

Beyond 5G International Conference

NEC's Vision and Activities for Beyond 5G

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Life

Bringing people together and filling each day with inspiration

Society

Nurturing prosperous cities with inclusive and harmonious societies
Creating sustainable societies by shaping new industries and workstyles
Sharing hopes that transcend time, space, and generational boundaries

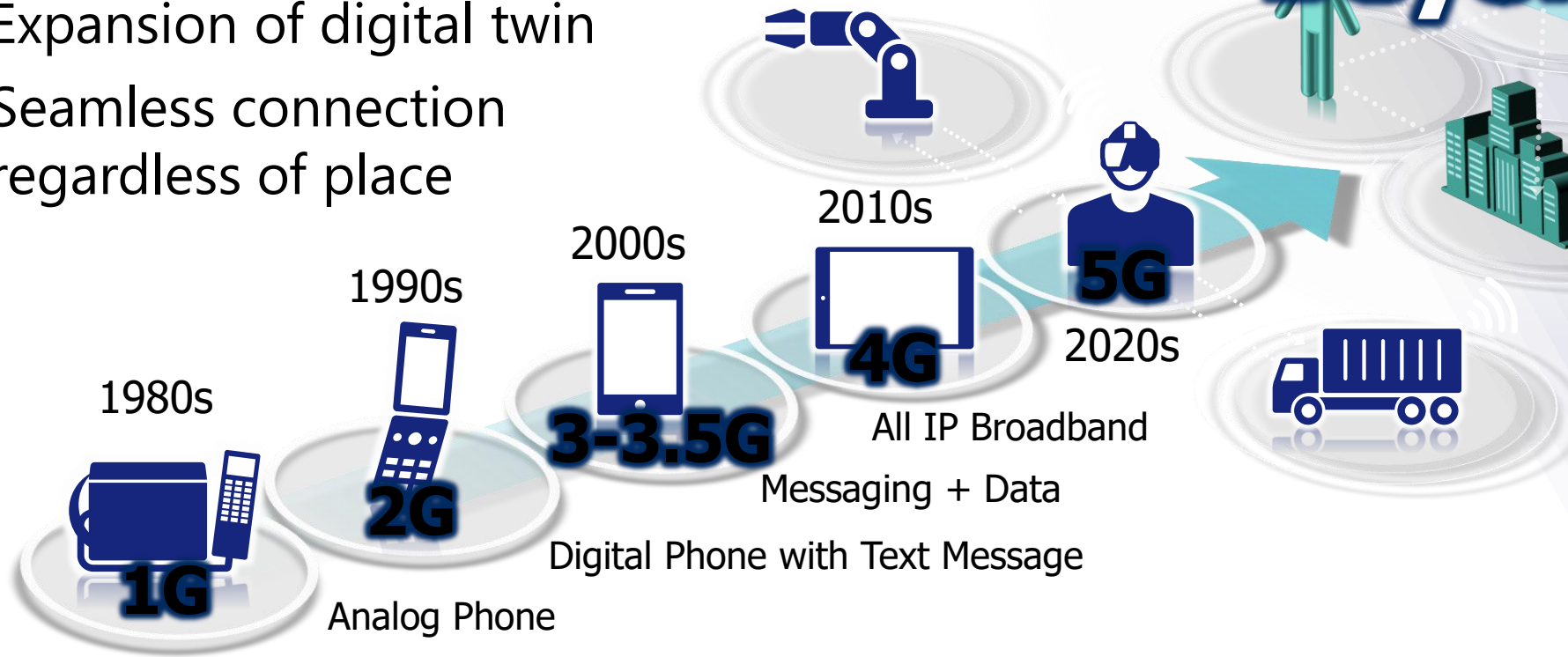
Environment

Living harmoniously with the earth to secure the future

What is Beyond 5G/6G ?

