

End-to-End Mission Critical Push-to-Talk: Pushing for the future

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- Demonstration. **(Bob)**
- Q & A **(All)**



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Project Objectives

Statement of Work

- Middleware for MCPTT Client Integration on Android UE
 - LTE-level support
 - Application-level support
 - Mission Critical Experience / UI
- MCPTT Service Implementation (next slide)
- Testing
 - Protocol testing
 - Interoperability testing
 - System integration tests / KPI
 - Field tests

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PSIAP - Project: End-to-End Mission Critical Push-to-Talk: beginning June 1 2017

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	Field Testing	Sonim / Partner	G+ 52-80W
	Test Reports	Sonim	Per milestone

Technical objectives



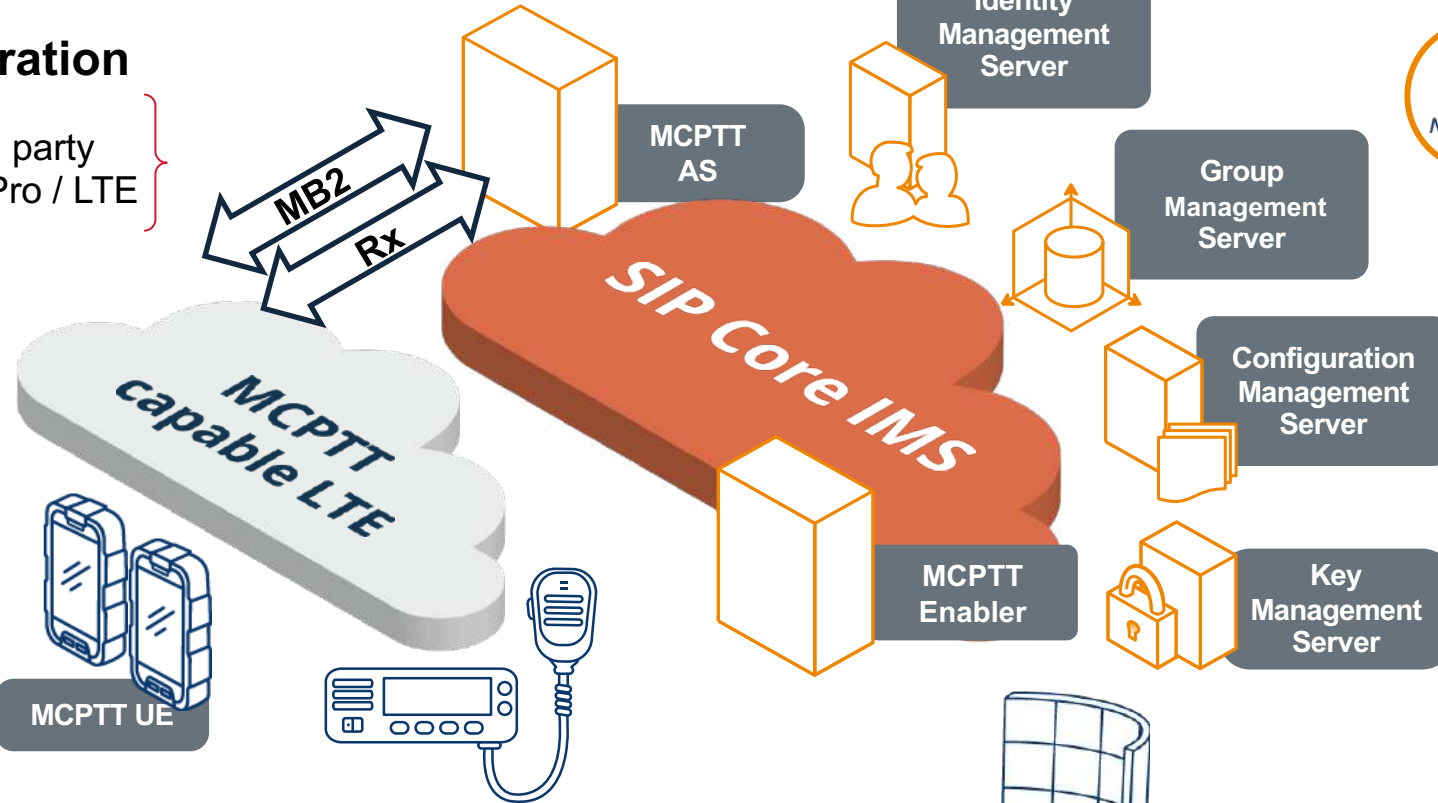
Own development
Evolve R2016 to R2017

Integration

Third party
LTE-A Pro / LTE



Evolve ongoing
developments



To be
developed



Scope of the
collaboration



Not initially
considered

Project Objectives Revisited

First Year Progress – Highlights – Platform Integrations

- Server side
 - Full 3GPP R13 compliant servers with QoS and eMBMS support
 - Ongoing evolution to R14
- Client side
 - Hardware button integration for PTT, Yellow and Red keys
 - Channel Selection Module SDK and Integration on MCPTT client
 - DSP Audio calibration for MCPTT, resulting in enhanced audio clarity and noise cancellation
 - QCI Integration
 - eMBMS integration using Qualcomm middleware
- KPI measurements

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Legend

- TBD
- Completed
- In Progress

Objectives for 2018-2019

Better
KPI

Better UI
and UX

Presence
and Location
Integration

Contacts
and Group
Management

Rigorous
Testing for
Mission Critical
Readiness

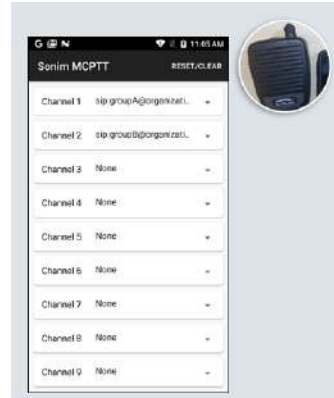
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PSIAP work – First year highlights



Channel Switching Module (CSM) SDK APIs



Integrated MCPTT client with CSM SDK



Audio Quality Improvements – DSP profiles



MC- QCI Integration



Default MCPTT signaling bearer (QCI 69)



Dynamic MCPTT media plane bearer (QCI 65)



