# SOLUTIONS FOR SMART VIDEO CONNECTIVITY

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# TV VIEWER EXPECTATIONS ARE CHANGING: "ADVANCED TV EXPERIENCE"

### **ANY SCREEN**

### **ANY TIME**

# INCREASED QUALITY

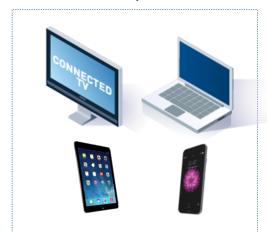
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**Today** 





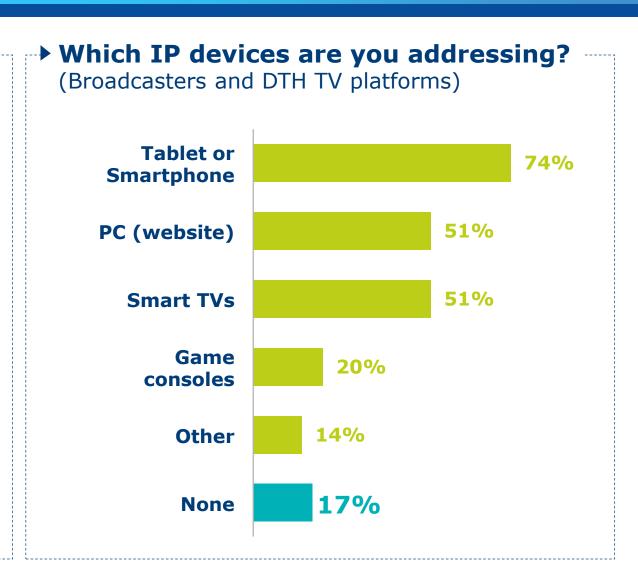
**→** Interactivity





# TV ACTORS COMPLEMENT THEIR BROADCAST SERVICES WITH OTT SERVICES TO FOLLOW MULTISCREEN AND ON-DEMAND TRENDS

- **→** How to address all the viewers expectations?
- **Challenges:** 
  - → Watch TV on a PC or tablet
  - → Long-tail catalogue for video on demand
  - **→** ...
- **Reaction as of today:** 
  - → To maintain user experience excellence, most TV platforms complemented their linear **broadcast** offer...
  - → ... with <u>new services</u> based on **broadband** infrastructure (OTT)



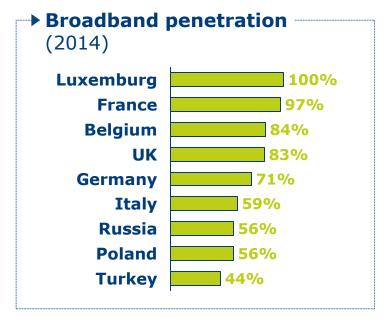


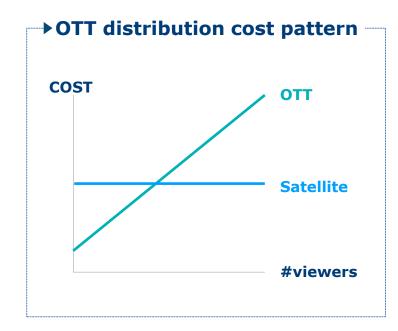
# WHILE USAGES INCREASE, OTT VIDEO DISTRIBUTION SHOWS SEVERAL WEAKNESSES

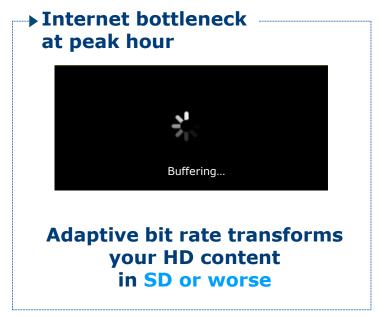
- Inability to reach the entire population
  - → Lower image quality ...
  - → ... Or even no video service at all

- Growing distribution costs
  - → CDN costs increase with the audience

- Lower quality of service, especially at peak hour
  - → Broadband networks saturated by OTT demands



