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AGENDA

Welcome & Introduction

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The Evolution of 5G

Evolution of Cloud, More than High-Speed Ethernet

Lifecycle Service Assurance

Sales – Playing to Win

Spirent Services – New Horizons

Financial Overview

Summary & Conclusion

Q&A



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CEO



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CFO/COO



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Doug Roberts
*GM Lifecycle
Service Assurance*



Manuel Zepeda
*EVP Global Sales
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Strategic Objectives Overview

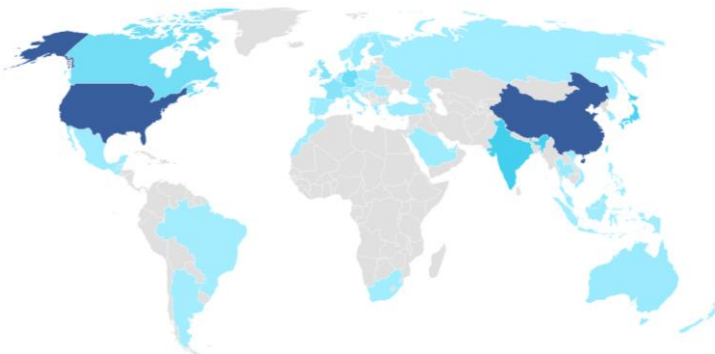


Eric Updyke,
Chief Executive Officer

WHO IS SPIRENT? WE ARE A GLOBAL LEADER IN TEST AND ASSURANCE

1,400+ employees across **20 countries** providing innovative hardware, software, and services solutions.

In a “Connected Everything” world, we supported over 1,100 customers in 53 countries in 2019.



Our solutions help our customers assure they can fulfill their promises. **Promise. Assured.**

\$504M

2019 Revenue

↗ 5.6%

2019 Revenue

73%

2019 Gross Margin

\$96.5M

2019 R&D Investment

COMPLEXITY CREATES MULTIPLE GROWTH DRIVERS FOR SPIRENT

Spirent's market-leading portfolio is well-positioned to support our customers



5G: The Game-Changer

2025: 2.6 Billion subscriptions

Extensive 5G portfolio accelerates time-to-revenue



Complex Networks + Cloud Migration

2025: Cloud migration market = \$448 Billion

Cloud and Service Assurance solutions to deploy, develop, and optimize networks



Connected Everything

2025: 41.6 Billion connected things

Leading High-Speed Ethernet and device test solutions support growing demands



Intelligent Location

2025: 286 Million more connected cars

Innovative Positioning and Location solutions help assure accuracy, integrity, and reliability



Pervasive Security Threats

2019: Average data breach cost \$3.92M

Advanced security testing platforms to fulfill the promise of secure communication

OUR AMBITION

To be the global **leader** and
trusted partner for **innovative** technology
test and assurance solutions

OUR STRATEGIC PILLARS

trusted partner



innovative



leader





Increase share
with our existing
customers

Drive solutions –
selling across the
customer lifecycle

Expand footprint
in new segments
and geographies



Increase share
with our existing
customers

Drive solutions –
selling across the
customer lifecycle

Expand footprint
in new segments
and geographies

We are solving bigger business problems
on behalf of our customers

 ~20% Key Account
YoY Sales



Increase share
with our existing
customers

Drive solutions –
selling across the
customer lifecycle

Expand footprint
in new segments
and geographies

Strong LSA growth, including
VisionWorks operational network assurance

Increasing our visibility while decreasing cyclical

Increase share
with our existing
customers

Expand further
into enterprise

Focus on largest
economies

Drive solutions –
selling across the
customer lifecycle

Expand footprint
in new segments
and geographies

5G and SD-WAN

**5G and Cloud
Service Providers**



Extend thought
leadership in key
growth trends

Grow recurring
revenue streams

Commence
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Software
% Revenue
2016

21%



28%

Software
% Revenue
2019



Innovation
For Growth

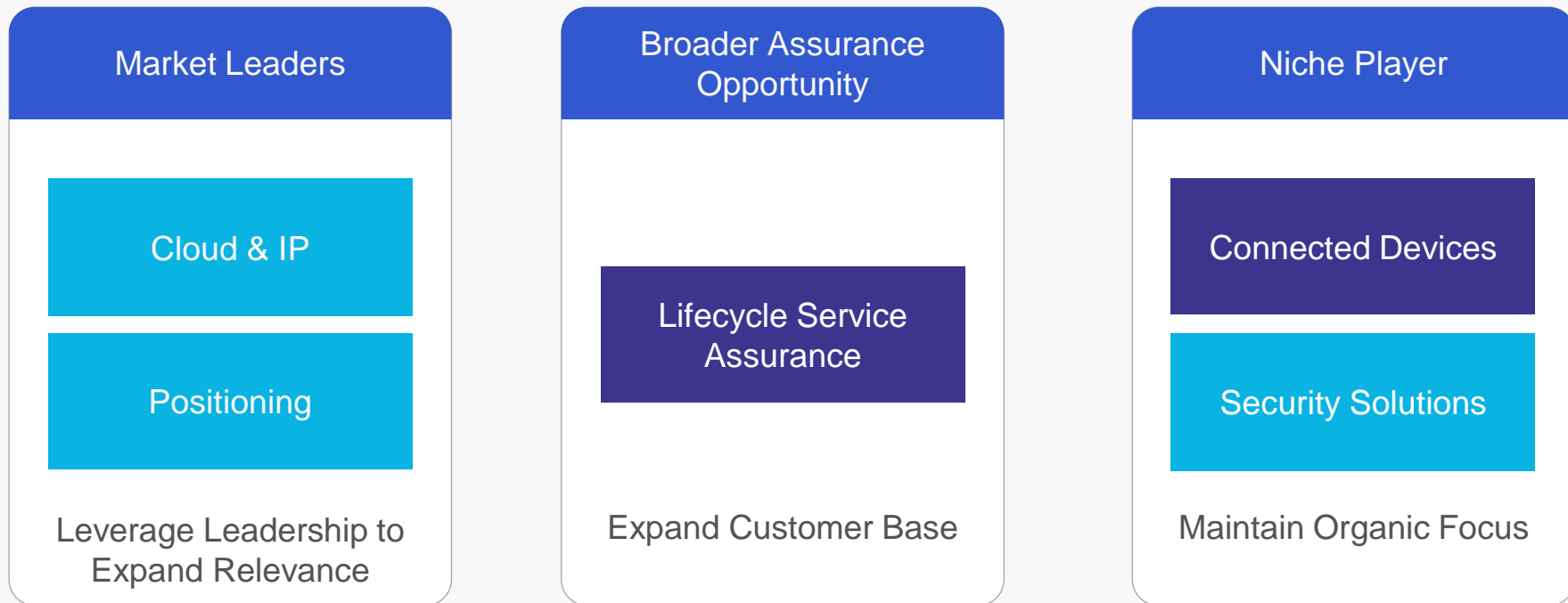
Spirent™

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OUR INVESTMENT AND M&A PLANS





Foundation for
Profitable Growth

Talent

Sustainability &
Future Positive

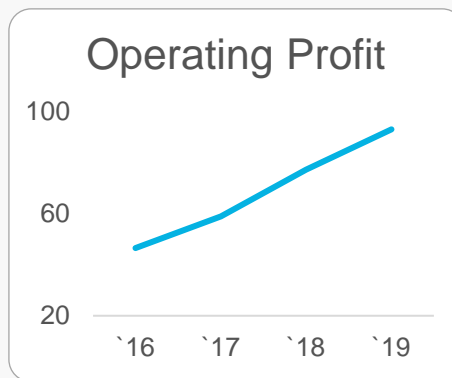
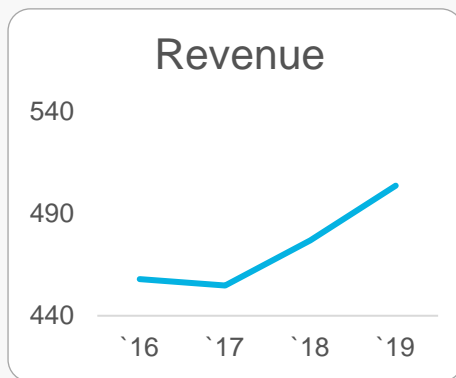


Foundation for
Profitable Growth

Talent

Sustainability &
Future Positive

Organized to support our sustainable, profitable growth.



- Refined technology portfolio
- Resilient supply chain
- Disciplined corporate development
- Focused salesforce
- Modernized marketing organization
- Cross-company services team
- Strong balance sheet



Foundation for
Profitable Growth

Talent

Sustainability &
Future Positive

20+ New Senior Leaders
since joining as CEO in April 2019



Foundation for Profitable Growth



STEM* Ambassador
Programme: helping
students develop
STEM skills

Talent



Our products improve
customer's efficiency
and can reduce utility
usage by ~90%

Sustainability & Future Positive



At Spirent facilities, we
cut greenhouse gas
emissions by 29%
since 2014 and 90% of
electricity is from
renewable sources

*STEM = science, technology, engineering and math

WELL POSITIONED TO DELIVER LONG-TERM GROWTH

Spirent Today



Products & Hardware



Service Providers and
Network Equipment
Manufacturers



Majority Lab Testing



Network Service
Assurance

**Customer
Centricity**



**Innovation
for Growth**



**Operational
Excellence**



Spirent Tomorrow



Increased Solutions,
Services, and Software



Diversified Customers



Push into Live Network



Network Service
Assurance

CYCLES IMPACTING OUR PORTFOLIO

Focused on sustainable, profitable growth to mitigate cyclicality



Wireless Technology

From 4G to 5G to 6G



High-Speed Ethernet

From 100G to 400G to 800G



Connected Devices

Mitigation Strategies



Push further into live networks



Increase recurring revenue streams



Drive services and solutions

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The Evolution of 5G



Eric Updyke,
Chief Executive Officer

THE 5G MARKET IS ACCELERATING



5G Launches

75 launches in **38** countries

>350 service providers investing¹



5G Devices

95 commercially available

>200 in development²



5G Spending

2020: **~\$9.3B** infrastructure spend

2023: **~\$25B** infrastructure spend³



5G Performance

~0.3 to **1.5Gbps** speeds today

~10Gbps in next few years⁴



5G Uptake

~64M 5G subs in China already

2.6B subs by 2025⁵

CUSTOMER CHALLENGES



5G Complexity

Steep learning curve
with new operational
processes & security risks



Time-To Market

Race to be first
impacting availability
& quality



Cost

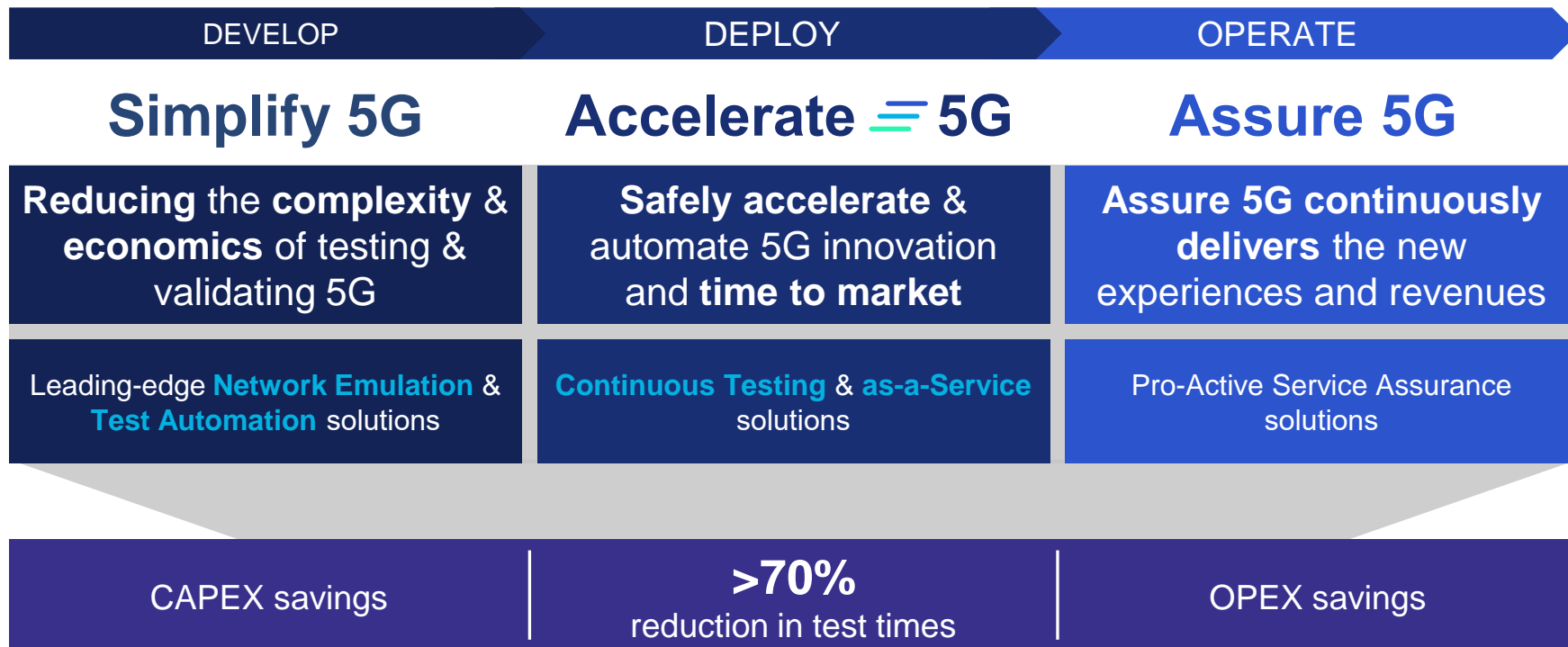
Considerable new
investment while still
spending on 4G



