SABER Thematic Network

Workshop #6

Panel 2 - Digital Divide and very high speed services: meeting he DAE 2020 objectives



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A dual challenge

Technology: need to evolve ground, platform and payload technologies to reduce cost of bit-per-second while increasing throughput (competition outside Europe is already progressing)

- By deploying hybrid ecosystems using Ka/Ku/C band satellites/payload for delivery of next generation converged broadband and broadcast services to consumers equipped with smart CPE devices across the EU
- By increasing performance at ground level (gateway and personal antennas levels): more efficient signal modulation, error corrections, filtering etc.
- By increasing the on-board payload performance and capacity and optimizing spectrum use
- By reducing the overall cost of the mission (satellite and launcher)
- Market: market environment and public frameworks must encourage operators investment
 - Need for European public support and accompanying measures on both fronts, as done outside Europe



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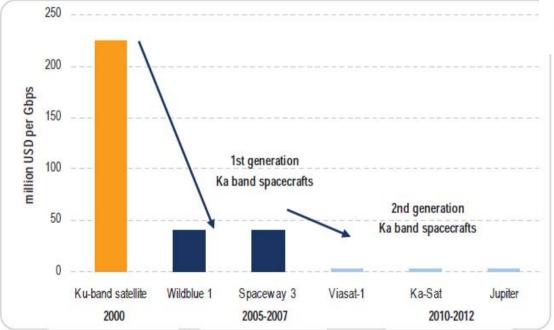
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The recent satellite broadband technology (r)evolution

Drastic performance evolution in the last years thanks to multi-beams payload and frequency re-use technique: High Throughput Satellites (HTS).

• Already 50 Mbps subscription offers towards professionals





To meet the Digital Agenda 2020 objectives: necessary to investigate next generation HTS systems providing a further order of magnitude improvement (Terabit/s satellite capacity) at viable economical conditions.

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