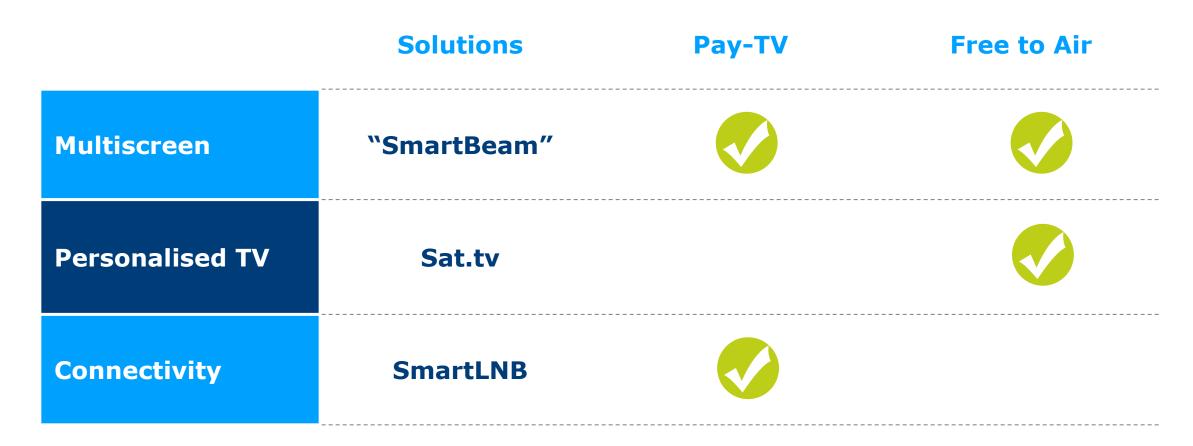






# NEW SOLUTIONS EXIST TO LEVERAGE SATELLITE FOR "ADVANCED TV EXPERIENCE"

### **▶** Eutelsat innovations in new TV experiences



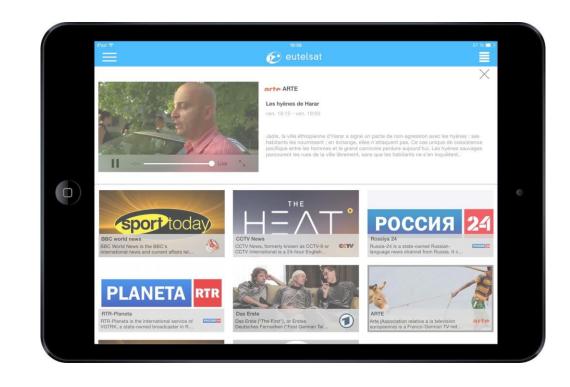




- **→** SmartBeam
- → Sat.tv
- → SmartLNB

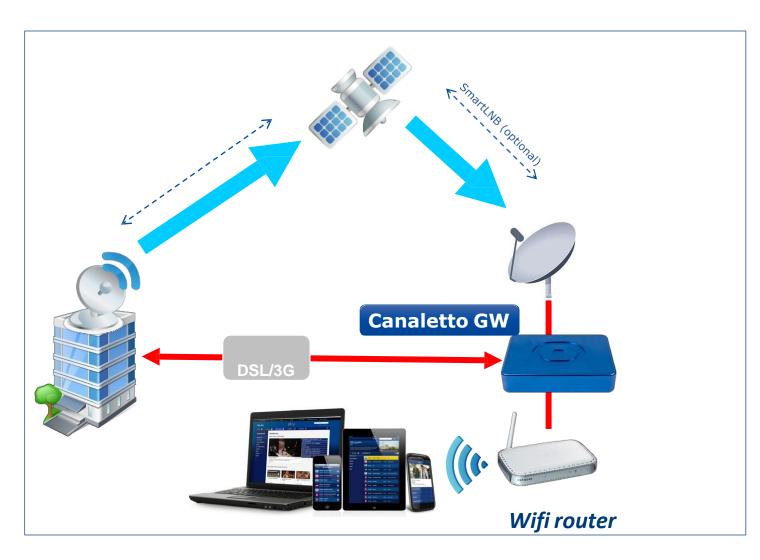
# SMARTBEAM: IP-NATIVE MULTISCREEN DISTRIBUTION VIA SATELLITE

- Based on native IP technologies, this platform paves the way to:
  - → Distribute dedicated content optimized for portable devices
  - → Reach end-users both at home and in public spaces
- Distribution service seamlessly integrated into existing broadcaster OTT apps
- A Eutelsat user-friendly app is available on iOS and Android





### **HOW DOES IT WORK**



#### ON THE TRANSMIT SIDE

- Live streams are encoded in H264 and conveyed through a HLS server
- An IP encapsulator (using DVB MPE) and a standard DVB-S2 platform are used to broadcast the encoded channels via Eutelsat's satellites