Business Case

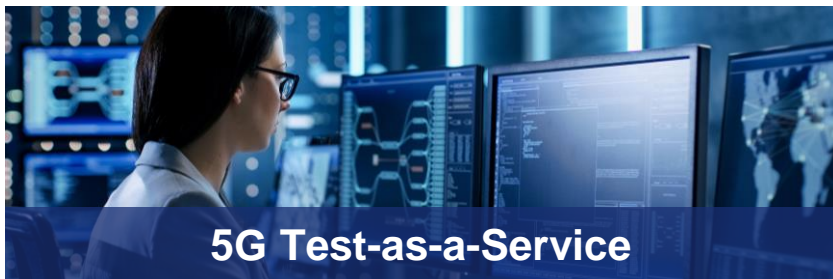
Need to move beyond
consumer market

SPIRENT'S 5G STRATEGY

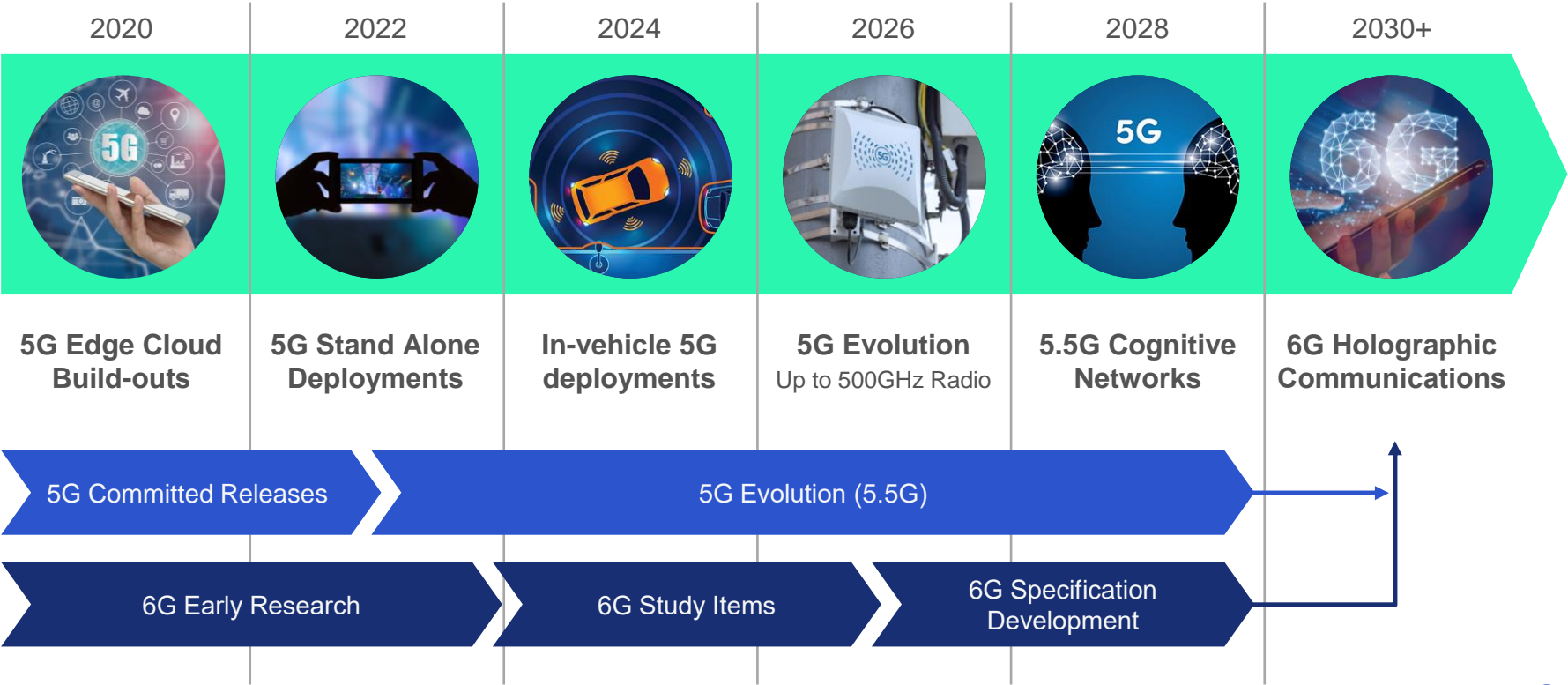


STRATEGY IN ACTION

250+ Deals in 2019 and 250+ Deals in H1 2020 Across 100+ Customers



THE 5G EVOLUTION TO 6G



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Evolution of Cloud, More than High- Speed Ethernet

Abhitesh Kastuar,
General Manager, Cloud and IP



CLOUD AND IP

Leading Test and Assurance Solutions



Our Customers



Our Value

Precision

Scale and Performance

Innovation and Expertise

Services

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Leader in High-Speed Ethernet

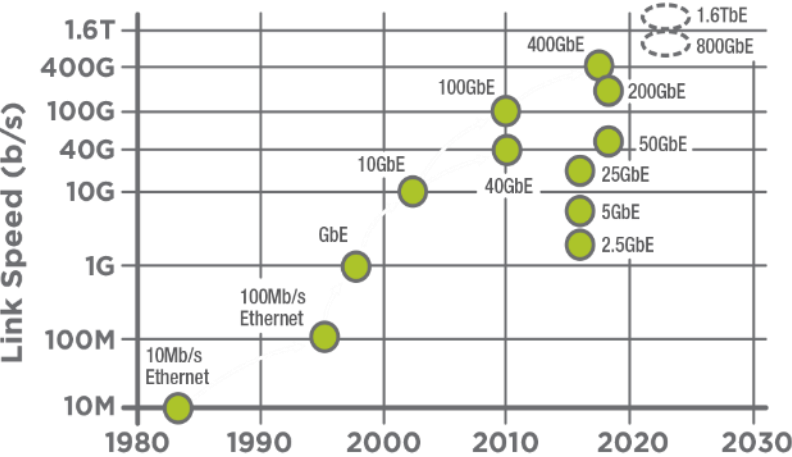


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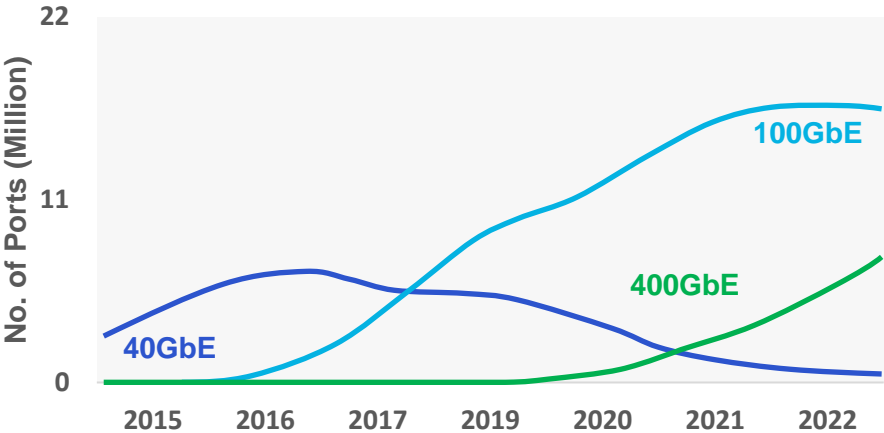
... Spirent has exhibited **leadership** capabilities in the areas of **innovative** and **high-quality product** development, as well as **strong customer services**.

Frost & Sullivan: Global GbE
Test Equipment Market, Forecast to 2022

EVOLUTION OF ETHERNET & TECHNOLOGY MATURITY CYCLE



Technology Cycle
2 Years: Inception
3-4 Years: Adoption
2 years: Saturation



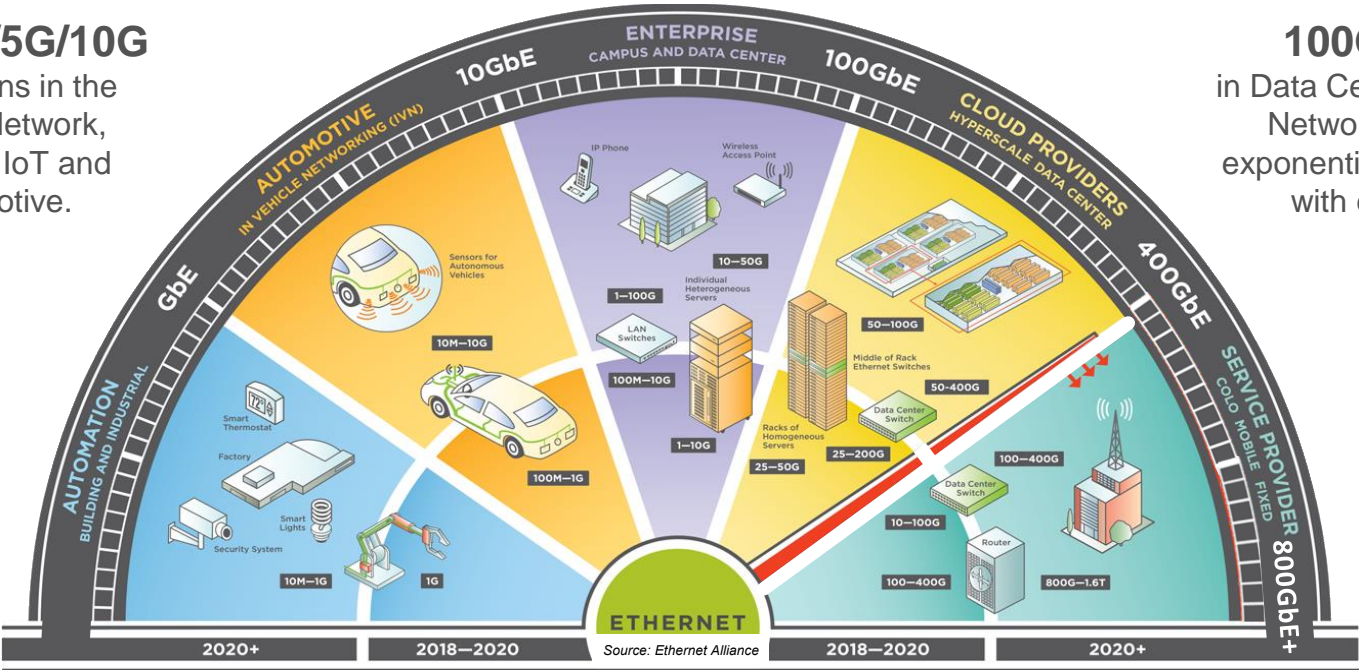
**Recent Maturity Cycle
for 40G, 100G & 400G Ethernet**

WHAT'S DRIVING HIGH-SPEED ETHERNET

10G, 25G, 40G, 50G
in various Enterprise Applications, including Data Centers and Office Inter-connects.

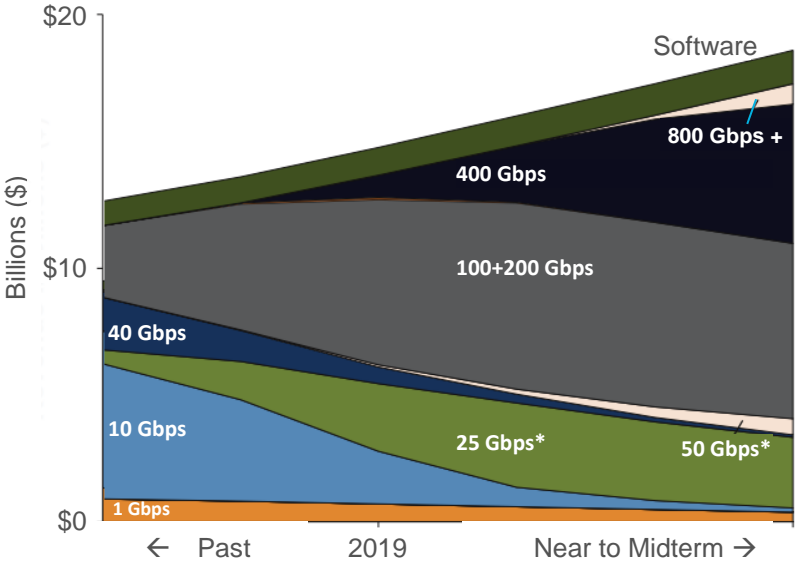
1G/2.5G/5G/10G
Applications in the Access Network, Industrial IoT and Automotive.