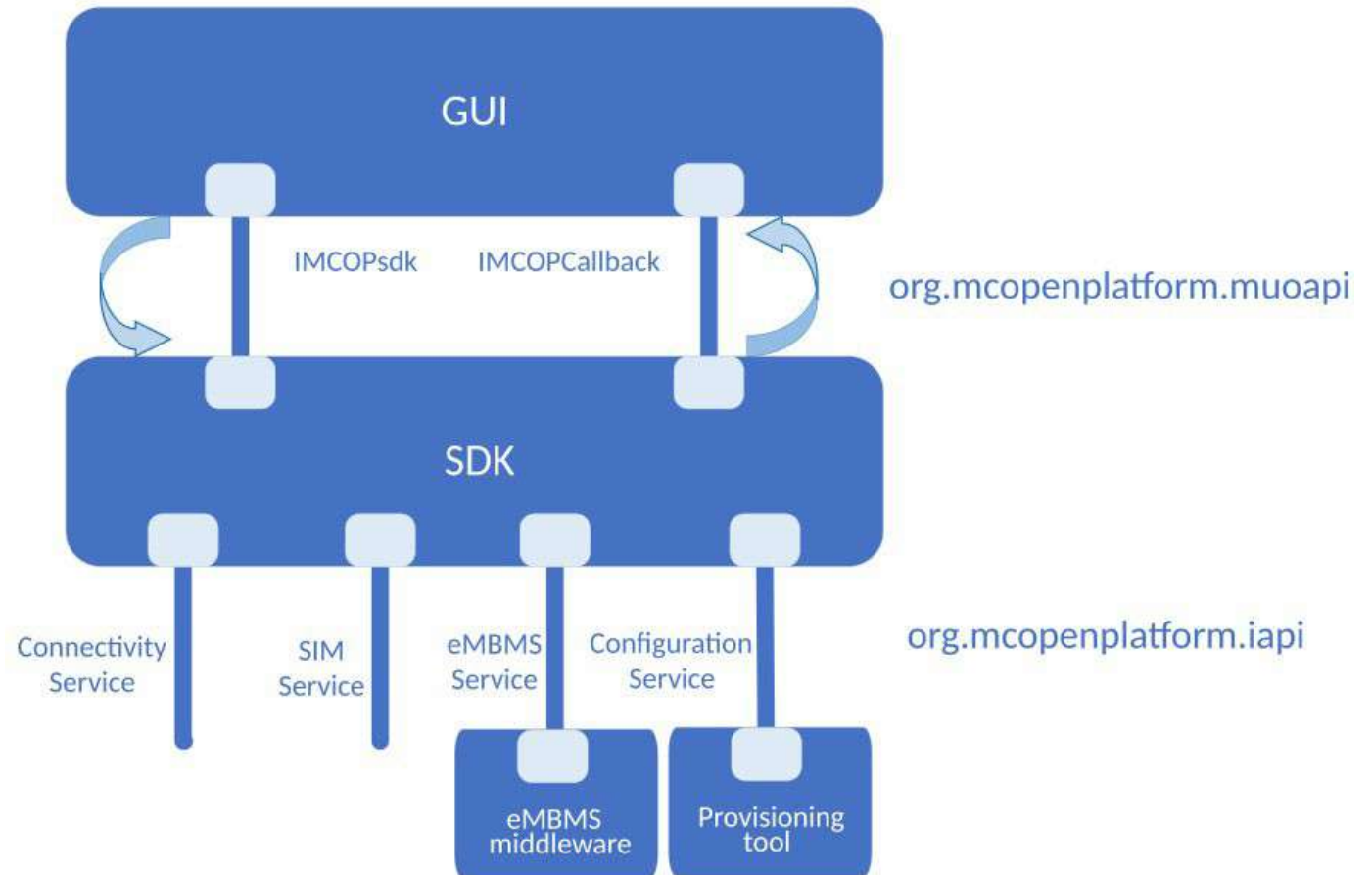
eMBMS Integration using QC MSDC API



Support of MCOP interfaces

**MUOAPI integration
(northbound)**

**I-API integration
(southbound)**



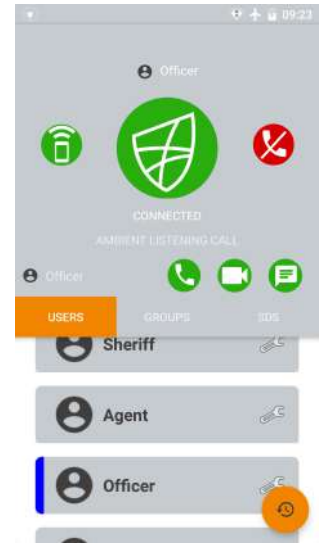
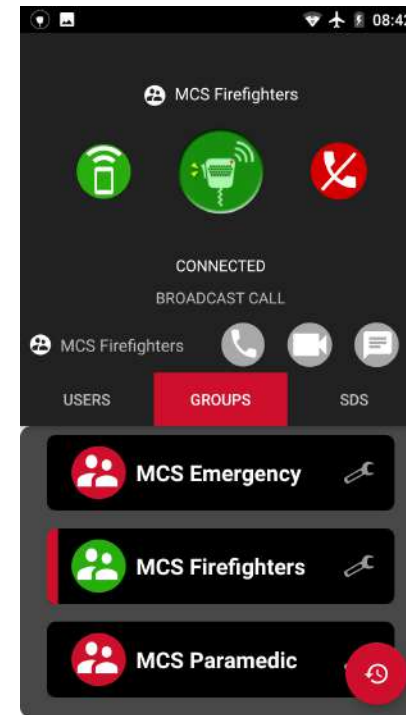
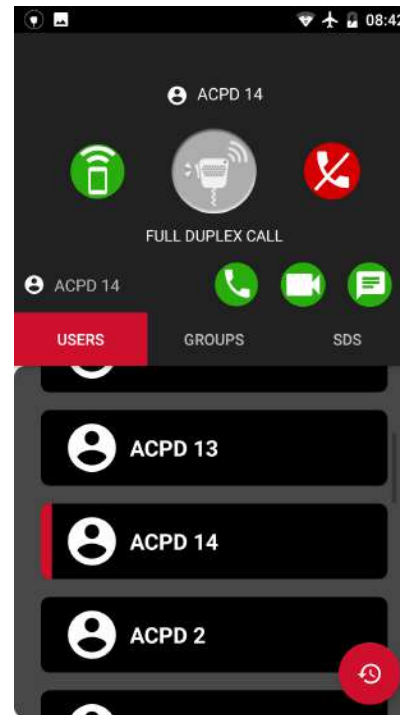
Evolution of Rel13 call types and features

Full-duplex calls

Broadcast (w and w/o emergency)

Ambient (local and remote)

Improved Idms, CMS and GMS

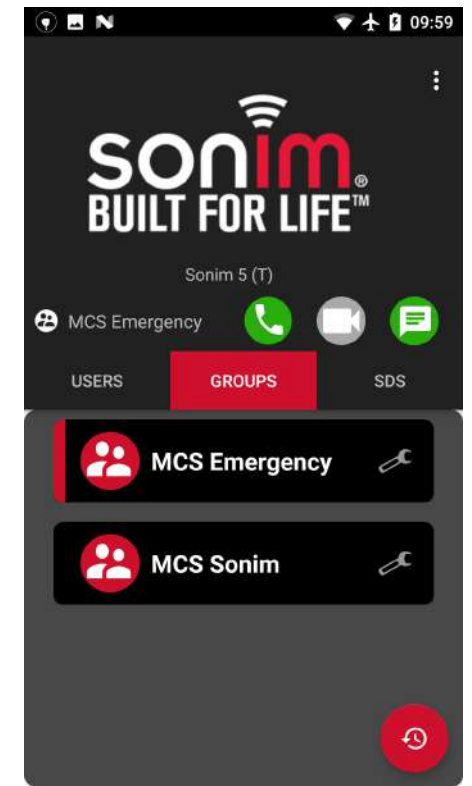
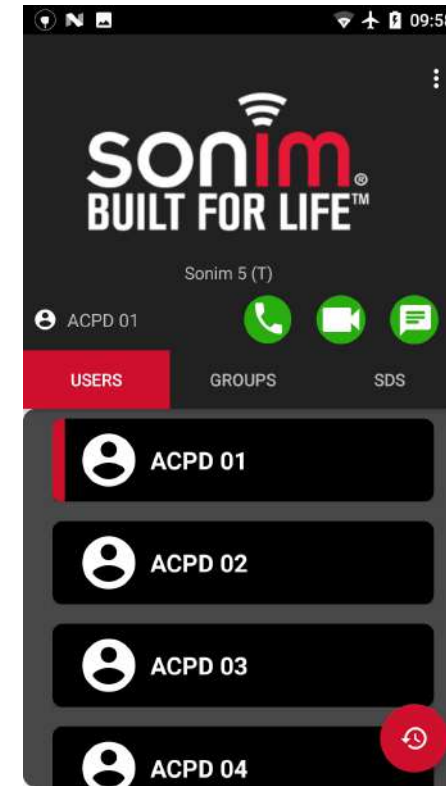


Evolution of centralized contact and group management

User-profiles for each MCPTT ID

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    <PrivateCallURI>
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        <display-name xml:lang="">ACPD 02</display-name>
      </entry>
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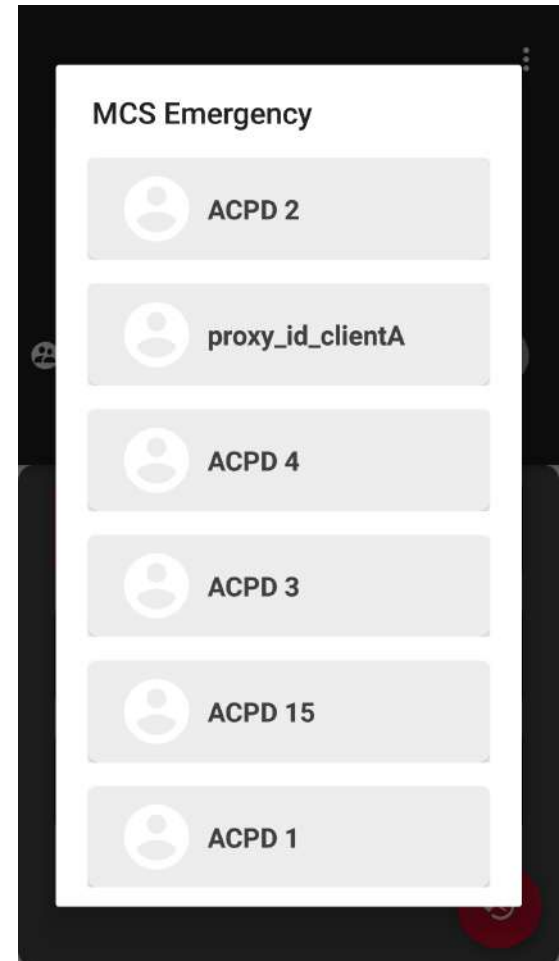
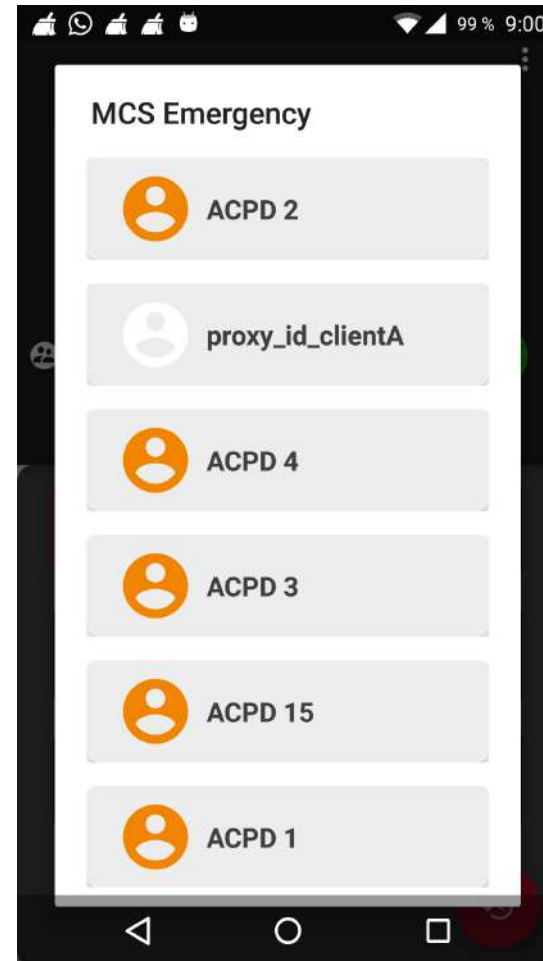
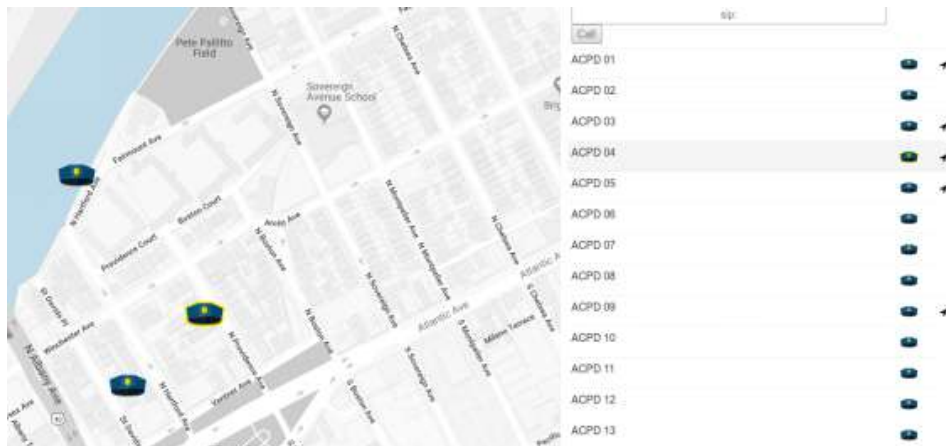