The world in 2030

- Hyperreal communications transcending time and space
- Expansion of digital twin
- Seamless connection regardless of place



Beyond 5G/6G

Tele-X Society Beyond "Human / Space / Time"

The world of new communication in Beyond 5G/6G era

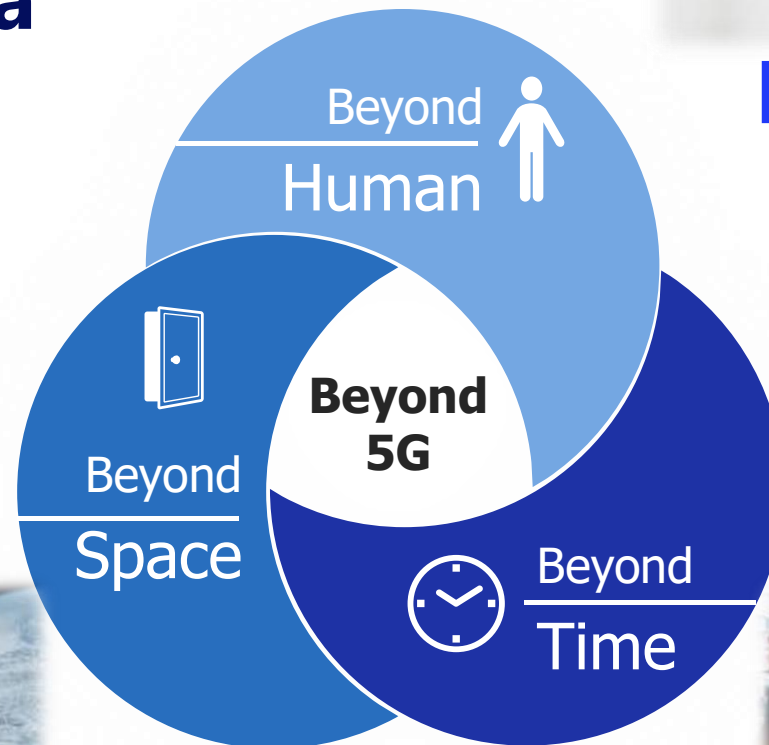


「Beyond Human」

Unleashing human potential over the limitation

「Beyond Space」

From sea to space
Beyond real and virtual



「Beyond Time」

Grasp the future and trace back the past



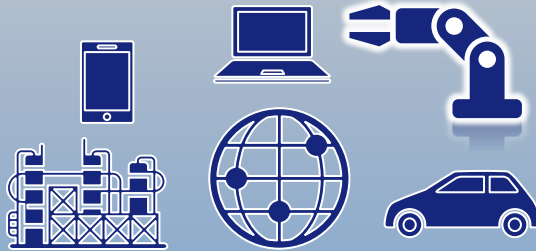
Changes of market value in the Beyond 5G world

5G era

Mainly for industrial expansion

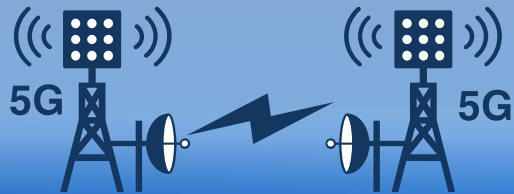


Digital transformation(DX)
Corporate activities and
urban issues resolved



High speed
connection of
people/ things

Network connection with
high speed/ low latency/ massive connectivity



Beyond 5G/6G era

Further evolution of human and society



New-normal/ workstyles
Sustainable society where
everyone has the chance to
reach their full potential



Social Design through Beyond 5G collaboration

NEC aims to solve social problems for realizing Society 5.0 by Social design approach through from collaborative R&D, PoC to social implementation with broad range of stakeholders.

R&D

2021 ~

Laboratories

University, Company

**PoC, Test,
Demonstration**

2022~24

Living Lab.

Ecosystem Member

**Social
Implementation**

2025 ~

Society

Citizen, Town, Industries

Direction of wireless technology evolution

5G/5G Advanced

Beyond 5G/6G

Coverage band (Sub6,FR3)

Wide coverage by Sub6 Massive MIMO

Massive MIMO enhancement (e.g. AI based beam management)



mmW deployment (e.g. Distributed MIMO for Hot Spot/Zone)

Capacity band (mmW,SubTHz)