100G-400G
in Data Centers & Mobile Networks growing exponentially to keep up with demands.



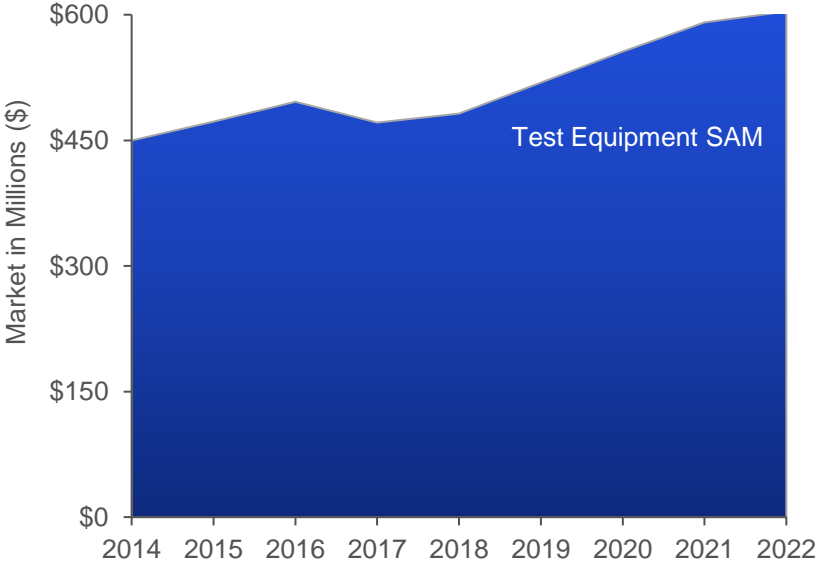
HIGH-SPEED ETHERNET MARKET TRENDS

General Ethernet Equipment Market Forecast (\$B)



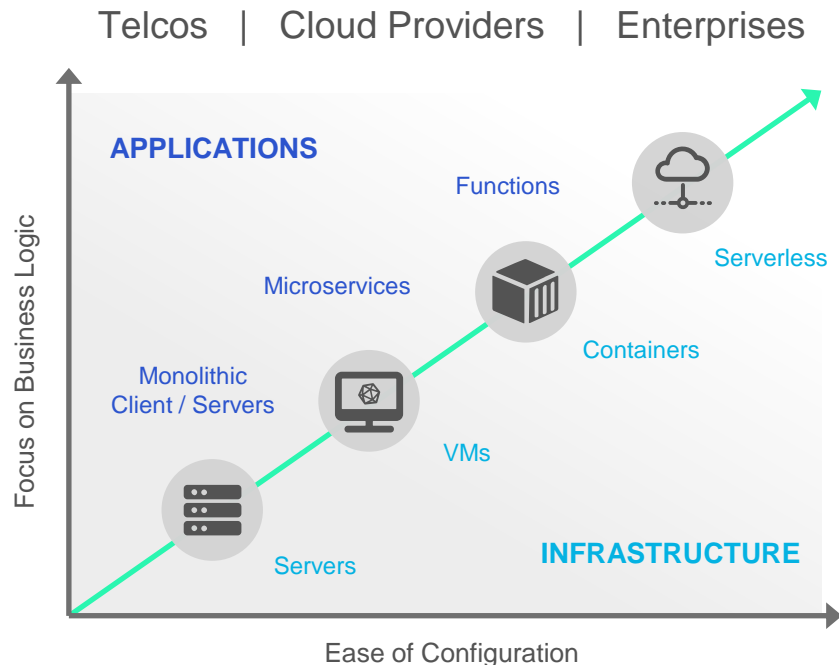
Source: 650 Group Ethernet Switch DC Forecast

Test Equipment and Spirent HSE Market Forecast (\$M)



THE CLOUD OPPORTUNITY

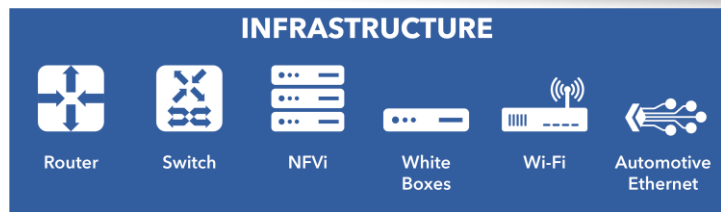
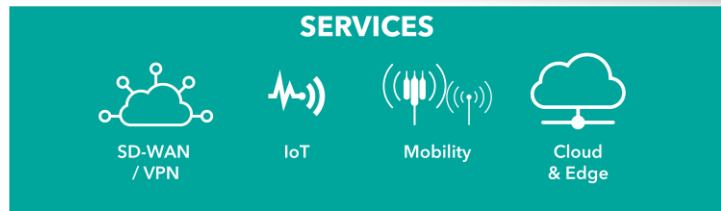
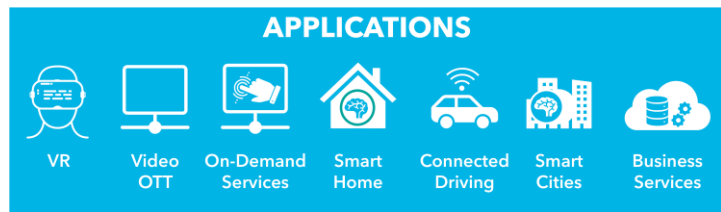
Fixed → Cloud Network Transformation



- New ways to grow **Average Revenue Per User (ARPU)** and topline for Carriers
- Faster **time-to-market** for new Enterprise and Consumer services
- Flexibility in asset cost, **CapEx / OpEx** with dynamic scale up and down

SPIRENT'S ADVANTAGE

Evolving network test to cloud assurance



Solutions

- Solve complex Design & Operational networks
- Patented high precision network & cloud analytics
- Domain experts and “as-a-Service” offerings

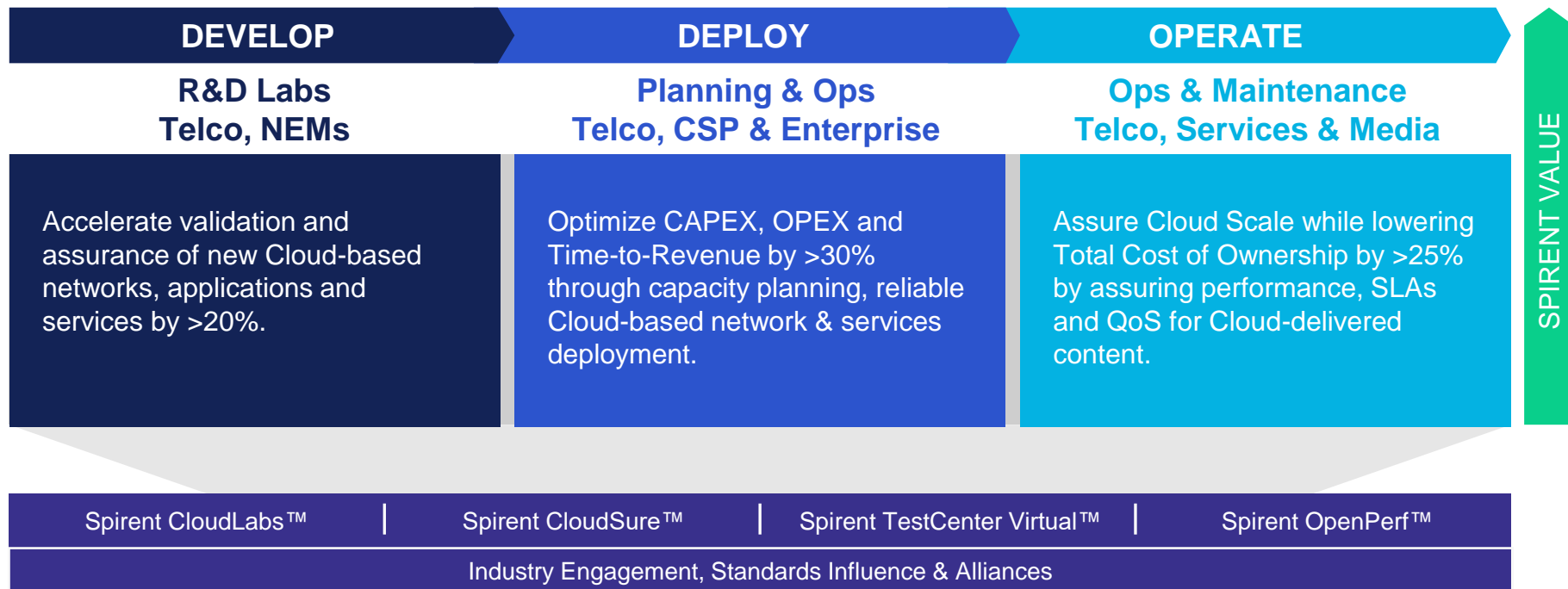
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Go To Market

- Leverage Ethernet business
- Expand target customers and develop partnerships
- Differentiated positioning

WHAT WE HELP OUR CUSTOMERS DO

Cloud target market



CASE STUDY: **EDGE CLOUD TURN-UP** AT TIER-1 TELCO

Customer Challenge

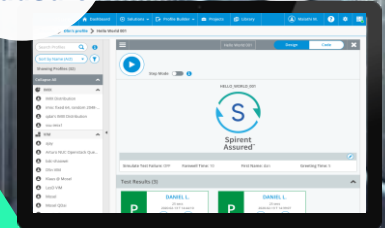
- Vendor-led, proprietary, 4G deployments taking months & proving costly
- Need a solution for Cloud turn-up in matter of days

Why Spirent?

- Comprehensive solutions to assure both Cloud & 4G/5G Mobility domains

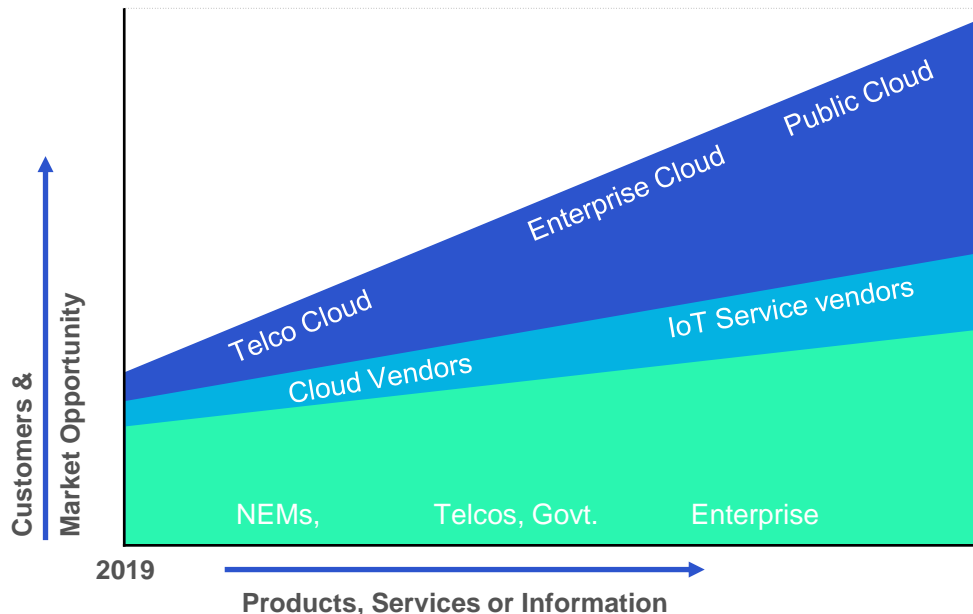
Spirent Value

- **3X improvement in TTM and revenue** for EPC, IMS services
- **Cloud Turn-up as a Service** to help improve reliability of the Cloud infrastructure
- **Value-based differentiation** that enabled Telco to compete among its peer groups



SPIRENT READINESS TO ADDRESS OPPORTUNITY

Assuring reliability, performance and robustness of services



Assuring:

- ☒ Cloud Infrastructure
- ☒ Cloud Scale
- ☒ SD-WAN
- ☒ CPE Services
- ☒ Cloud Network Services
- ☐ Video & Application Service QoS
- ☐ Cloud Fault Isolation

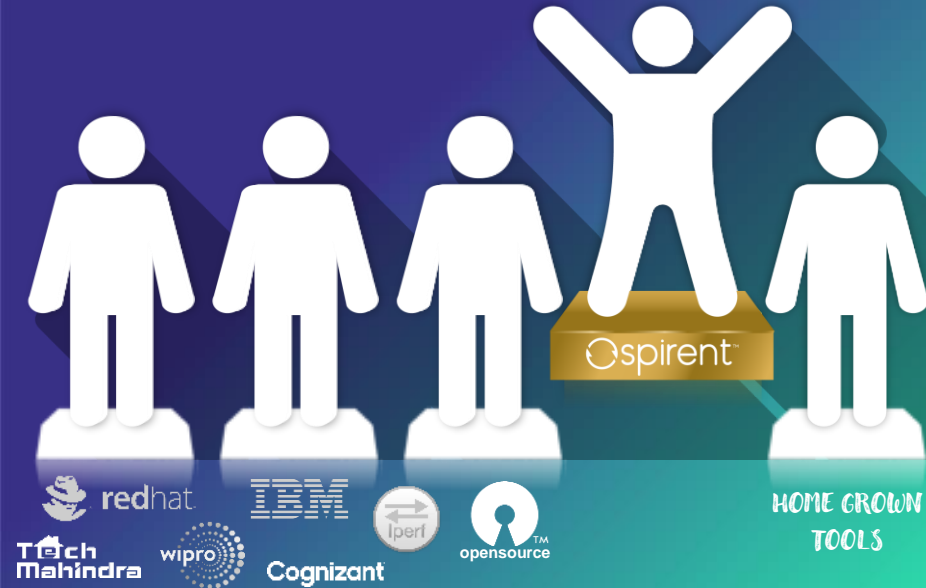
Legend:

- ☒ Available Now ☐ Coming Soon

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Why Spirent will Win.