Location and first-step presence

Location

Group members

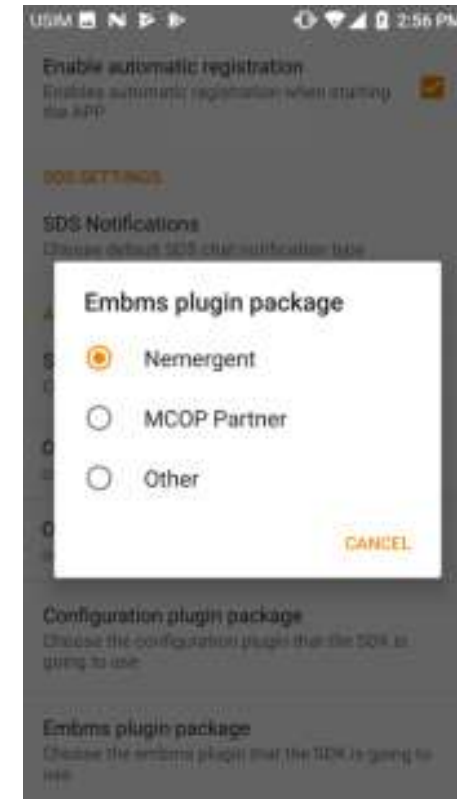
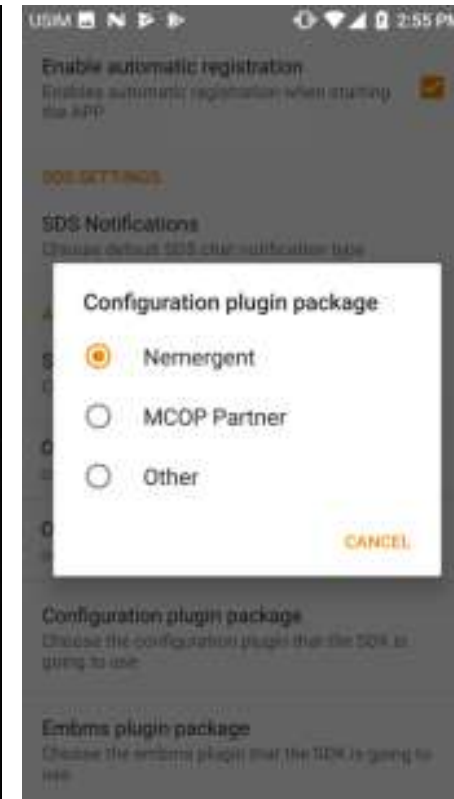
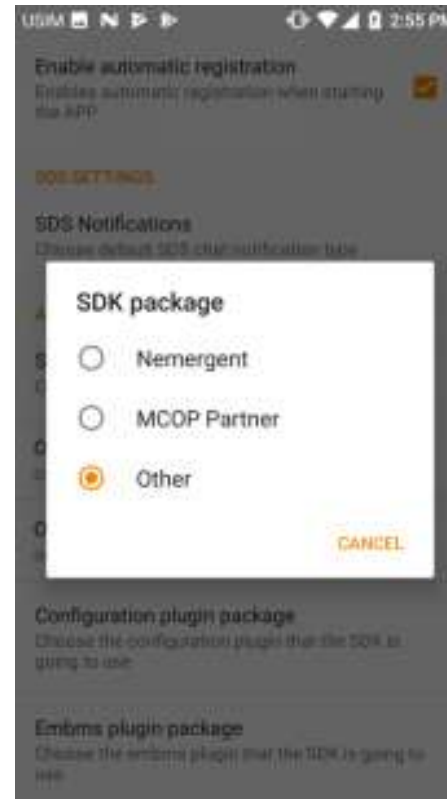
Subscription to group members' affiliation status



Evolution to support different MCS client providers

SDK selection

Plugins selection

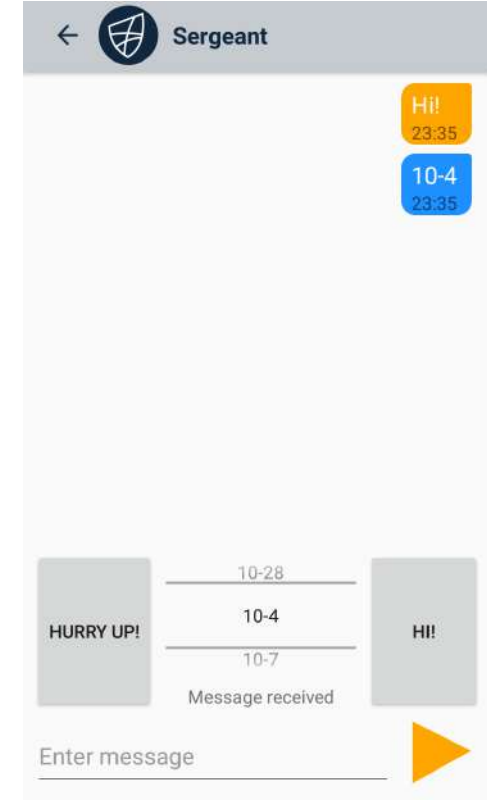
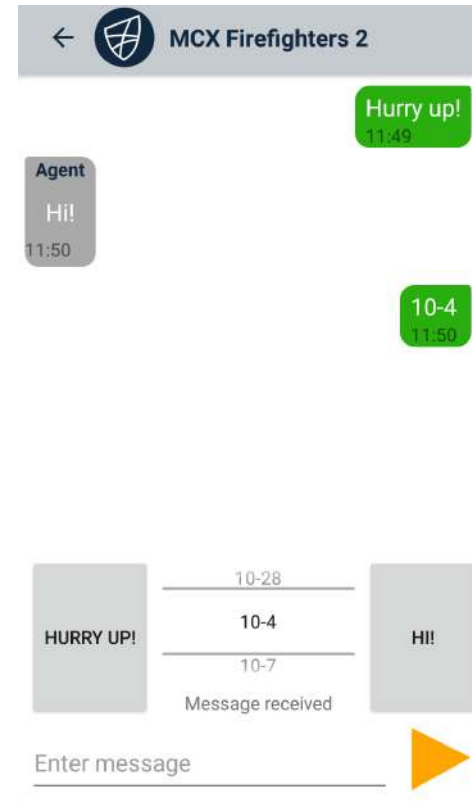
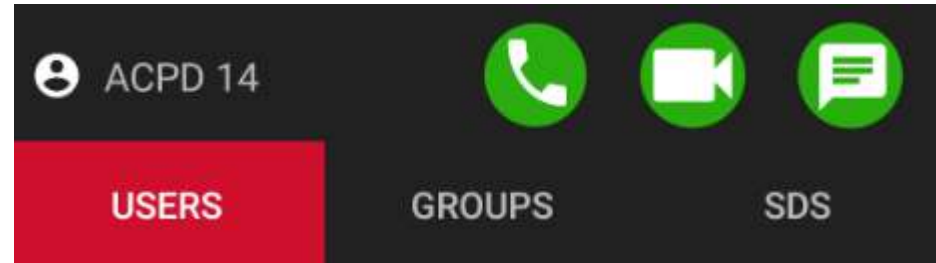


Addition of some Rel14 features


Private MCVideo calls

Private and Group SDS


SDS notifications



Interoperability (Plugtest events + dif.providers and vendors)



**2nd ETSI MCPTT
Plugtest
(June 2018)**




STANDARDS



**3rd ETSI MCX
Plugtest
(December 2018)**




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**4th ETSI MCX
Plugtest (Sept. 2019)**

In Process...