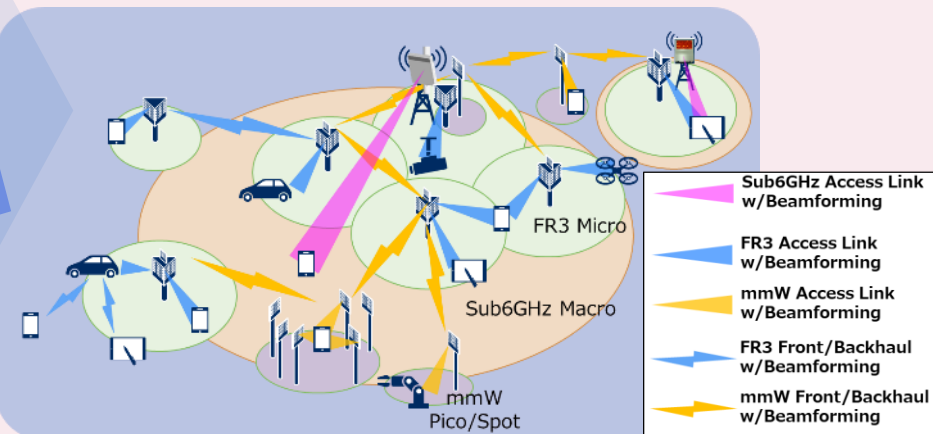
Fixed Wireless Access



CU/DU/RU

RoF

AI native and Integrated Wireless Access



Sub6/FR3/mmW Heterogeneous NW achieving both Coverage and Capacity

+

SubTHz deployment for some specific use cases (e.g. Sensing and Communication)

40GHz band distributed MIMO experiment by NTT, NTT DOCOMO and NEC

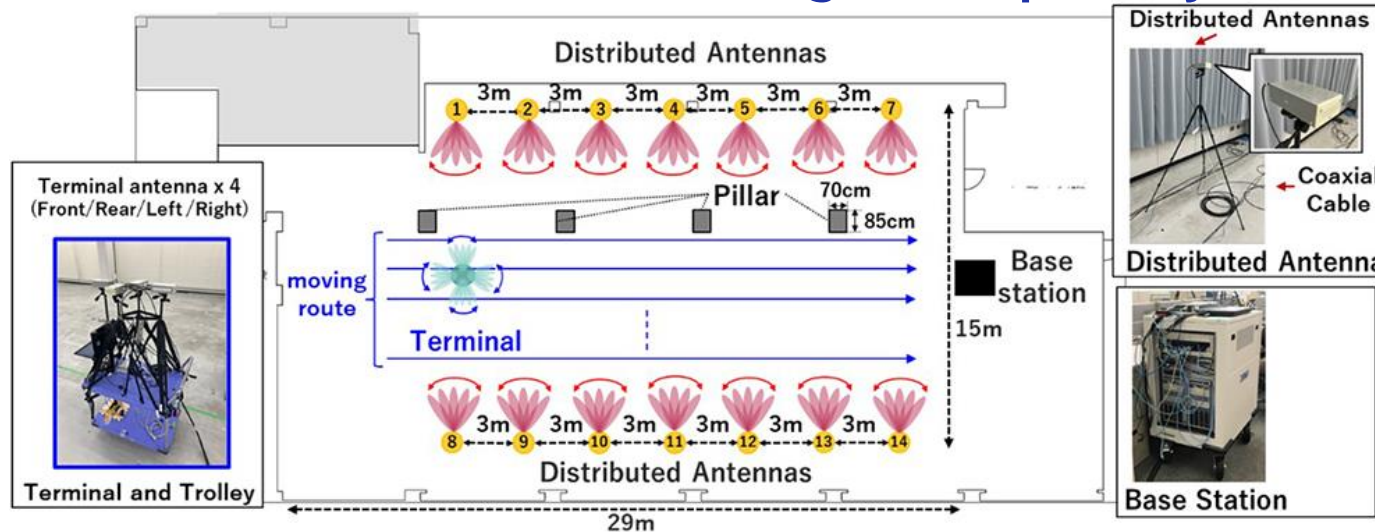
Technology 1: Multi-user transmission technology utilizing narrow beam

→ Maintains the interference suppression effect under moving and multiuser condition