- Only Vendor with:
 - End-to-end assurance and testing domain expertise
 - Fully-integrated vertical stack solution
 - Ability to assure all aspects of Network and Cloud (Infrastructure, Applications and Services)
- Vendor-neutral testing authority and industry leadership



KEY TAKEAWAYS



Compelling differentiators and value proposition, validated by lead customers



Well positioned with marquee wins in 2019 laying foundation



Product and Services creates a new compelling, growth vector



Mobile Edge Cloud, AR/VR, Cloud applications will sustain opportunities



Core will power Cloud as “Promised. Assured.” takes center stage

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Lifecycle Service Assurance

Driving outcomes through automation & service delivery

Doug Roberts,
General Manager, Lifecycle Service Assurance



GLOBAL RACE TO 5G

- Increased expectations for flawless, differentiated services
- Exponentially more complex *but* still need to deploy 5G in record time
- Meanwhile operational costs are under extreme pressure
- Development & Operations working together is the only path to success
- Automation is key in any 5G initiative!



Augmented &
Virtual Reality



Telematics &
Smart Grid

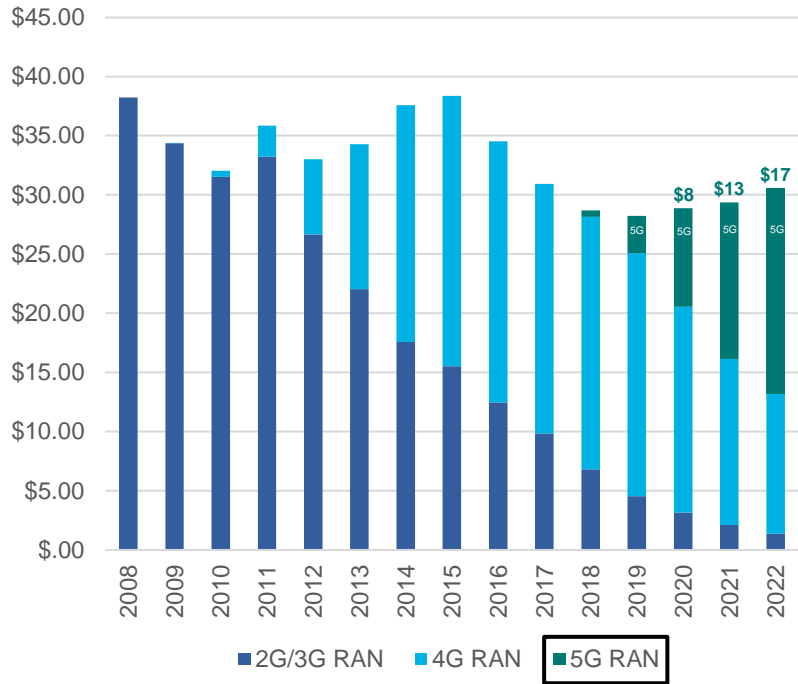
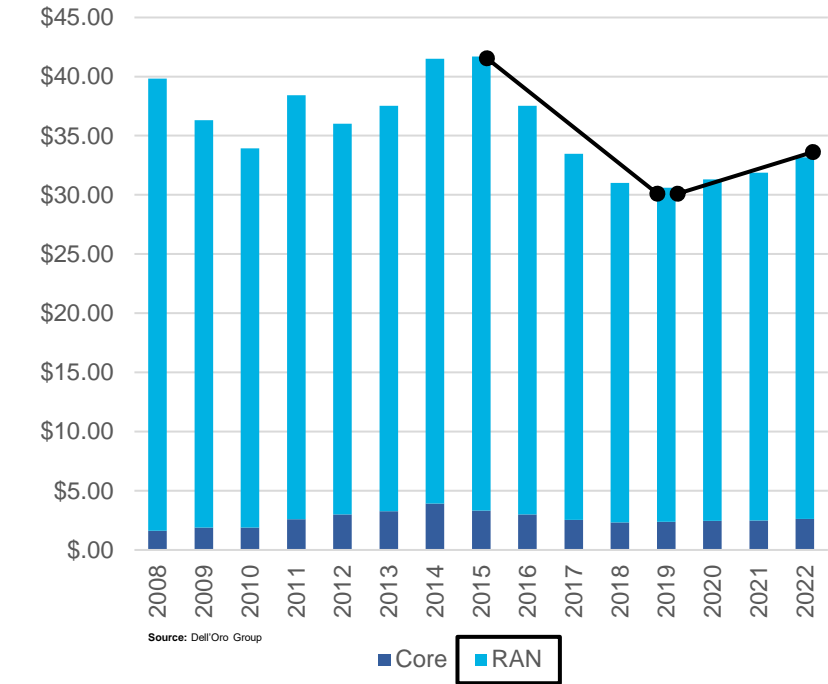


Consumer &
Industrial IoT

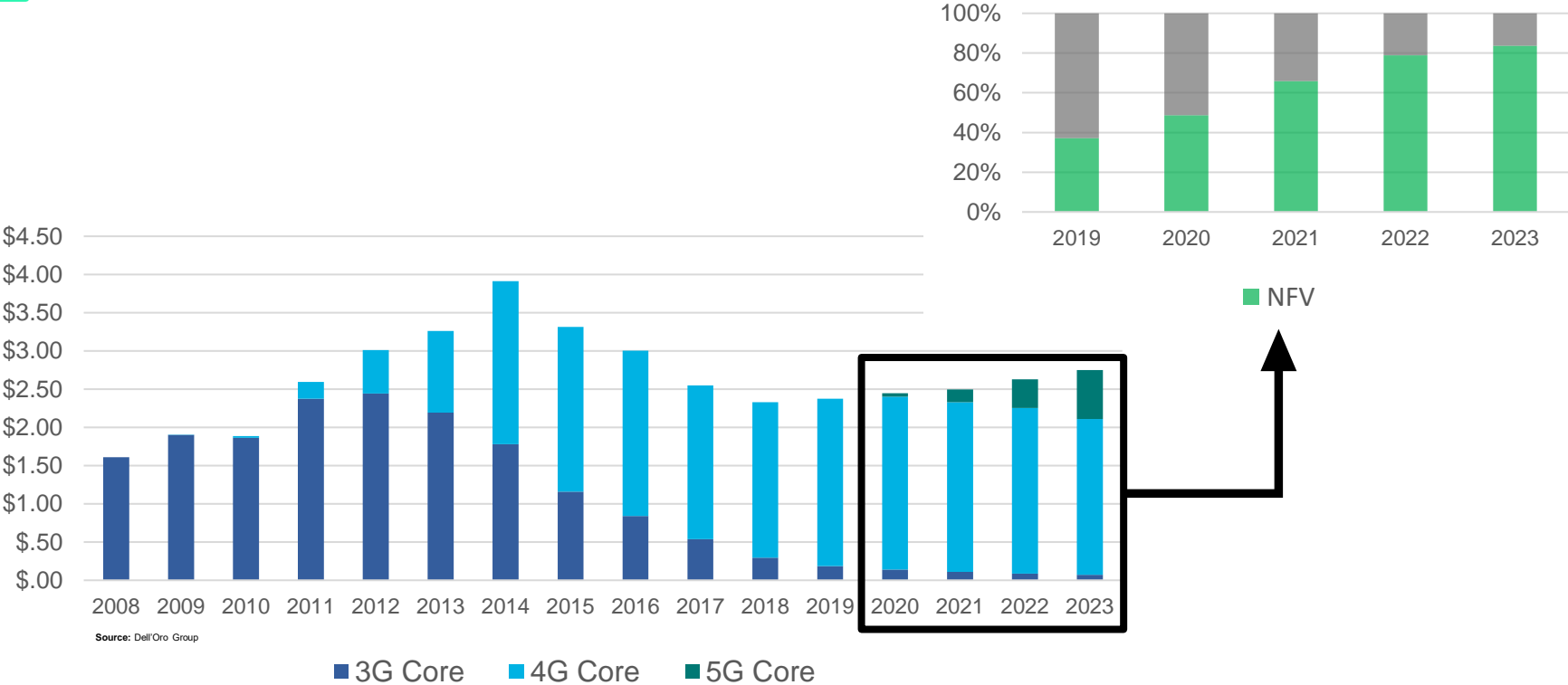


Autonomous
Vehicles & Drones

CORE AND RAN INFRASTRUCTURE CAPEX BY MOBILE NETWORK OPERATORS (\$B)



CORE NETWORK–NFV VS. NON-NFV INFRASTRUCTURE SPEND BY MOBILE NETWORK OPERATORS (\$B)



LSA CUSTOMER PROFILE

Existing

Target Examples

Lab Customers



Landslide

Live Customers



VisionWorks

Service Providers & Enterprise'