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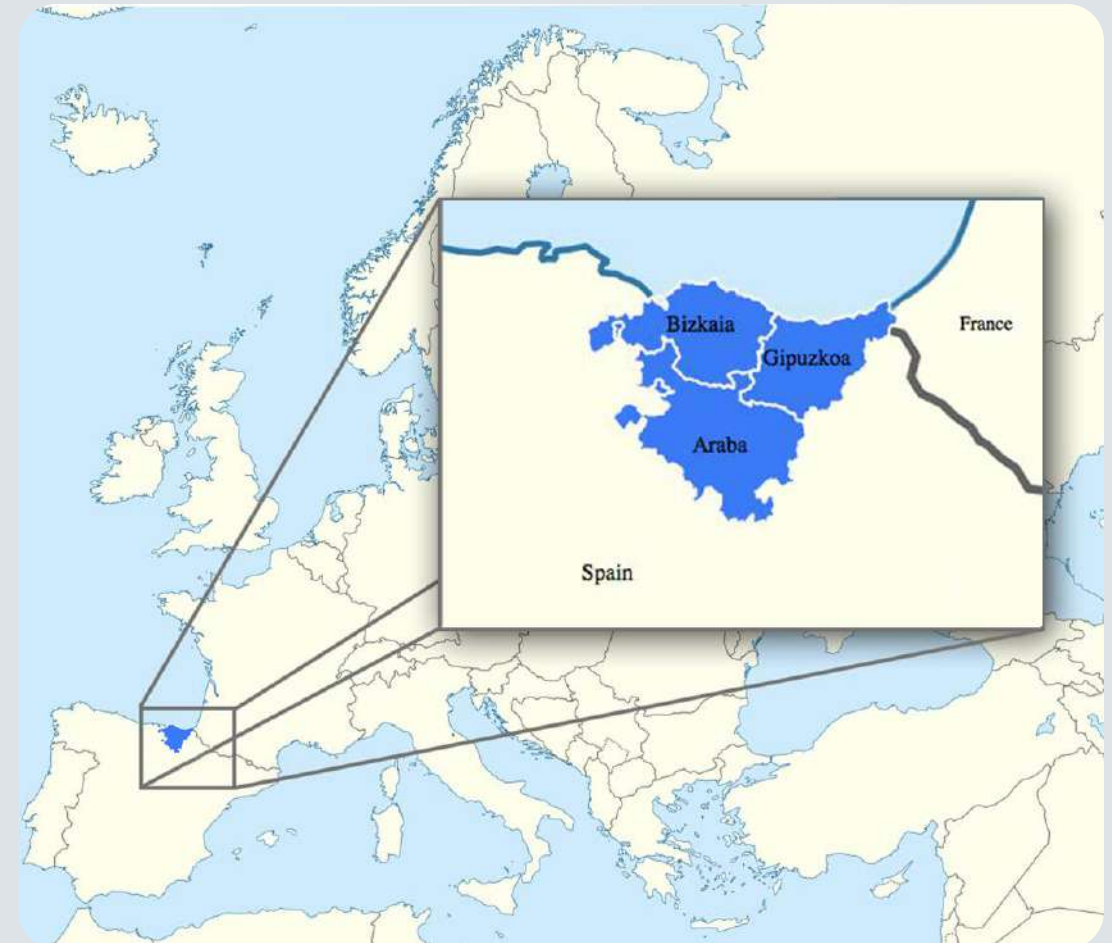


Located in Bilbao, Basque Country, Spain.

Founded in January 2017.

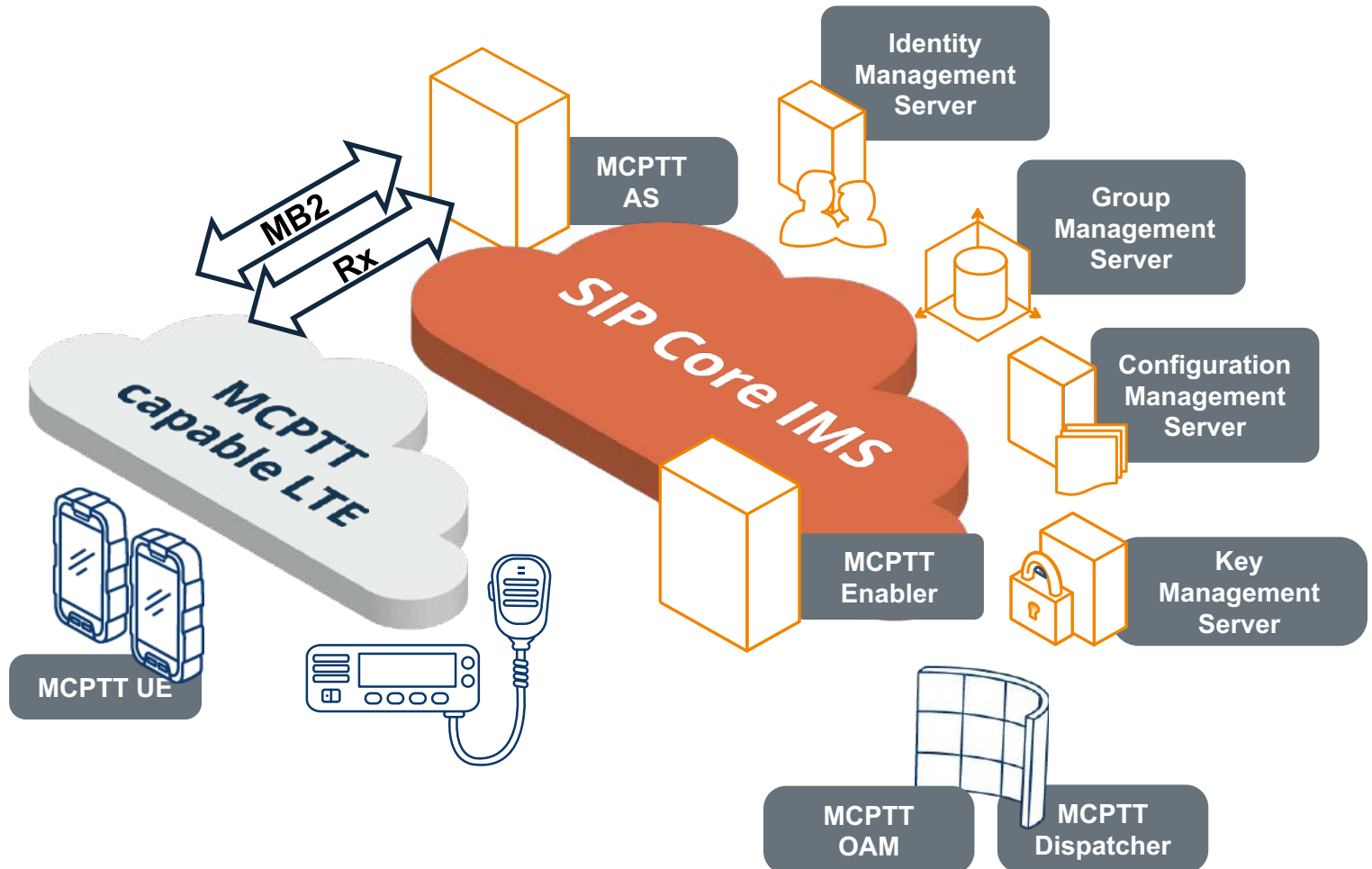
Next generation Mission Critical communications

- 3GPP R13 MCPTT
- 3GPP R14 MCVideo & MCDData



Year 2 - MCPTT/MCS System in short

Technical evolution



Rel13 features: Late call entry, ambient, broadcast, emergency alert, ...

Rel14 features: SDS, FD with HTTP, MCVideo TC, ...

Enhanced R13 and R14 OAM front-end and back-end

Security (ciphering for MCPTT, MCDData, eMBMBS, ...)

Hard upgrade of management servers to update them to R15 and beyond

MCPTT enabler with enhanced capabilities (location, enhanced OAM procedures, group membership and affiliation, ...)