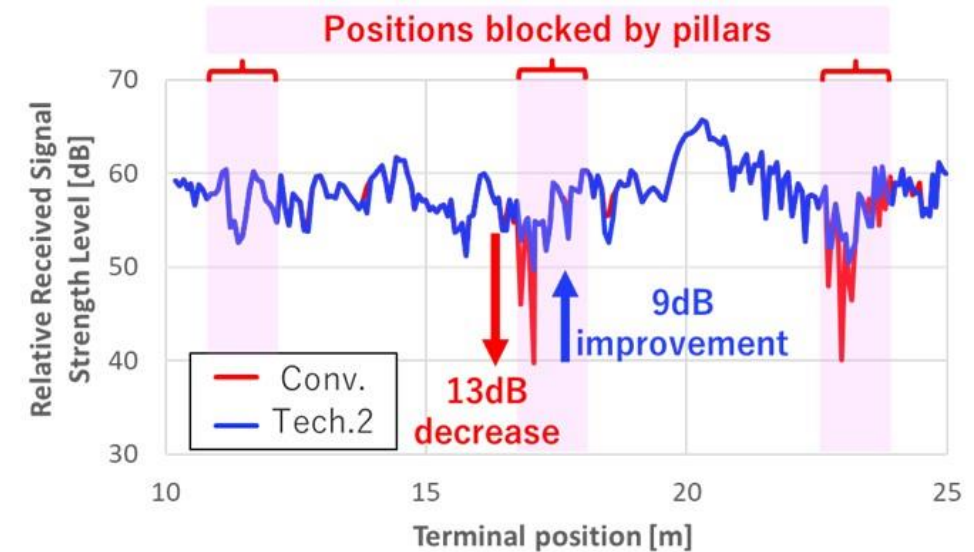
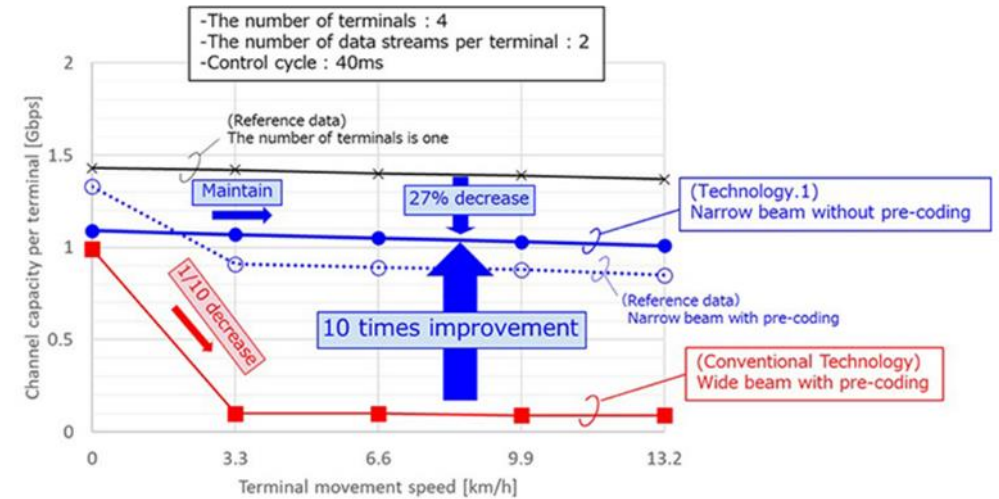
Technology 2: Antenna-beam selection technology based on terminal mobility prediction

→ Possible to avoid disconnection by obstacles under moving condition

◆ Realizes a stable, high-speed, high-capacity communication in the high-frequency band



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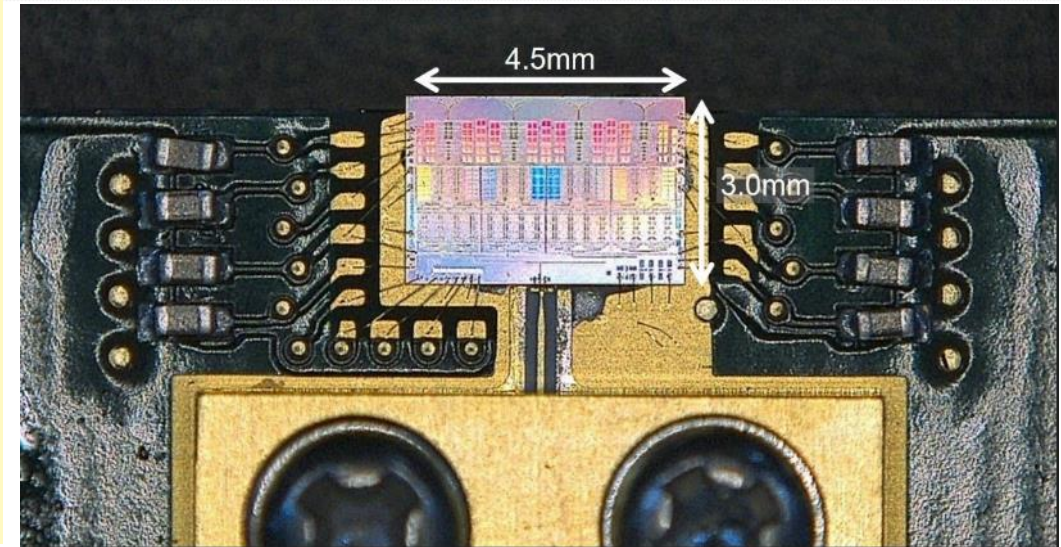