Hewlett Packard Enterprise



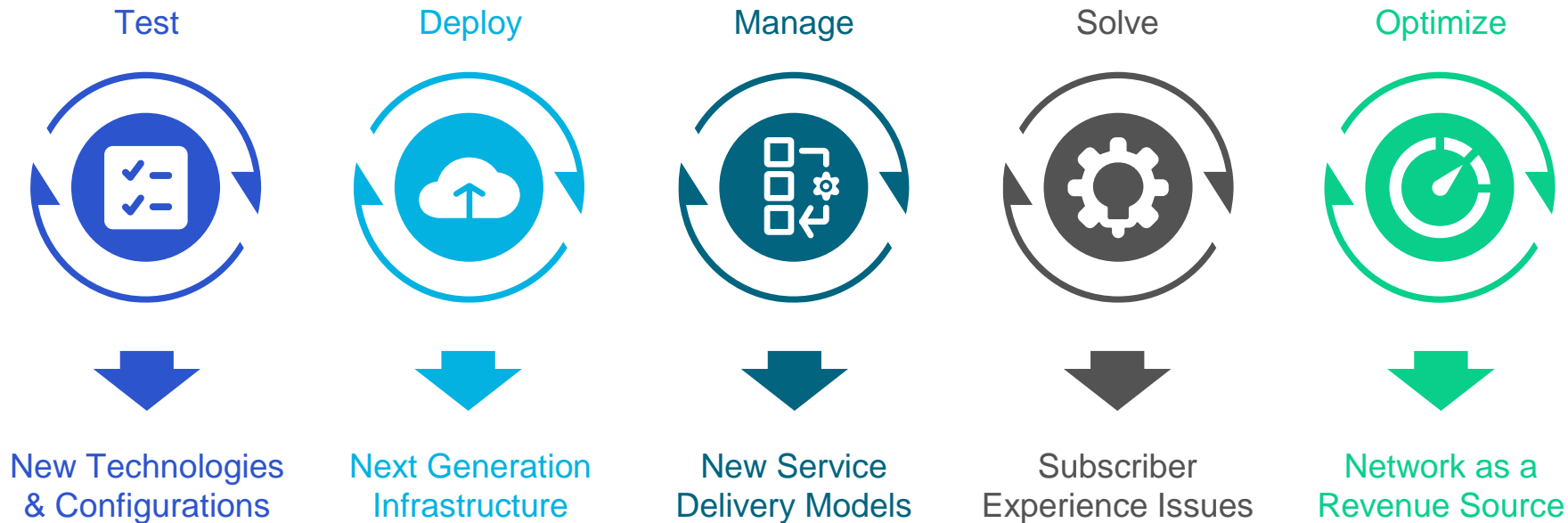
Landslide + VisionWorks

Cloud & Hyperscale Providers

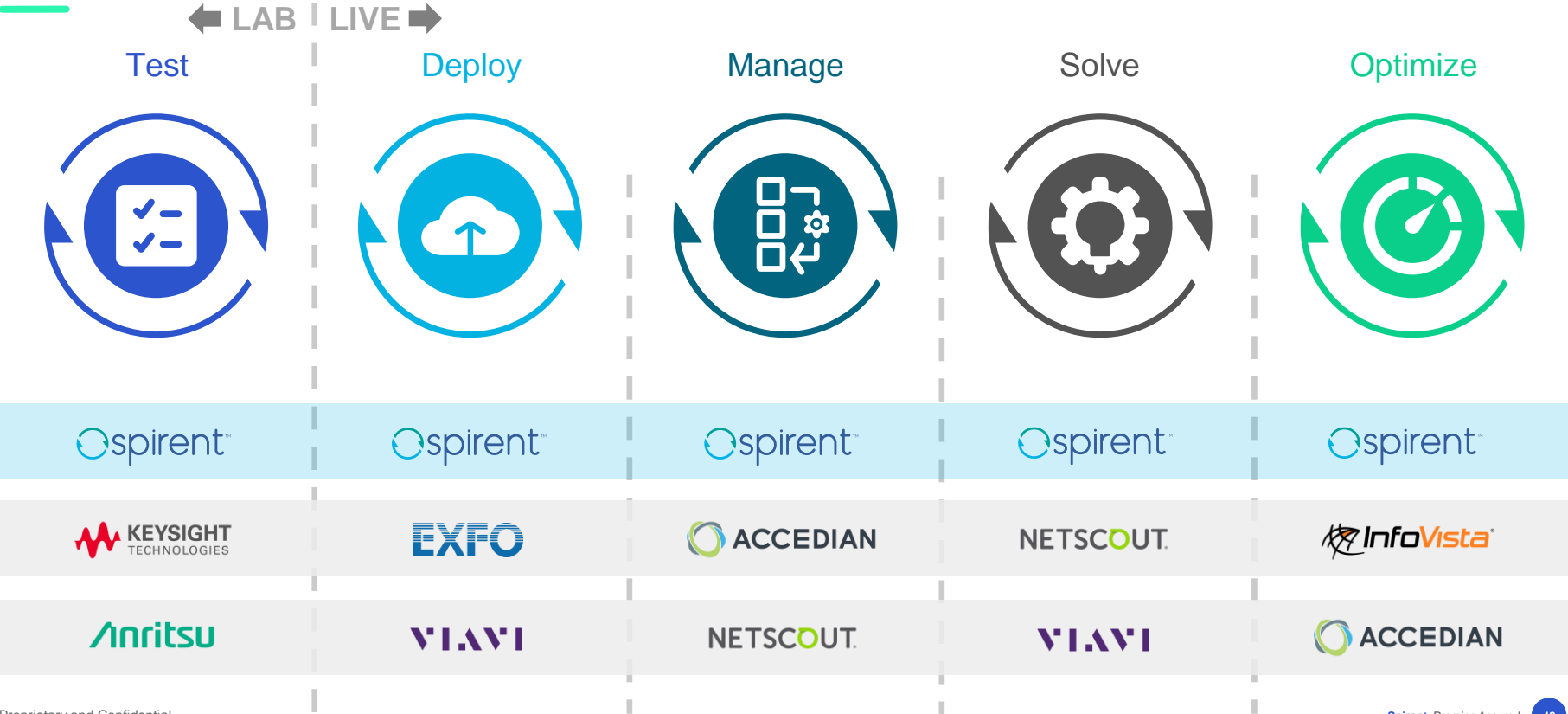


Landslide + VisionWorks

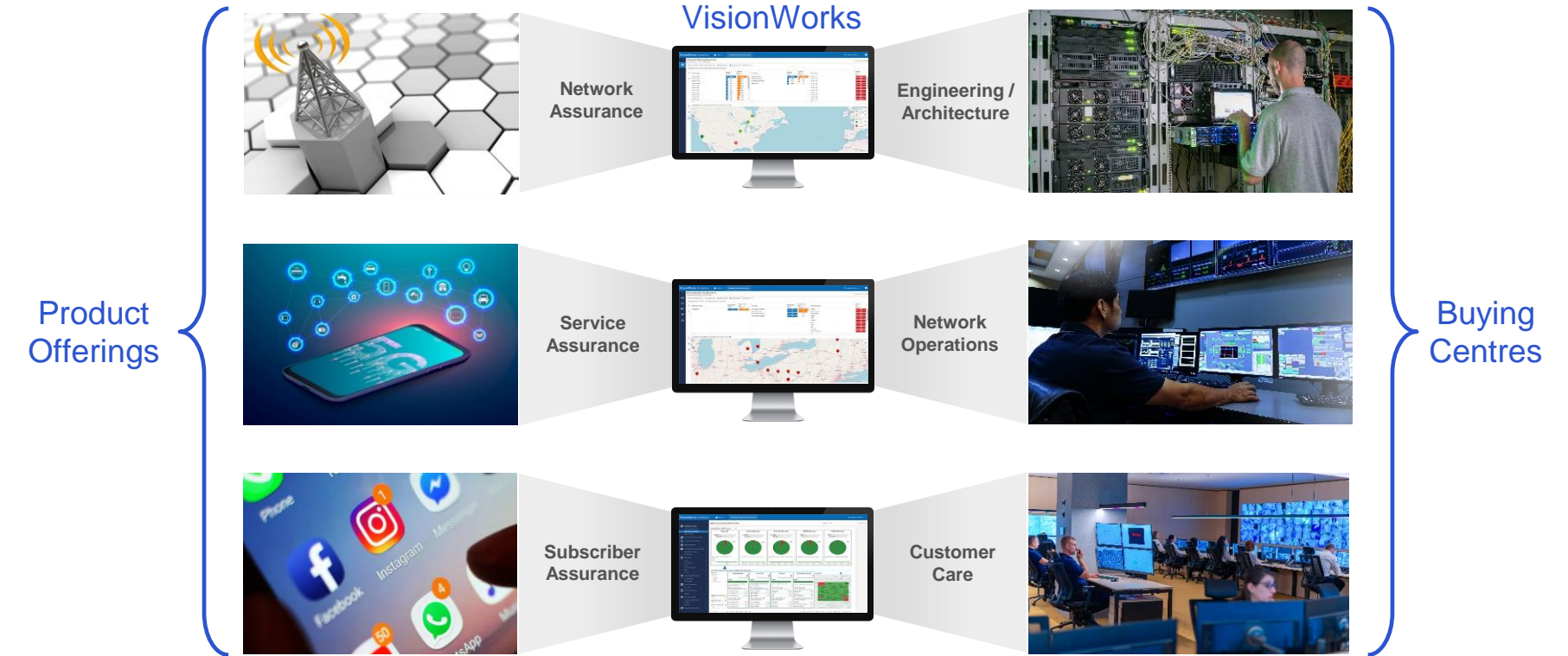
NEW TECHNOLOGY LIFECYCLE - 5G, CLOUD, SD-WAN, MEC, IOT...



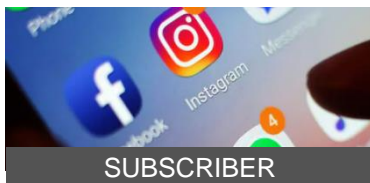
COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE



VISIONWORKS PORTFOLIO TODAY



VISIONWORKS PORTFOLIO TOMORROW



Outcome Driven Services Menu:

- ✓ Test & Certification
- ✓ Verification & Validation
- ✓ Infrastructure Onboarding
- ✓ Service Activation
- ✓ Service Delivery
- ✓ Fault Isolation
- ✓ Change Management
- ✓ Network Planning

CIO



CIO



NetOps



SecOps



Network Engineer



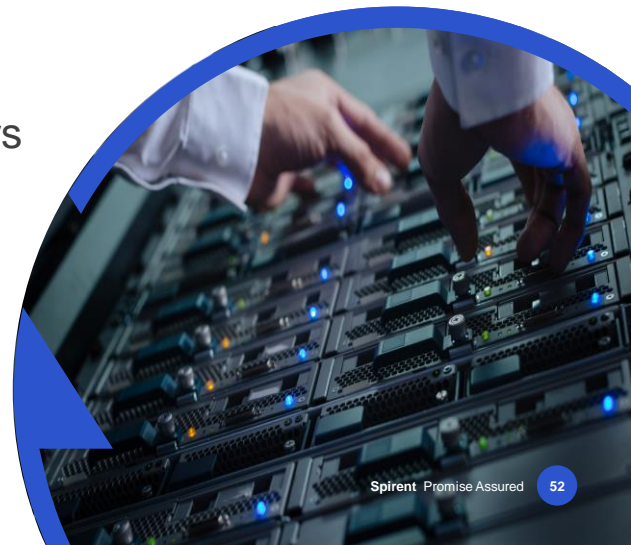
Network Architect

Case Study #1

CUSTOMER: Tier-1 Service Provider

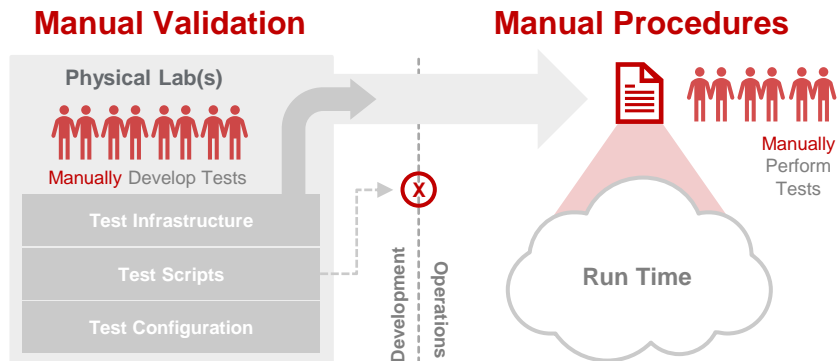
SOLUTION: Automated Test-as-a-Service (TaaS)

VALUE: Cost Reduction, Increase Delivery Speed, Reduce Errors



LAB → LIVE VNF ONBOARDING

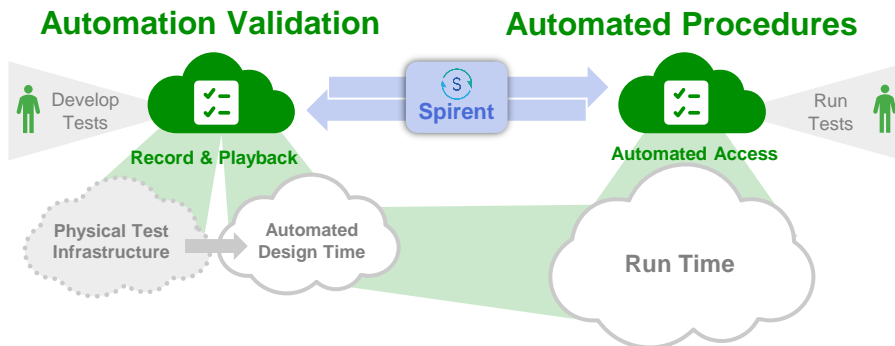
Current State



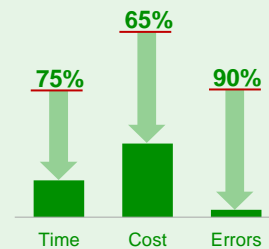
Before Automation



Desired State



After Automation



Case Study #2

CUSTOMER: Cloud & Software Platform Provider

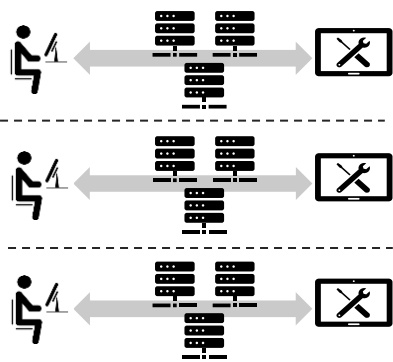
SOLUTION: Automated Lab-as-a-Service (LaaS)