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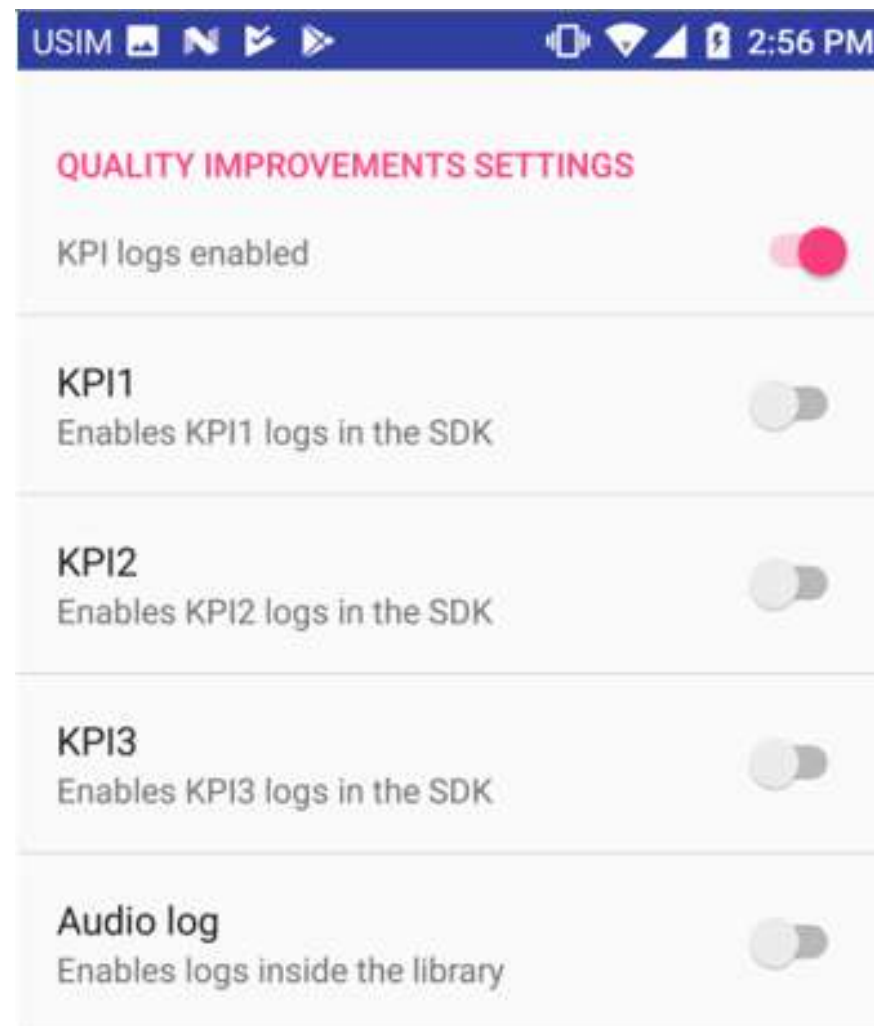


Evolution to log KPIs in client

KPI1

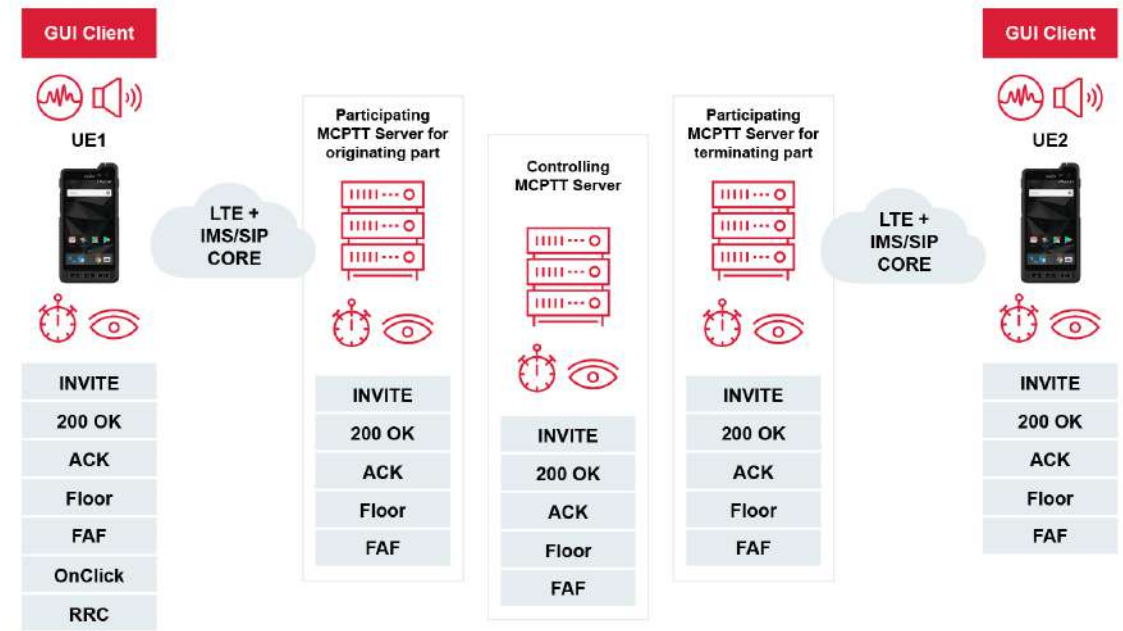
KPI2

KPI3 + Audio path log

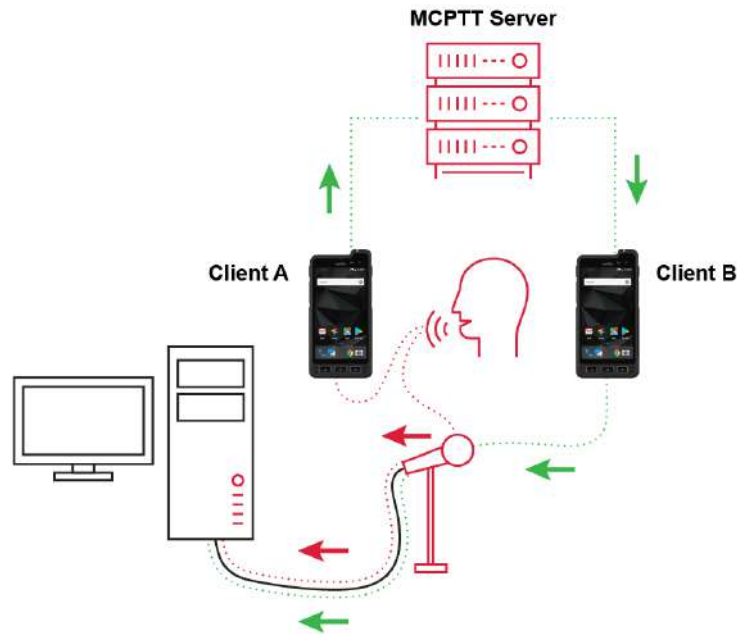


KPI measurements

On-site measurements



Lab measurement

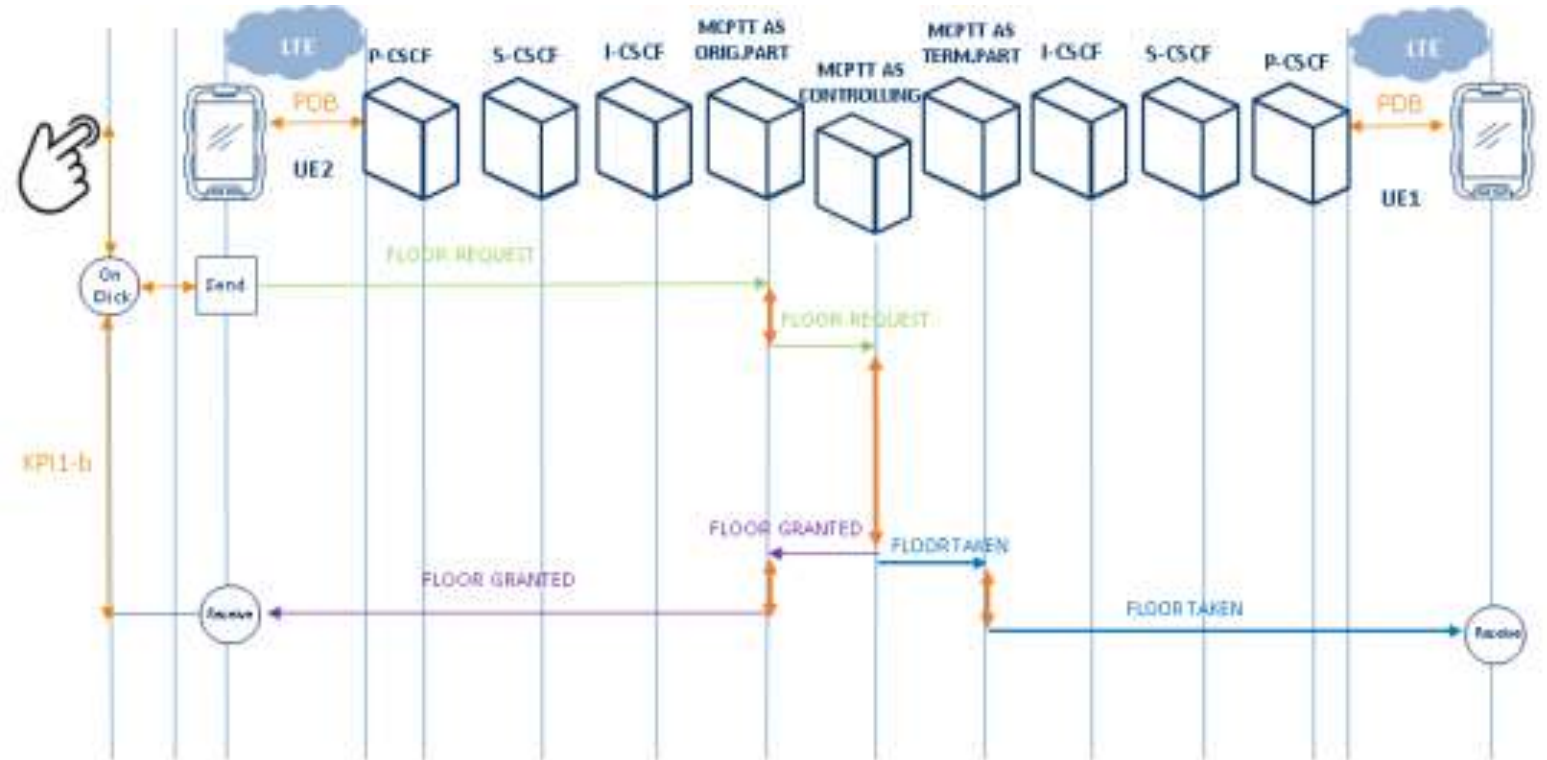


Target KPIs

MCPTT KPIs	Threshold	Likelihood	LTE Packet Delay Budget
MCPTT KPI 1 – Access Time	< 300 ms	95% of all MCPTT requests	< 60 ms
MCPTT KPI 1 – Access Time (Emergency)	< 300 ms	99% of all MCPTT requests	< 60 ms
MCPTT KPI 2 – End-to-End Access Time	< 1000 ms	N/A	< 60 ms
MCPTT KPI 3 – Mouth-to-Ear Latency	< 300 ms	95% of all voice bursts	< 75 ms
MCPTT KPI 4 – Late Call Entry Time (encrypted calls)	< 350 ms	95% of all Late Call entries	< 60 ms
MCPTT PESQ	MOS-LQO \geq 3.0	N/A	N/A
MCPTT POLQA	MOS-LQO \geq 3.0	N/A	N/A