150 GHz Antenna-on-Chip transmitter IC for Beyond 5G/6G

150 GHz phased array antenna elements
+
Phase shifters
+
Transmission amplifiers



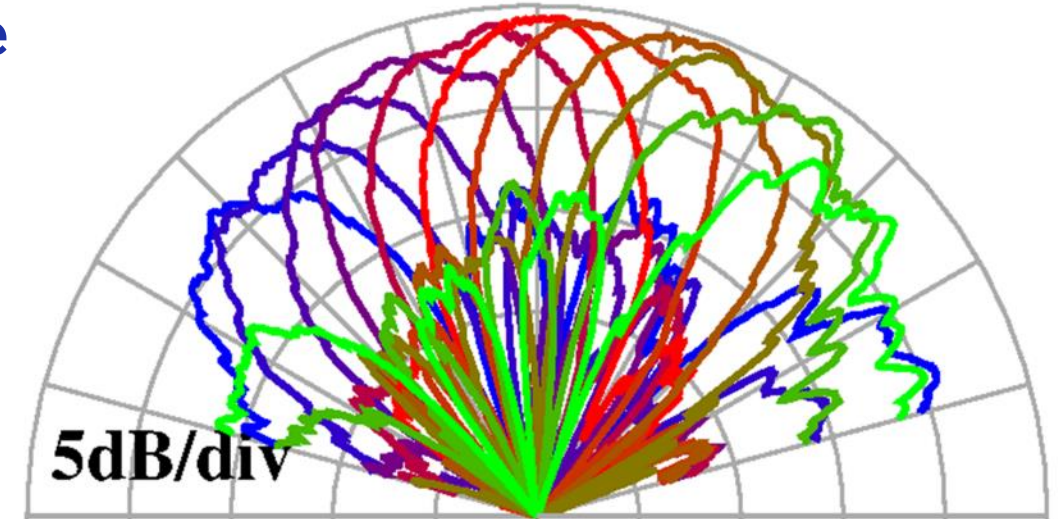
Single Chip
Antenna-on-Chip(AOC)



- ◆ Minimizes the inter connection losses in the radio equipment
- ◆ Provides a solution to realize highly directional, high-gain antenna technology and its beam steering technology

This research is supported by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications in Japan (JPJ000254).

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Measured beam steering performance of the AOC

Towards social implementation of the next generation network

Our activity = More harmony with society

as the network to become a social infrastructure

Realizing a sustainable society
having goodness of Japan

**Vision based
back cast thinking**

Starting from scratch
Thinking from how we should be in long term

**Consumer perspective
With various players**

Starting from scratch
Participation of various citizens and companies

**Verification of social acceptance
using living space**

Starting from scratch
Both from virtual and real life

**Living Lab with 6G / IOWN
to create new things from scratch**

Harmony with local nature

Environment
Live with the minimum energy needed

**Sustainable
town system**

Society
Technology getting closer
and kind to the people

**Live as you
want to be**

Life
Connected whenever wherever

Image of "Living Lab"

- ◆ Establish a **special ward**, which is a realistic social and living space that serve **as microcosms of society**, supported by cutting-edge digital infrastructure.
- ◆ Aiming **to verify and create new use cases** freely and flexibly using this ward.

