Monthly update about global developments in 5G technology (16 Jun'22 - 15 Jul'22)

National Governments' Announcements

Germany

German government introduces a new strategy to promote gigabit broadband throughout the country, wherever people live, work, and travel, with targets to provide 5G connectivity and fiber-to-the-home by 2030



Macau

Macau SAR government approves much-anticipated regulations that allow for 5G network operations and licensing in the region



Spain

Spain opens public consultation with the planned award of up to €250 million in funding for 5G fiber backhaul to cover 75% of the population by 2025, to bring about universal access to ultra-fast broadband and extend the reach of 5G mobile in the nation



Indian government announces the implementation of full-fledged 5G services by March 2023, finishing the 5G spectrum auction by the end of July 2022



Thailand

Thai government begins to establish the Thailand 5G Alliance in partnership with the country's private-sector organizations to enhance the use of next-gen 5G applications in driving economic growth across multiple sectors

Telcos' Futuristic Initiatives



Ericsson plans to set foot in smartphone-use-case-focused testing and validate 5G nonterrestrial networks (5G NTN), in partnership with Qualcomm and Thales, enabling a future 5G smartphone that could use 5G connectivity anywhere on Earth



Etisalat UAE plans to introduce a new '5G Edge-in-abox solution' that would enable operators to instantly use 5G communications for smart cities, IoT, Industry 4.0, and more



Viasat secures a research award from the US Department of Defense to test 5G support to US Marine Corps operations and other command-andcontrol applications



Telia Norway plans to develop private 5G networks and VPN for Norway to be implemented next year as a part of Telia Norway's national 5G network under a new agreement with the Norwegian Defense Materiel Agency

Key News

14 JULY 2022: AUTOMOTIVE

Autotalks launches 3rd generation 5G supported chipsets for vehicle-to-everything (V2X) stack execution

- Autotalks, the Israel-based fabless semiconductor company focused on vehicle-to-everything (V2X) communications for manned and autonomous vehicles, introduced the world's first-of-itskind V2X chipsets - TEKTON3 and SECTON3 - which support 5G-V2X for collision and crash
- The world's only functional safety-certified V2X chipsets enable critical actions such as automatic braking using sensor data shared by other vehicles and consume less power and cost
- The 5G supported chipsets are capable of supporting both dedicated short-range communications (DSRC) and cellular's C-V2X based on 3GPP specifications

07 JULY 2022: HEALTHCARE

GE Healthcare opens the first 5G Innovation Lab in India to develop solutions for critical healthcare issues globally and enhance the MedTech industry

- GE HealthCare, a subsidiary of American multinational conglomerate General Electric, has set up the world's first 5G Innovation Lab in India with futuristic infrastructure and a private 5G network for R&D
- The lab provides a cooperative ecosystem for academia, healthcare, and start-ups, enhancing the patient care continuum, transforming diagnosis, therapy, remote care, and much more
- The lab is expected to enhance 5G-enabled use cases and enter into the next generation of MedTech by developing solutions for the most crucial healthcare issues for India and the world



05 JULY 2022: AGRICULTURE

5G RuralDorset and Qualcomm have joined hands for developing 5G-enabled solutions for smart farming

- 5G RuralDorset a program led by Dorset Council and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport - and Qualcomm, the American semiconductor MNC, have extended their partnership for a new agriculture project
- The partnership intends to explore and test mmWave 5G technology for new farming solutions, including autonomous vehicles, robots, and big data analytics
- The new farming solutions trials will utilize Qualcomm's latest microchips in tandem with a 26GHz spectrum, which would allow for 'per plant' farming, with autonomous robots gathering information on individual plants and taking automatic action to improve crop health and yield

✓ 04 JULY 2022: HEALTHCARE

Virgin Media O2 and South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust have come together to establish UK's first 5G-enabled hospital

- Virgin Media O2, a mass media, and telecom company based in London plans to establish the first 5G hospital in the UK with South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust
- The hospital infrastructure would be connected with a 5G network, IoT and AI all across and will provide connectivity for crucial digital health use cases for clinicians and patients in the trust
- Virgin Media O2 intends to expand the rollout of wireless and smart hospital connectivity across the NHS estate over the next 3-5 years

30 JUNE 2022: METALS AND MINING

Zijin Mining Group partners with MTN and Huawei to establish its first smart metal mine enabled by 5G technology

- Subsidiaries of Zijin Mining Group, a China-based mining MNC, South Africa Zijin Platinum and Nkwe Platinum, have joined forces with telecom company MTN and tech group Huawei to build a 5G wireless technology-enabled platinum mine
- The Zijin Garatau platinum mine would be Zijin Mining Group's first high-tech overseas smart mine, which will transform the old mining processes using MTN's 5G connectivity and technology
- The new mine would be Southern Africa's first 5G-enabled smart metal mine

23 JUNE 2022: LOGISTICS

China's Qingdao Port becomes the first hydrogen-powered, 5G enabled port in the world and the first fully automated container terminal in Asia

- Qingdao Port in China becomes the world's first smart ecological terminal powered by 'hydrogen + 5G', which claims to reduce carbon emissions by 3.5 kg and sulfur dioxide emissions by 0.11
- The port is equipped with innovative futuristic technologies, extensive automation and high loading and offloading efficiency
- The port is also the first fully automated container terminal in Asia with a productivity of 36.2 containers per ship per hour on average, with hydrogen-powered crane technology

22 JUNE 2022: IT

Aetina and Fibocom come together to build an AloT world by bringing 5G capacities to multiple tech-based application areas

- Fibocom, provider of IoT wireless solutions and wireless communication modules, and Aetina, provider of high-performance GPGPU and Jetson AI edge computing, have joined hands to bring 5G connectivity and edge AI capacity for robotics, drone, industrial inspection, etc.
- The collaboration focuses on high-speed, ultra-reliable, and low-latency 5G capacities, supported by Fibocom's 5G R16-compliant module FM160-EAU and Aetna's AN810-XNX AI edge computing platform, to assist developers to expand their systems communication ability, I/O connectivity flexibly and quickly
- The partnership intends to meet the growing demand for developing reliable AI platforms with real-time connectivity at the edge

17 JUNE 2022: AUTOMOTIVE, MANUFACTURING

Hyundai aligns with SingTel to establish a 5G enabled Hyundai Motor Group Innovation Centre in Singapore (HMGICS) for EVs, AVs, and other mobility products

- Hyundai Motor Group, the South Korean multinational automotive manufacturer, has entered into an agreement with SingTel, the Singapore-based telecom conglomerate, to deploy 5G infrastructure network solutions at its Hyundai Motor Group Innovation Centre (HMGICS) in Singapore
- The telco will supply a 5G campus network replete with mobile edge core solutions to Hyundai for the development of a metaverse for the manufacturing industry
- The facility is claimed to be the first of its kind in the world, worth \$40 million, that will also produce electric cars, and is expected to be operational by end of 2022