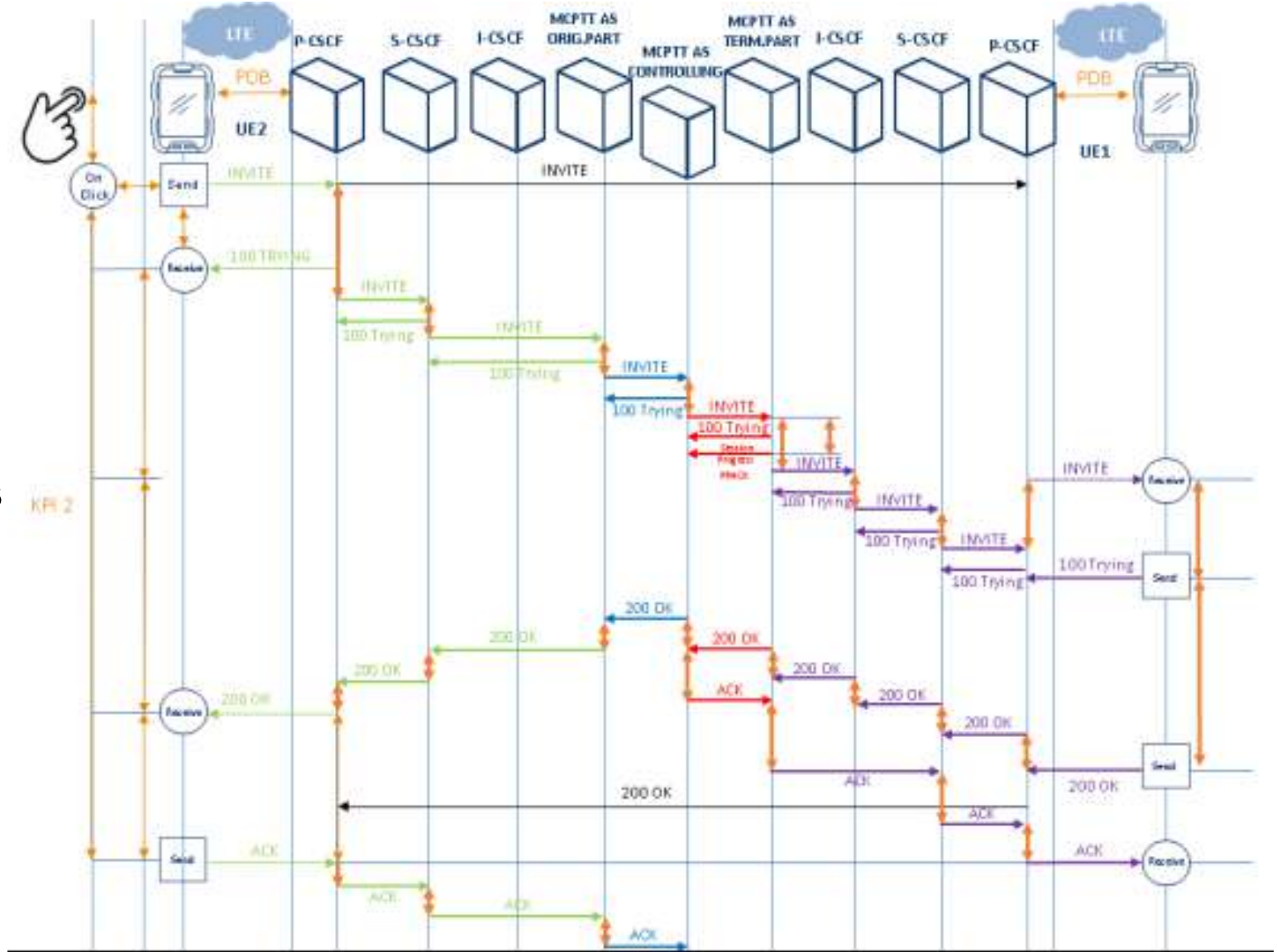
KPI1

Year 1 results: 110-250ms
Year 2 results: 110-250ms
Standard limitation: 300ms



KPI2

Year 1 results: 660ms
Year 2 results: >500ms
Standard limitation: 1000ms

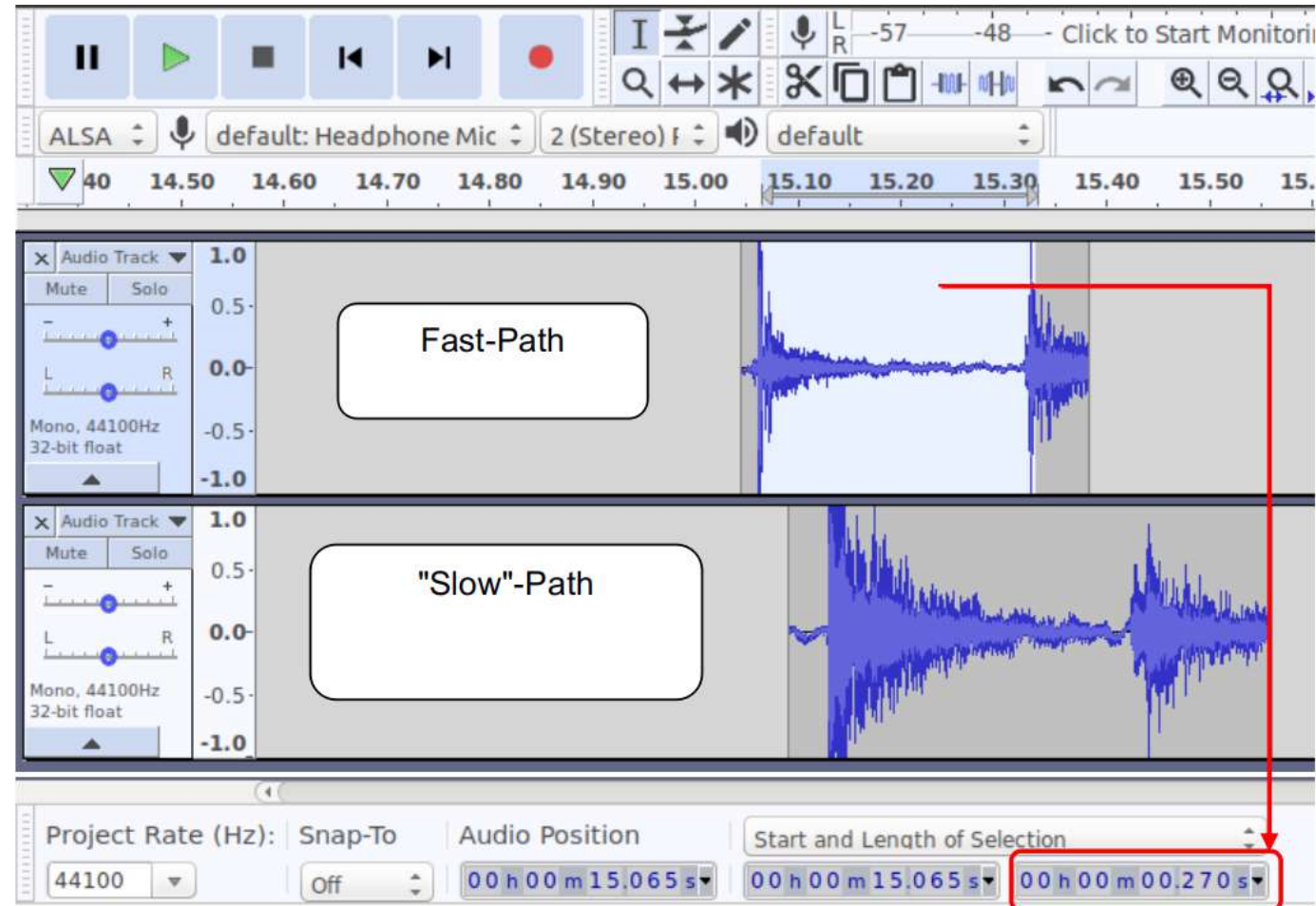
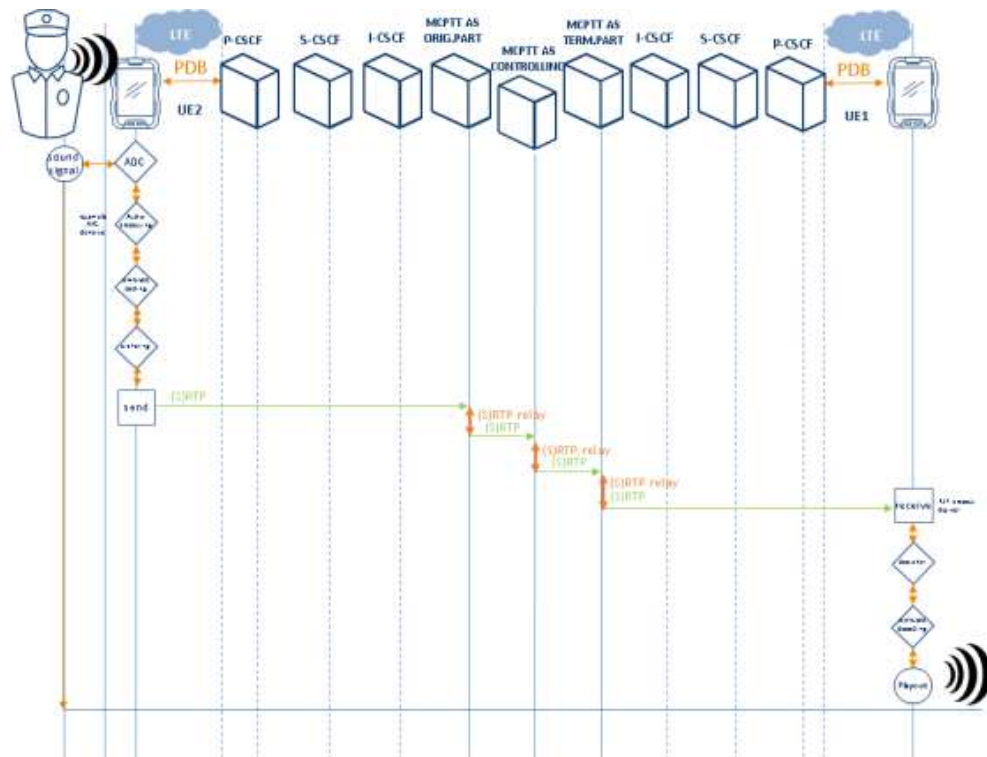