VALUE: Cost Reduction, Expanded Portfolio, Reduced Footprint

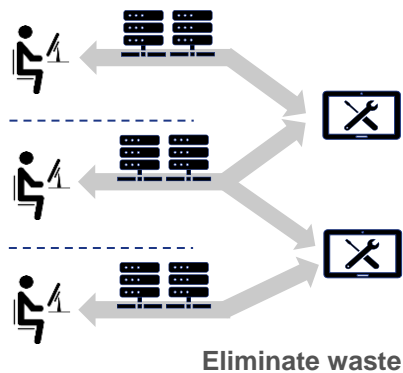


LAB CONSOLIDATION + AUTOMATION

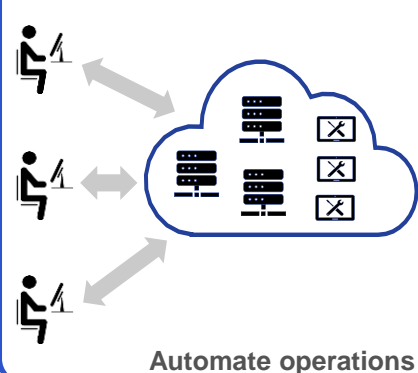
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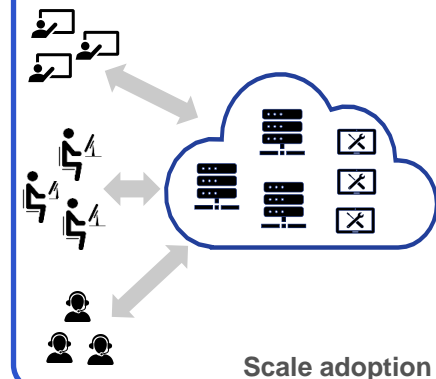
Consolidated



Automated



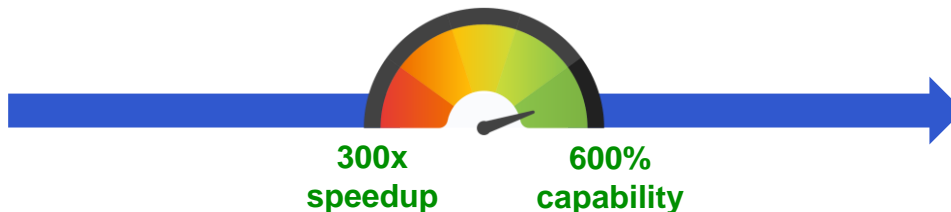
As-a-Service



Manual Setup

Setup time: **50 hours**

Available testbeds: **3**

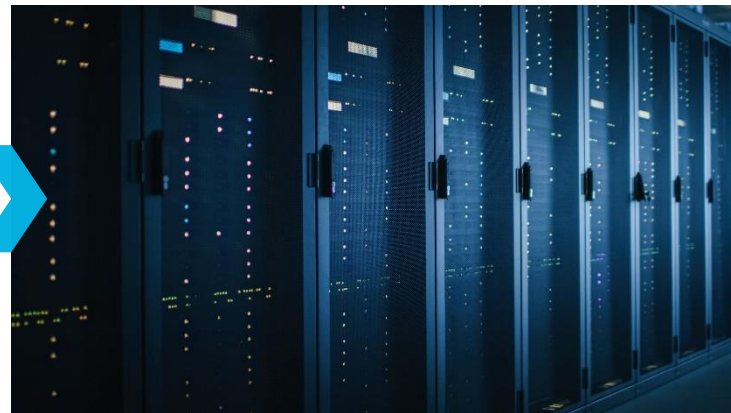


Automated LaaS

Setup time: **10 minutes**

Available testbeds: **22**

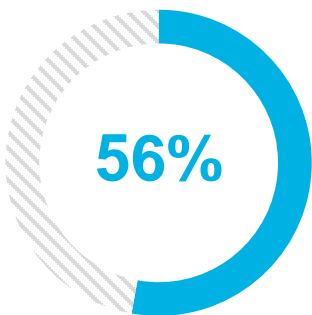
PHYSICAL FOOTPRINT CONSOLIDATION



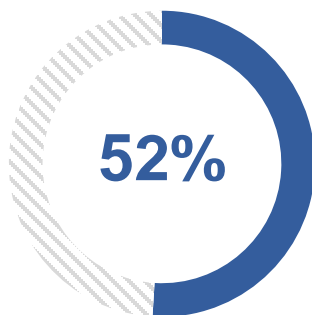
A + B + C + D

= 9,276 sq. ft. Reduction

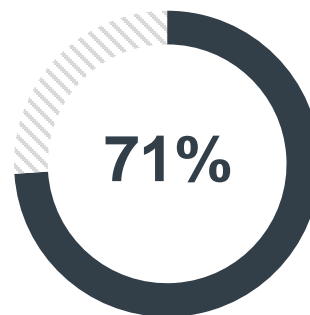
BY THE NUMBERS



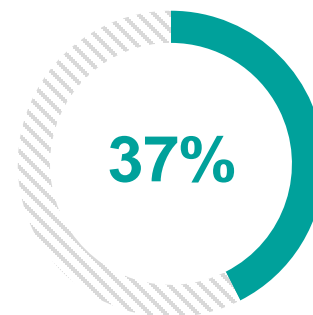
Increase in
traffic generator
port utilization.



Total number
of devices
required in
the lab.



Data Center
footprint from
13,276 to
4000 sq. ft.



Operating costs:
space, power,
cooling.

GTM STRATEGY



DRIVING MOMENTUM



Maintain and grow 5G leadership position in incumbent accounts



Leverage automation as a key differentiator in our portfolio



Reduce cyclical risk by accelerating Lab to Live transition



Broaden available market by transitioning from traditional product sales to outcome driven service offerings

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Thank You!

For your time and attention

A short, thick red horizontal line.

We will now take a break and resume
the presentation in 10 minutes



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Sales – Playing to Win



Manuel Zepeda,

*Executive Vice President
of Global Sales & Services*

GLOBAL SALES AT A GLANCE

Highlights

1,100+

Global Customers
Served Annually

50+

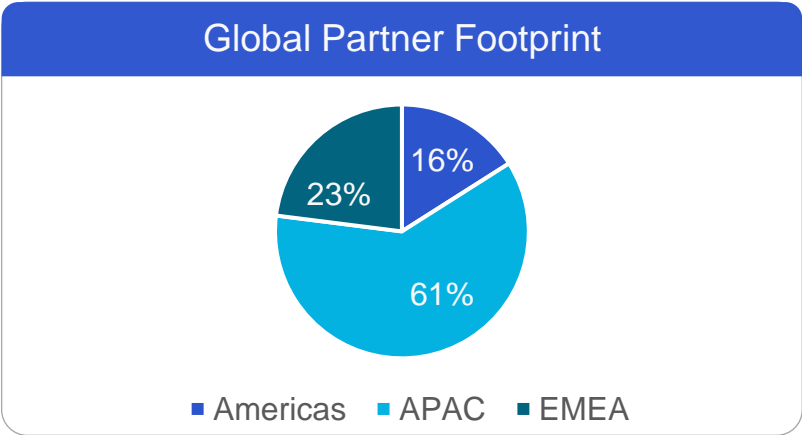
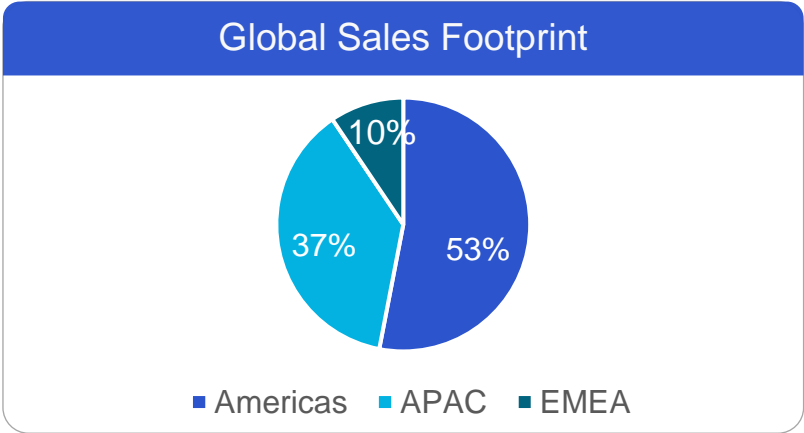
Countries
Served

8/10

Major
Telcos

6%

H1 Bookings
Growth



WHERE WE ARE GOING

Spirent Today



Products & Hardware



Service Providers and
Network Equipment
Manufacturers



Majority Lab Testing



Technology led

**Customer
Centricity**



**Innovation
for Growth**



**Operational
Excellence**



Spirent Tomorrow



Increased Solutions,
Services and Software



Strengthen Key Accounts
and Diversify Customers



Push into Live Network by
becoming a strategic partner



Agile, expedient and
solution led

EVOLVING SALES TO CAPTURE MARKET OPPORTUNITIES

Understanding the needs of our customers allows us to focus, solve real problems and deliver sustainable profitable growth by:



Sense of Urgency

Expand Key
Accounts and into
the live network



Offer flexible Solution,
Service and Software
models, solving
bigger problems

Diversify customer
base & leverage
strong partner
ecosystem



DRIVING GROWTH

America

Major focus in:

- Key Accounts
- Service Providers (SPs)
- Multi System Operators (MSOs)
- US Government
- HyperScalers
- Financial Institutions
- Network Equipment Manufacturers (NEMs)
- Chipset Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs)

EMEA

Major focus in:

- Key Accounts
- Eastern Europe
- Chipset R&D
- Partners

India

Major focus in:

- NEMs
- Government

SE Asia

Major focus in:

- Partners
- SPs

Japan & Korea

Major focus in:

- Key Accounts
- Partners
- Finance
- SPs

DRIVING GROWTH IN CHINA

5G

Dominate carrier 5G testing labs

- China Mobile, China Telecom, China Unicom, China Broadcast Network

Gov Lab

Win major government lab projects

Live

Drive assurance into the live network

Enterprise

Deepen channel into new markets e.g. finance

Services

Leverage end to end solutions to create more value

The way

Deepen Key Accounts

Strengthen Services footprint and sell solutions

VERIZON'S 5G DEPLOYMENT

SALES – ACT WITH URGENCY



Strengthen
our key
accounts



Leverage
partners
worldwide



Drive
innovation
through our
service
offerings



Deepen our
reach with our
customers



Use our
industry leading
expertise to
introduce
solutions into
the market

CAPITAL MARKETS DAY 2020

Spirent Services – New Horizons

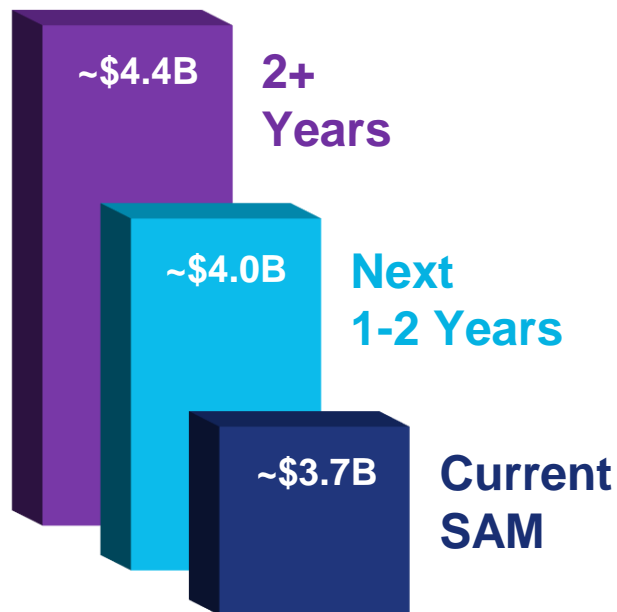
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*Executive Vice President
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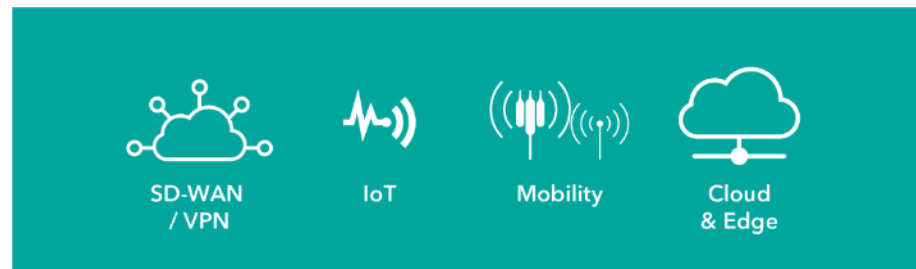


SPIRENT 2020 SERVICEABLE ADDRESSABLE MARKET (SAM)

Managed Solutions & Infrastructure (SAM)



