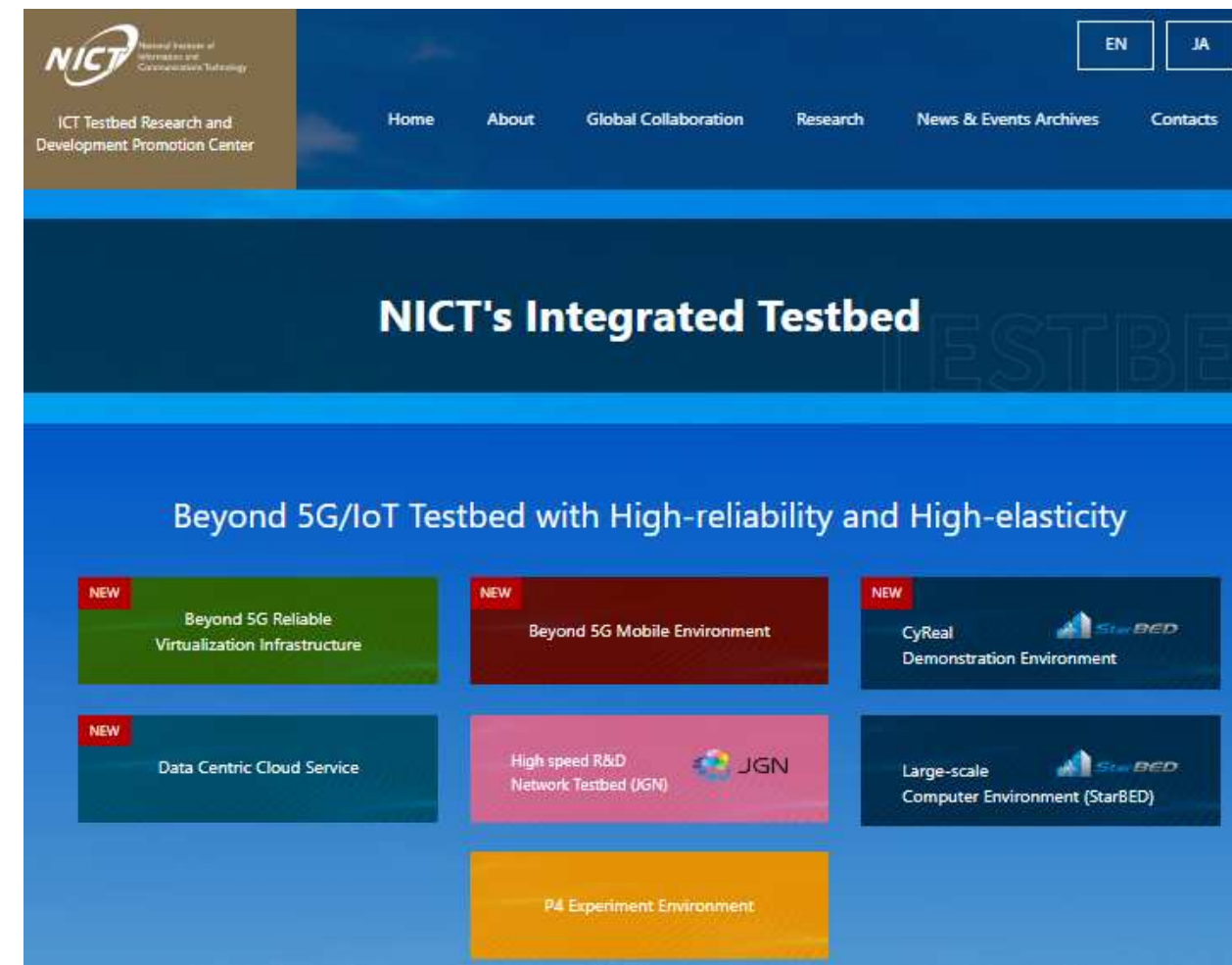
Future plan

■ Social implementation:

- ✿ **Standardization:** Requirements, architecture, functional architecture of components, APIs, testing specifications... for AN, B-CDN, Robot. (SG13, SG16, ...)
- ✿ **Finding business partners:** AN,CDN,Robot, total services.

■ Technical research:

- ✿ Each component needs further development (AN, CDN, Robot)
- ✿ Experiment in the big test bed
(NICT's integrated testbed)
towards social implementation in 2025



<https://testbed.nict.go.jp/english/>



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