KPI3

Year 1 results: 450ms

Year 2 results: 260-310ms

Standard limitation: 300ms



POLQA

Year 1 results: Unregistered
Year 2 results: 4.26
Standard limitation: >3

ETSI 2nd MCPTT PLUGTESTS | June 2018

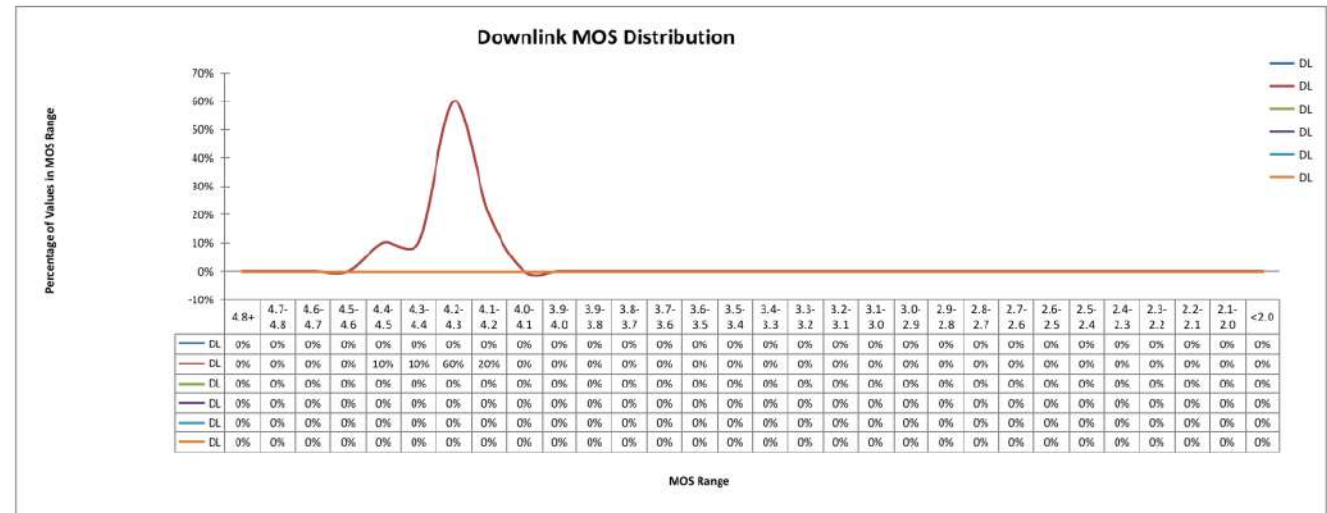
Audio Quality Mean Opinion Score (MOS) Performance Report



Nemergent

Results show the composite score for 10 samples obtained over 200 seconds of test time as measured via Umetrix Voice evaluation system. (Note the standard report accommodates up to 6 channels, but only two downlink channels were used for this testing.)

	Downlink MOS						Uplink MOS					
	DL	DL	DL	DL	DL	DL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL
Average		4.26										
Standard Deviation		0.07										
Maximum Score	0.00	4.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Count	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% MOS greater than or equal to 3.2		100.00%										
% MOS less than 3.0		0.00%										
% MOS less than 2.0		0.00%										
% MOS less than or equal to 1.8		0.00%										
Scoring Algorithm	POLQA	POLQA					POLQA	POLQA				
Narrowband Ratio		0%										
Wideband Ratio		100%										



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Testing platforms

- Online platform for Atlantic City Police Department
- Online platform for Fairfax
- Online platform for Sonim
- Online platform for MCOP
- Integration with Enensys/Expway EPC
- Integration with Polaris EPC and One2many multicast module (NIST/PSCR Boulder Labs, CO)
- All-in-one LTE+MCPTT deployable platform (NIST/PSCR Boulder Labs, CO)
- Installation and integration of MCPTT enabler in Boulder premises as pre-standardized inter-working function (IWF) with P25 legacy network.

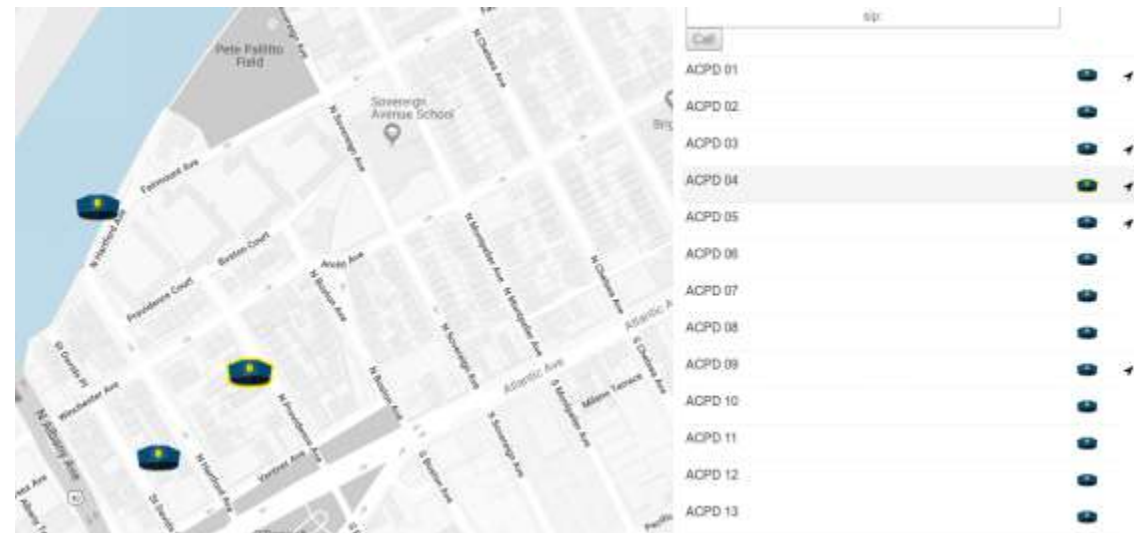
Atlantic City Police Department (ACPD)

Tests started the 23rd of May

First-hand feedback received

Questionnaire circulated

Plan to have a post-mortem
meeting with proposed changes
in the MCS client



First-responder experience with MCS system

1.- How easy is the MCS client to use? 4

(considering 1: Very hard, 2: Hard, 3: Neutral, 4: Easy and 5: Very easy)

Could you elaborate?

After minimal training we found all users were able to operate the MCS client with relative ease.

2.- In your previous experience with public safety communications, what do you miss most? Is the interoperability with other agencies a desirable feature?

Compared to a standard radio I miss the knobs on the top of the radio making turning the device on/off, volume control and switching channels easy and effortless. The speaker mic was not useful on the MCS as you did not know who you were calling/answering without looking at the display.

Interoperability with other agencies is an extremely desirable feature.

3.- Which feature of the MCS client is the most important in your daily life? Why?