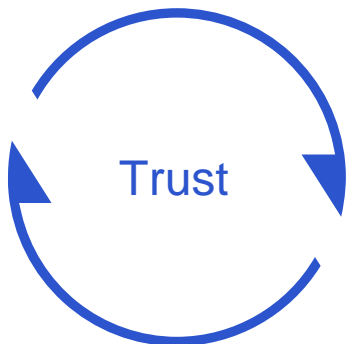
Live Network



Lab Infrastructure



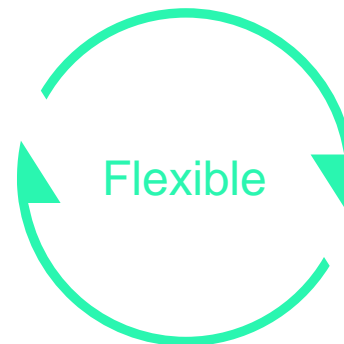
WHY SPIRENT



Known and trusted
advisor to our customers
in the Test and
Assurance markets



Currently serve
1,100+ global
customers per year



Focus on
customer success

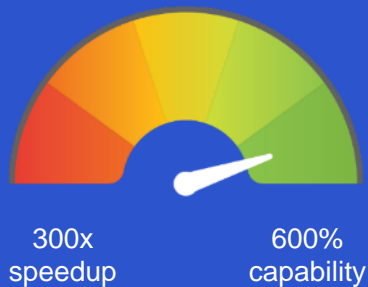
SPIRENT SERVICES BUSINESS



- Growing line of business for Spirent
- Strategic corporate area of focus
- Corporate services team quickly building out a robust portfolio of solutions
- Support cross product group processes and vendor engagement for professional services and support

HOW OUR MANAGED SOLUTIONS SOLVE CUSTOMER PROBLEMS

Lab as-a-Service



Test as-a-Service



Certification as-a-Service



Deployment as-a-Service



5G LAB-AS-A-SERVICE

Situation: OpEx and CapEx requirements to support complex 5G test environments

Solution: **Lab-as-a-Service**

Fully automated 200k+ 5G test beds

Impact: Reduced test times by 2X, delivered across the globe, reduced CAPEX by 40%

Accelerated 5G Delivery
Reduced OpEx and CapEx

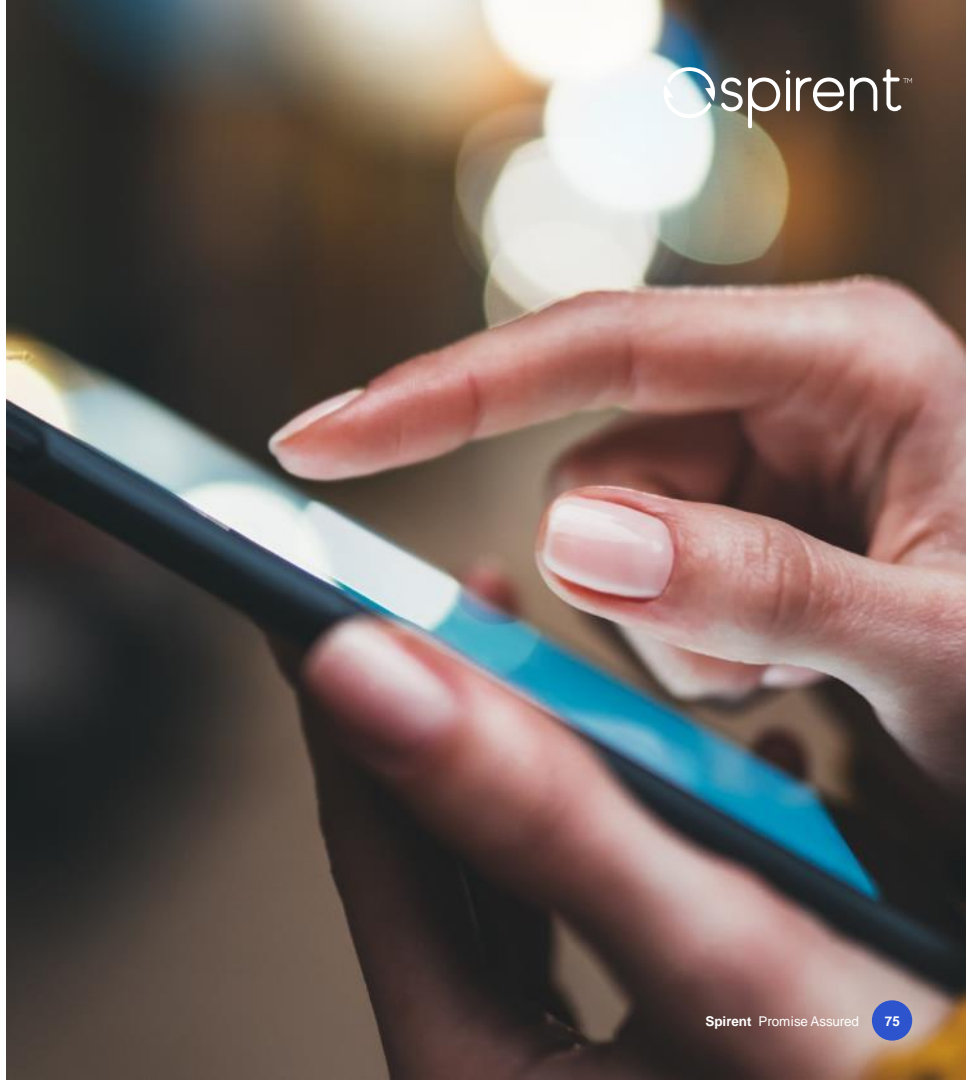
5G TEST-AS-A-SERVICE

Situation: Deploy 5G quickly to cope with the complexity of cloud-native architecture

Solution: Test-as-a-Service

Cross-portfolio solution to validate and automate the 5G core

Impact: Enabled customer to automate their testing to continually launch new 5G services



SD-WAN CERTIFICATION- AS-A-SERVICE

Situation: Lack of interoperability standards between devices created high level of complexity, costs and loss of time

Solution: **Certification-as-a-Service**
Certify SD-WAN to comply to industry standards

Impact: Benchmark SD-WAN technology stack across a span of integrated vendors

EDGE CLOUD DEPLOYMENT- AS-A-SERVICE

Situation: Network Provider legacy infrastructure was unable to scale to keep up with edge cloud deployments

Solution: **Deployment-as-a-Service**
Managed and automated services for rapid testing, turn-up and monitoring

Impact: Automated deployment for new edge cloud sites, verifying capacity and performance and reliably



BUILDING A STRONG FOUNDATION FOR GROWTH



Formation of
centralized
Services
team



Expanded
services
offerings that
leverage our
technology
strength



Building a
robust
pipeline



Strong
partner
relationships
enabling
scalability



Key wins
in major
customers

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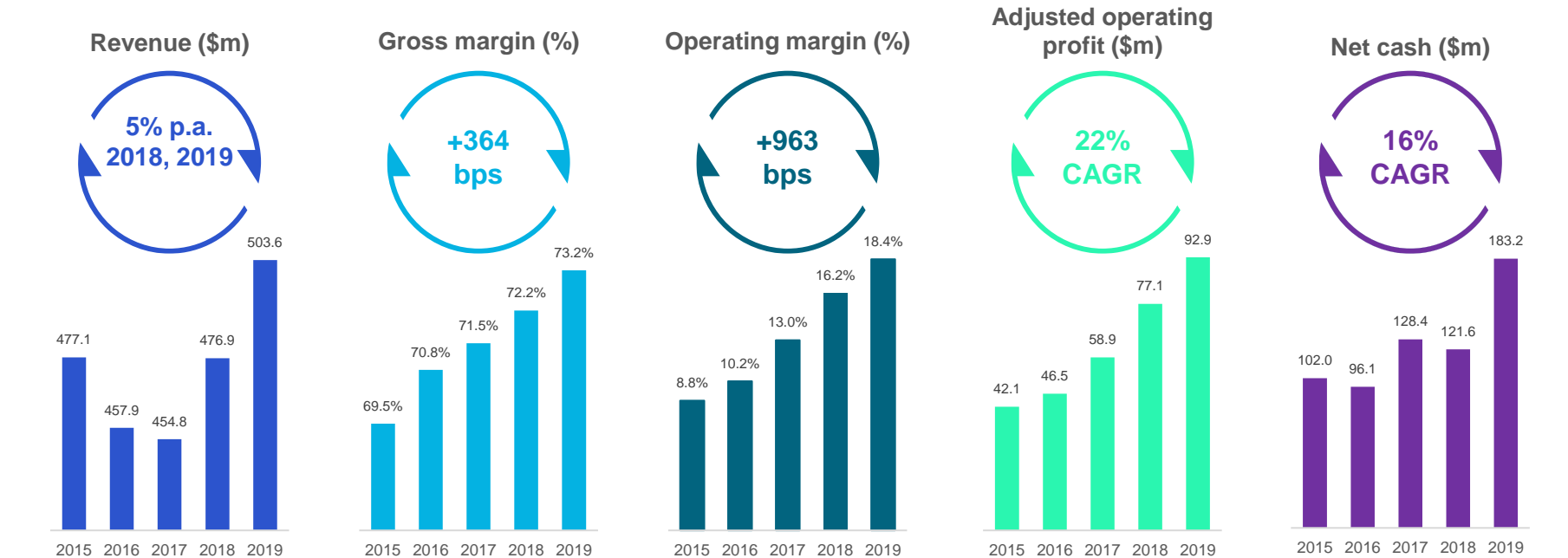
Financial Overview

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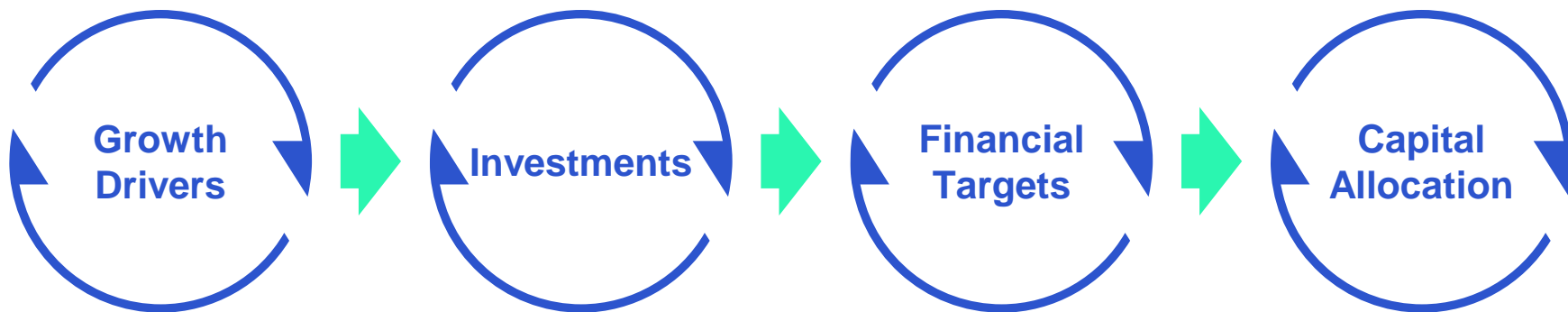
Chief Financial & Operations Officer

GROWTH PERFORMANCE TO DATE



Strong momentum | Operational effectiveness | Strong balance sheet

TO DELIVER SUSTAINABLE PROFITABLE REVENUE GROWTH



GROWTH TRENDS & DRIVERS

5G to 6G over time – supporting ever increasing communication needs

Networks & Security

- Infrastructure for 5G rollout and beyond
- Increasing risk mitigation for cybersecurity
- GNSS – increasing need for time and positioning