Drone inspection

3D coverage

(Mobile Carrier/Satellite communication)

Mountainous area

Communications outside carrier network coverage

(NTN/Satellite communication)

Stadium

Ultra high-speed communications

(mmWave/THzWave)

Living space

Use case optimized communications

(Network slicing)

Remote control

Ultra low latency communications

(IOWN)

Logistics warehouse

Ultra Reliable communications

(Private 5G/QoE Control)

Key points of this Living Lab concept

- ✓ Implement technology by taking regional characteristics (nature, culture, history, etc.) into account
- ✓ Set up a sustainable system which allows people to keep living by utilizing local resources.
- ✓ Transform the infrastructure for living toward the realization of ideal.

"NEC Beyond 5G Research Alliance Laboratories," established by Osaka University and NEC

NEC established a "Living Lab" for the Social Implementation of "Probabilistic Digital Twins"
- First demonstration at the elderly care facility in Osaka

Osaka University※

Creation of ideal caregiving concepts

Study of methods for collecting and analyzing data in daily life

Examination of methods for predicting the emotional status of individuals

※Graduate School of Information Science & Technology,
Graduate School of Engineering,
Cybermedia Center

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Study of Digital Twins for the Beyond 5G era

Study and verification of methods for collecting and analyzing data using Digital Twins

Examining how to use Probabilistic Digital Twins to predict future outcomes



Analyzing the relationship between environmental changes and comfort, effective adjustments will be made in the real world.

Collaborate to "extend" digital technology to enrich people's heart

Beyond 5G Value Co-creative Social Collaboration Course with the University of Tokyo

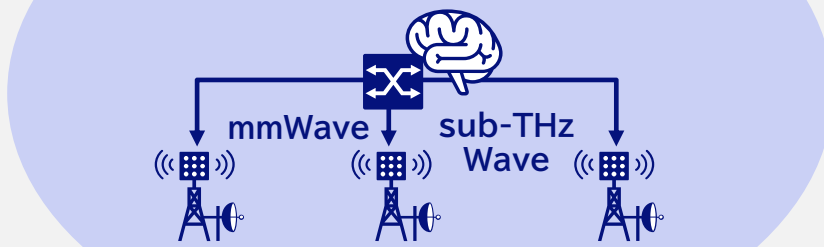
“Only now, Only here, and Only for you” communications according to conditions, locations, and needs

Realizes by taking the advantage of the nature of high frequency bands, and provides a detailed, dynamic and robust communication environment to ensure the quality of service



AR/VR

Content viewing



**“Safety and Security”
where only specific users can access**



Remote operation



Self-driving

Aiming to achieve through research and development of “Dynamic Space-Time Slicing” and “End-to-End QoE Control Technology.”

"NEC CONNECT": Open Co-creation lab using network technology

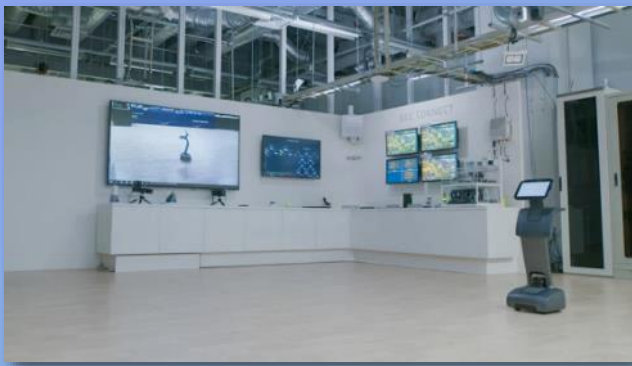
Invite partners from a wide range of industries and sectors to verify the technology and social acceptance, and steadily promote its social implementation

NEC CONNECT

Connecting
the Present
and
the Future

Connecting
people

Connecting
concept
and
implementation



NEC CONNECT 5G Lab



NEC CONNECT Lab with IOWN



NEC CONNECT Living Lab

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<Theme>

Special Issue on Open Network Technologies — Network Technologies and Advanced Solutions at the Heart of an Open and Green Society

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- Network Utilization Solutions and Supporting Technologies
- Global 5G xHaul Transport Solutions
- Toward Beyond 5G/6G



**NEC will keep challenging to realize
“the sustainable society where everyone has
the chance to reach their full potential”
with the power of innovation in the era of 5G and beyond**

\Orchestrating a brighter world

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