Coverage area is extremely important. Need the MCS to work when needed inside of buildings and throughout the city. This is important for officer safety. The MCS did not function when the bandwidth was congested during the Beach Concerts; whereas the phone and text messaging worked without issue on the FirstNet system.

4.- Which feature of the MCS client is the least important in your daily life? Why?

1)The MCS did not allow attachments (photo) and you had to leave the application to share a photo (although the video worked well).

2) The main problem with the MCS client was the creation of an 'Open Mic'. A single touch of the user to be called created an open mic (transmitting without keying the PTT) and the user could be unaware. This was very problematic and should be ELIMINATED.

5.- Is there any feature that you would strongly recommend us to add? Why?

1) Addition of an ALERT feature to signal the recipient of the call. Very useful in a high noise environment and to show an attempted call was missed.

2) Ability to share attachment in the application (photo) without exiting.

3) Ability to use the application with others not on a Sonim platform (restricts available users).

4) Administration portal to clone or set up all users remotely, and not have to program each device individually. Items like changing alias names, talk groups, settings etc.

Attachment to the phone with knobs similar to a traditional radio.

6.- In the experience with the MCS client, please, describe a situation where the product was useful.

The product was useful during the beach concerts in Atlantic City. Our SWAT team utilized the sonim phones with MCS client to communicate amongst each other. The Firstnet network worked flawlessly while the traditional cellular networks were experiencing congestion issues making phone calls difficult. We had no issues on the FirstNet network.

7.- Do you foresee the future utilization of the MCS client? Do you want to be involved in the evolution of the MCS client?

Yes, if it is improved. and Yes.

8.- Could you describe a real issue in the field that could be solved with enhanced communications but yet, you have not found the appropriate product/solution?

With our current traditional radio network we are unable to communicate with other agencies if their radio channels were no preprogrammed into our radio or a patch is not initiated. Need a more robust with the ability to add in users without any advanced notice.

9.- Would you recommend the MCS client to other first-responders?

Yes, if improved.

10.- Rate the overall experience.

(considering 1: Very bad, 2: Bad, 3: Neutral, 4: Good and 5: Very good) 4

Could you elaborate?

Was a good experience, with further enhancements this product could be very useful to law enforcement. Some features of the ATT Client application should be examined.

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Berlin, Germany
18-21 September 2018



- **Frequentis dispatch system**
- **LTE-in-a-box**
- **Nemergent MCPTT**
- **SONIM XP8**





EVENTS

Barcelona, Spain
25-28 February 2019



- First event with adapted MCPTT/MCS client to MCOP interfaces
- LTE-in-a-box (with eMBMB support)
- Nemergent MCS
- SONIM XP8



Las Vegas, NV
6-7 March 2019



- Focused on showing Rel14 MCVideo and MCDData
- LTE-in-a-box (with eMBMBS support)
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PSIAP work - Dissemination



Coventry, UK
12-13 March 2019



- Multi-technology and cross-device MCPTT system
- Nemergent MCS
- SONIM XP5, XP8, Bittium, Telo, P25 devices, ...



Malaga, Spain
6-7 May 2019



- Influence in European projects
- Focused on providing technology for first-responders
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EVENTS

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
18-20 June 2019



- Enhanced MCS OAM interface
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Second Year Progress – Highlights – Platform Integrations

- **Service Integration**
 - Completed 100% of planned deliverables
- **Mission Critical Experience**
 - Completed 100% of planned deliverables
- **MCPTT Server Components**
 - Completed 100% of planned deliverables
- **Testing**
 - Completed 100% of:
 - Integration Testing Definition
 - Interoperability Testing (through 3rd ETSI Plugtest)
 - 90% of planned field testing
 - 90% of planned test reports

* Plan is to complete all field testing and test reports by 9/2/2019

Deliverable	Percentage Complete %	Planned Completion Date
Service Integration		
PTT App Integration on UE	100	4-Aug-17
APN for data connection	100	14-Sep-17
MCPTT Integration - Service Level	100	Jun 18 2018
QCI integration	100	Apr 20 2018
E2E Broadcast Services SDK	100	Jun 18 2018
Service Level Integration SDK Pkg	100	Jun 18 2018
Mission Critical Experience		
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PTT Android framework modifications	100	Apr 20 2018
PTT SDK / guide	100	March 31 2019
PTT Audio path demo / guide	100	Jan 31 2019
CSM - Generic API	100	March 28 2018
CSM Accessory Prototype for UE	100	Jan 05 2018
MCPTT integration with CSM	100	Apr 23 2018
CSM SDK Pkg	100	Feb 03 2018
KPI Improvements	100	March 31 2019
Presence	100	Apr 20 2019
Professionally designed UX/UI	100	Mar 31 2019
MCPTT Server Components		
First Release of MCPTT System	100	September 29 2018
Second Release of MCPTT Management Servers	100	December 31 2018 (tentative- 3GPP specs still in progress)
Second release of MCPTT AS	100	Feb 27 2019
Testing		
Integration Testing (Definition)	100	December 31 2018
Interoperability Testing	100	June 30, 2019 (expected / 2019 MCPTT Plugtest)
Field Testing	90	April 30, 2019 – August – 2019
Test Reports	90	Monday, September 2, 2019

Legend

- TBD
- Completed
- In Progress

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Small scale / Portable demo

Portable MCPTT + IMS system

SW-based SDR LTE system

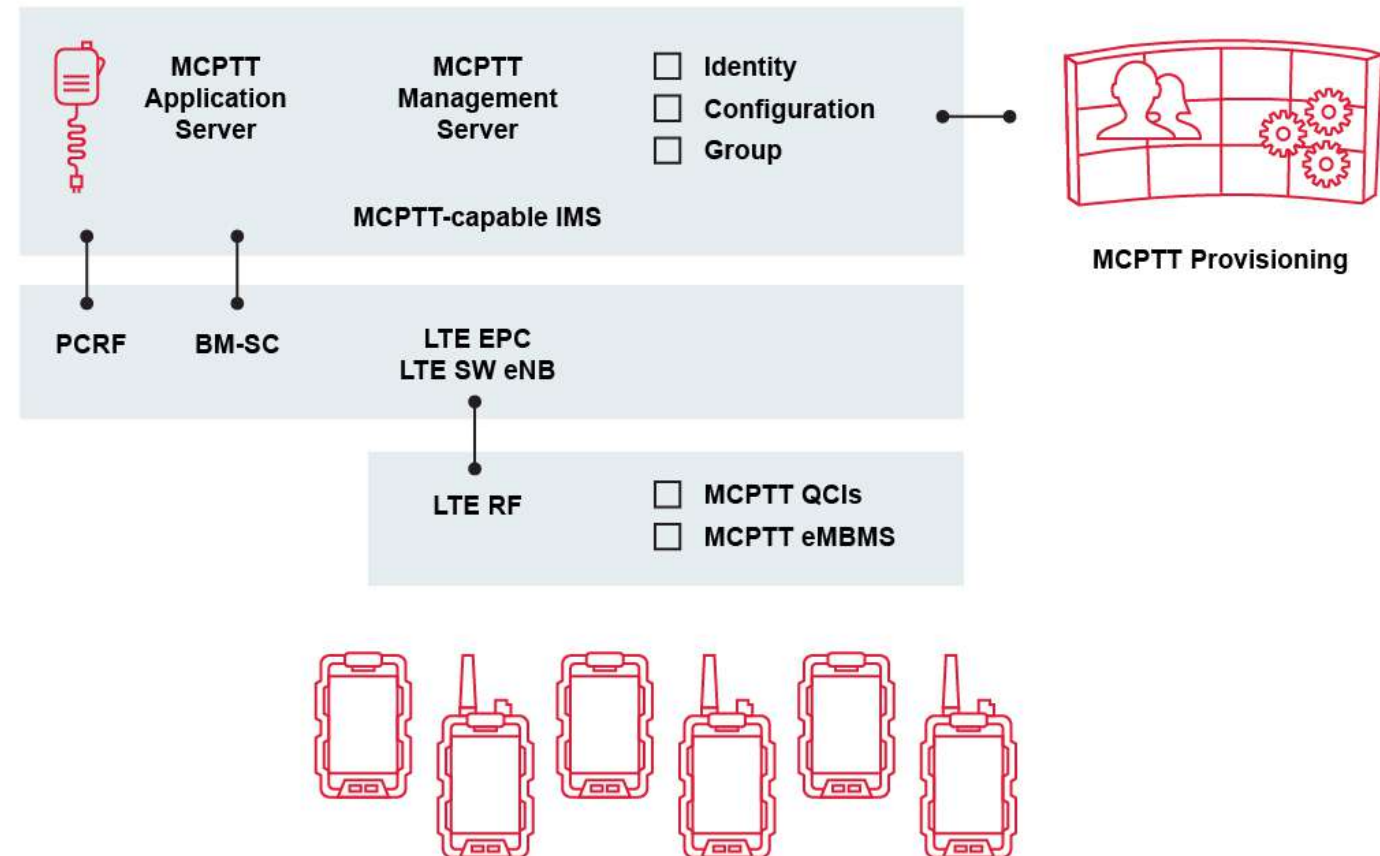
MCPTT compliant UEs

3GPP QoS support - QCI 65 and 69

3GPP eMBMS support

MCPTT GUIs (client, OAM, dispatch)

Protocol traces



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