Lifecycle Service Assurance

- Lab to live
- Customer network optimisation and cost saving

Connected Devices

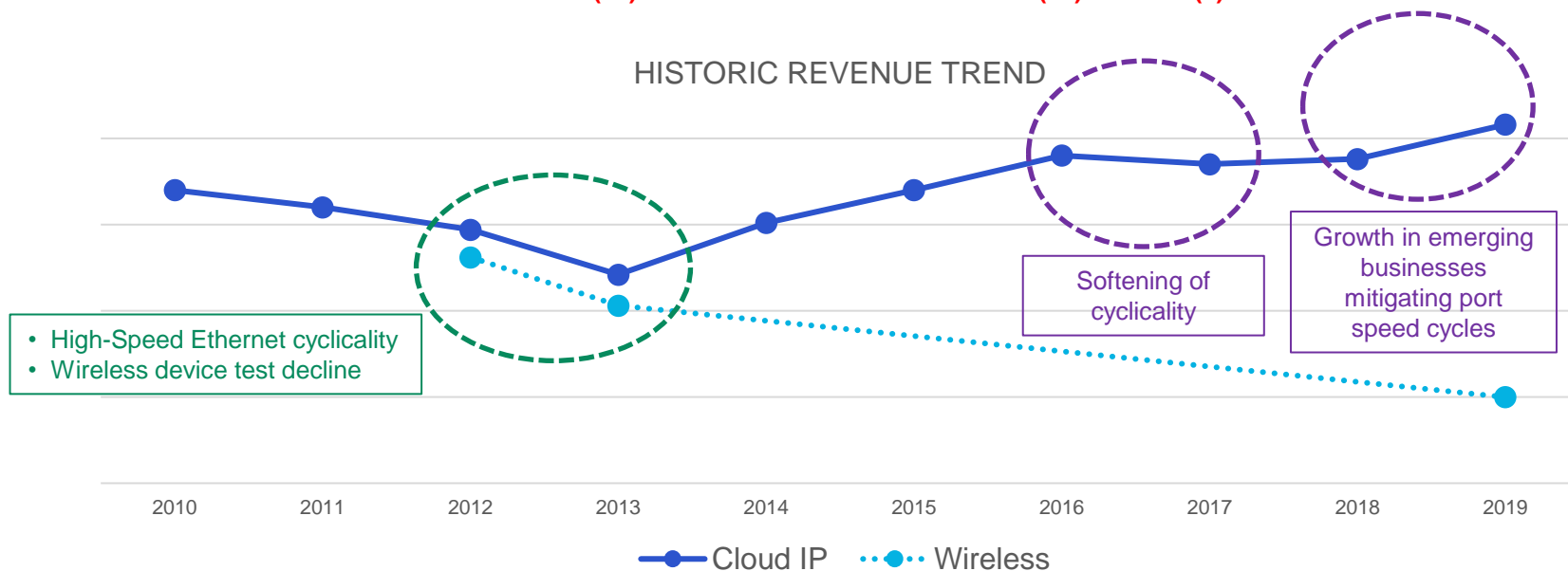
- 5G device test demand
- Potential for 5G test of Internet of Things

Portfolio Sales

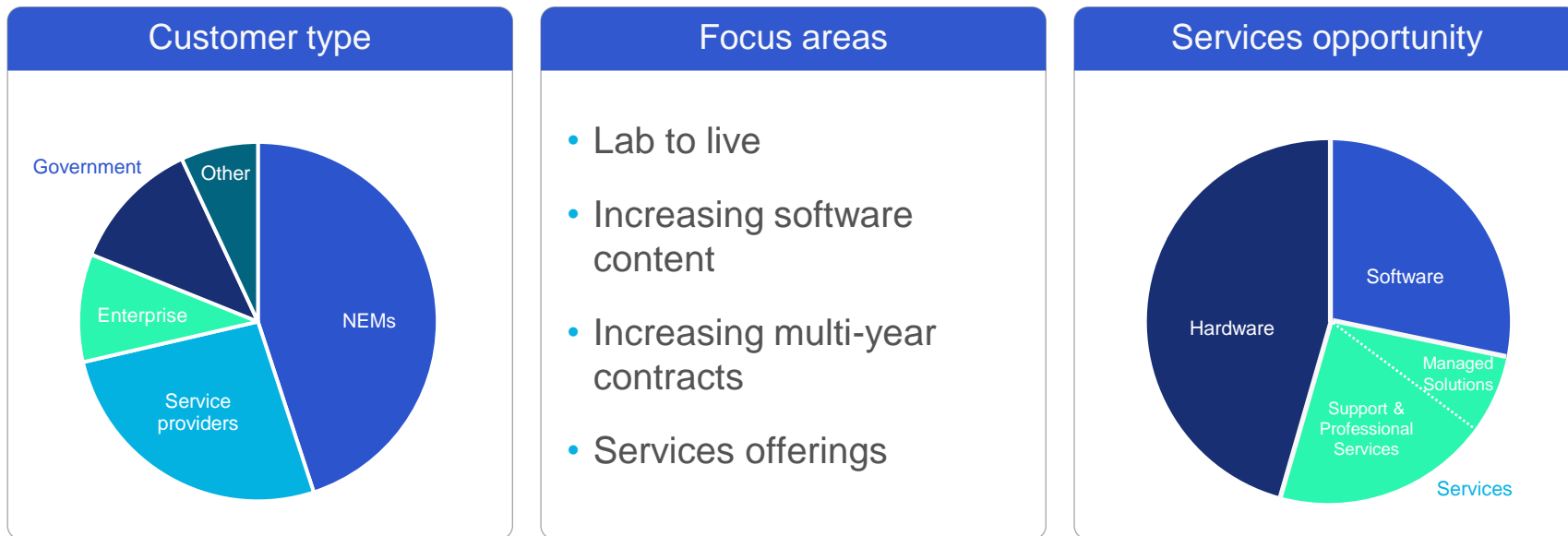


TECHNICAL CYCLICALITY

\$m	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Group Revenue	423	471	472	414	457	477	458	455	477	504
Yearly Delta	0	48	2	(59)	44	20	(19)	(3)	22	27



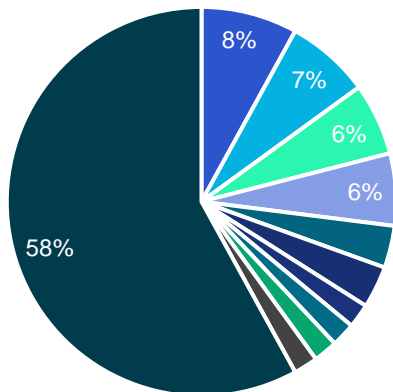
FOCUS ON DRIVING LAB TO LIVE – DRIVES SOFTWARE



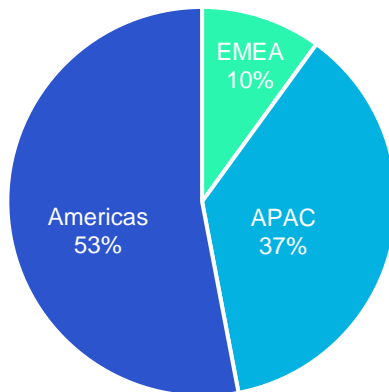
- High-Speed Ethernet – high switching costs can make revenue streams ‘sticky’
- Moving from lab to live drives more software content – maintains strong gross margin
- New focus on driving services revenue from managed solutions opportunities

STRONG DIVERSIFICATION

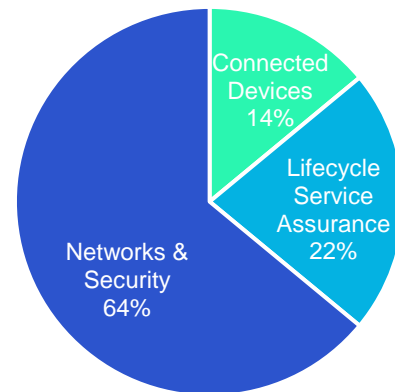
Revenue by customer



Revenue by geography

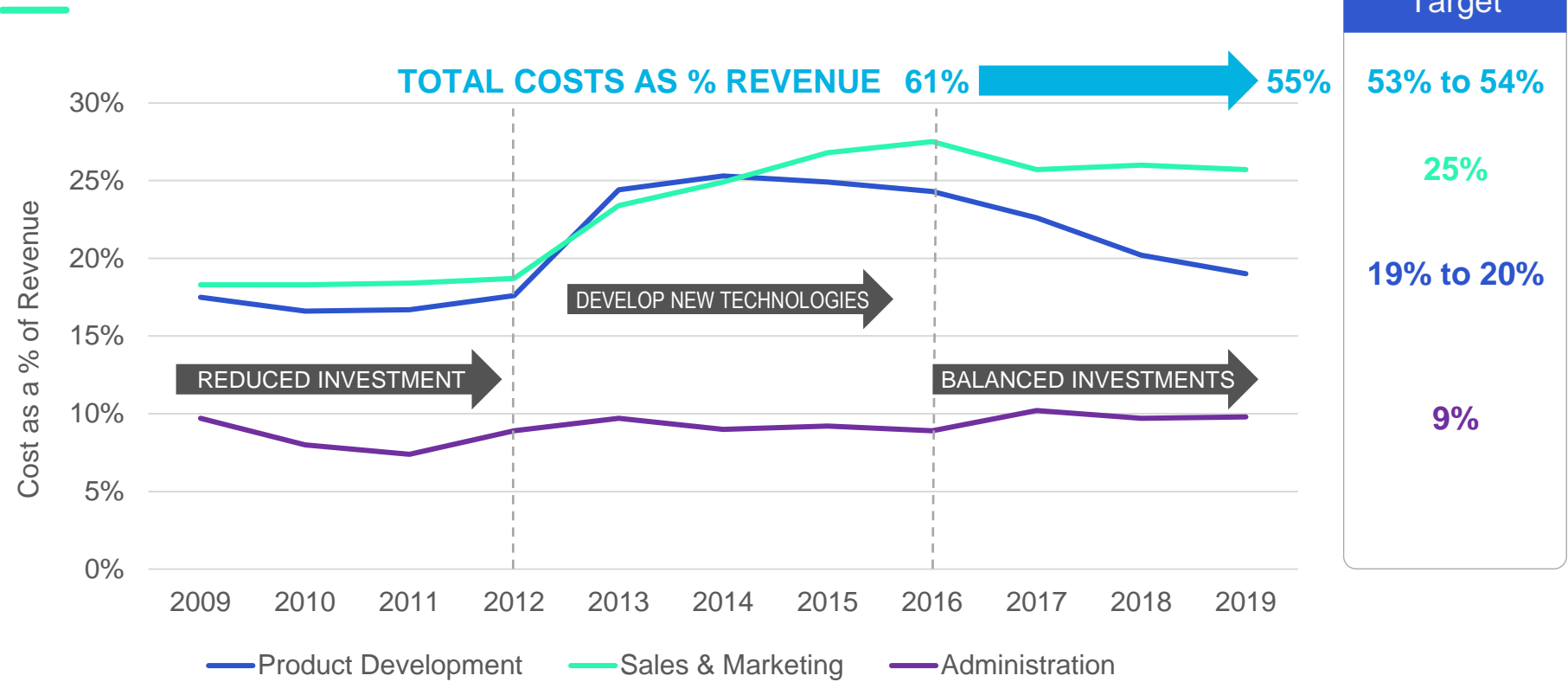


Revenue by segment



- US/China trade challenges managed well
- Good portfolio balance with no overweight customer dependency; top 10 customers = 42% of revenue

INVESTMENTS – TARGET OPERATING MODEL



INVESTMENTS – M&A

Growth acceleration

- Corporate development resource added
- Strategic acceleration
- Focus on targets:
 - Buy vs build/technology add-ons
 - Unique differentiation
 - Expand customer base

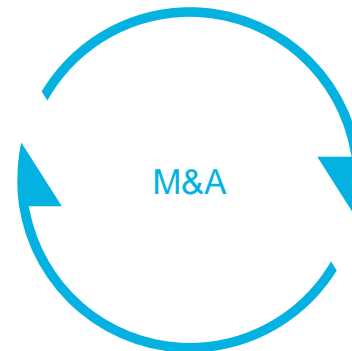
MEDIUM TERM TARGETS



- Recurring revenue
 - Software
 - Services
 - Lab to live
 - Technical cyclical mitigation
- } Neutral impact to gross margin



- Potential for operational leverage and/or increased product development investment

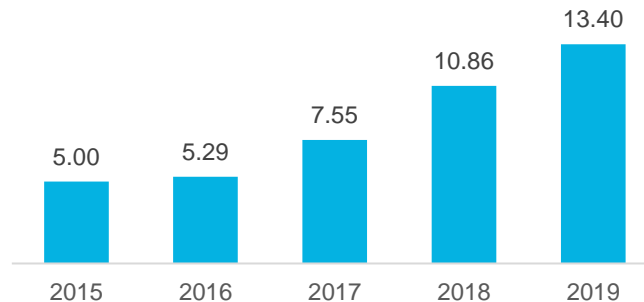


- Accelerate strategy
- Drive faster growth and leverage

CAPITAL ALLOCATION

- Healthy & focused investment (Opex and Capex)
- Progressive dividend policy (2-2.5 x earnings cover)
- Disciplined approach to M&A
 - Robust performing targets
 - Growth enablers to new customers/
new adjacencies
 - Technology bolt-ons
- Returns to shareholders

EPS (adjusted basic) (cents)



Dividend per share (cents)



DRIVING SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

- 5G and 400G high-speed Ethernet upcycles
- Growing software and services
- Multi-year orders drive improved visibility
- New markets
 - Cloud
 - Navigation and timing
- Accelerated growth possible with targeted M&A
- Effective operating model – healthy investment levels
- Strong financial management to drive operating margin and high cash conversion



KEY TAKEAWAYS



Talented team
executing on
strategy to
seize
opportunities



Partnering with
customers to
solve bigger
business
problems



Focused
investment
driving
sustainable
growth



Solutions and
services to
expand
leadership and
decrease
cyclicality



Continuing to
raise the bar,
even through
tough times

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