#### ON THE RECEIVE SIDE

- The channels are received in multicacst via a traditional satellite dish and connected to a SmatBeam gateway
- SmartBeam GW receives the DVB transport stream, extracts the relevant IP packets and conveys them to a standard Wi-Fi access point, which provides the direct delivery to the smartphones and tablets
- A terrestrial return link (DSL/3G) allows to collect precise audience statistics and to exchange DRM keys for protected content
- As an option, SmartLNB can be used as a cost effective return-link when no terrestrial link is available



## TWO KEY USE CASES: "AT HOME" AND "PUBLIC SPACES"

#### **→** AT HOME



- Receive video content optimized for watching on a smartphone or tablet
- Watch TV easily, everywhere at home. Independently of the availability and quality of terrestrial networks
- Do not incur volume limitations or in additional mobile data traffic costs

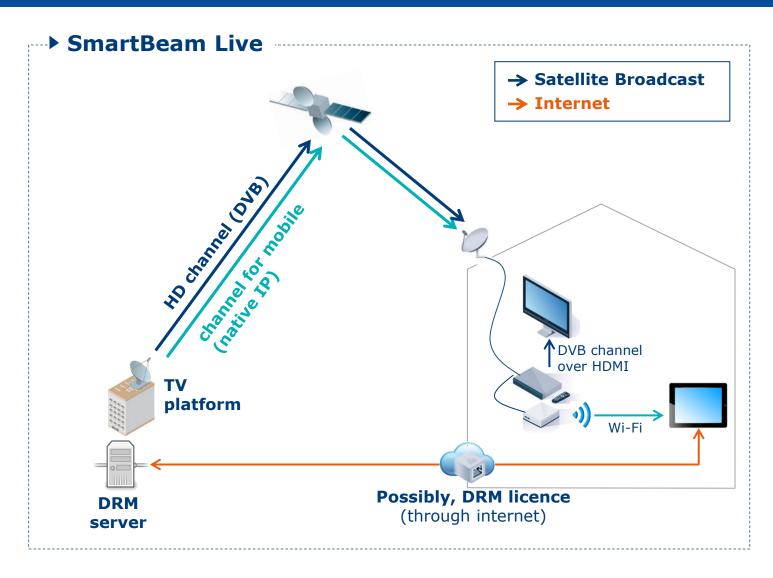
### **→ PUBLIC SPACES**





- Watch TV on a tablet while e.g. relaxing at a hotel or waiting for a plane
- A large number of users can simultaneously watch different channels
- Tenants of public spaces (hotels, airports, shopping malls, hospitals...) can improve their attractiveness and better retain their customer

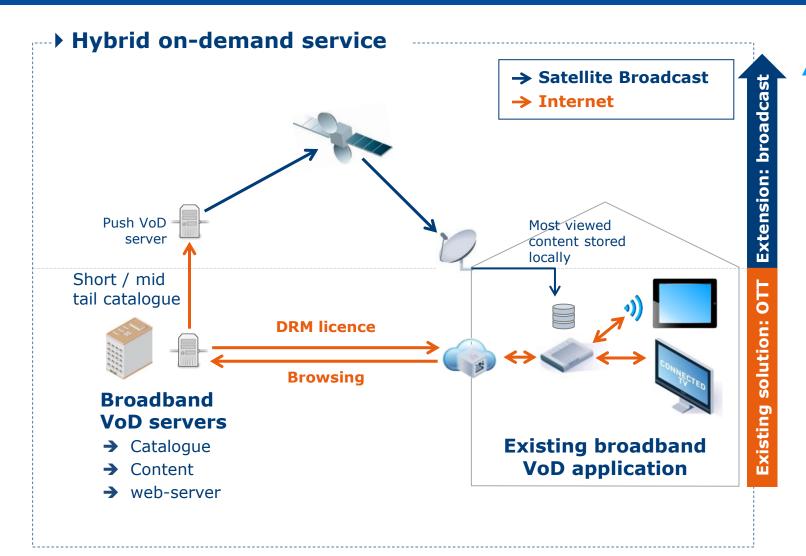
### **SMARTBEAM LIVE**



- IP native channel, simulcast with existing DVB channel
  - → Streaming format (HLS, Dash ...)
  - → FTA or protected with a DRM
- Modifications to distribution chain
  - → Dedicated head-end, packaging existing OTT live streams
  - → CPE: adds a specific function to convert multicast to unicast
  - → Address existing OTT app, with minimal impact (add STP identification in the LAN)
- Deliver video streams tailored to second screen
  - → e.g. complementary content to main channels (alternate angle / camera in a sport event)



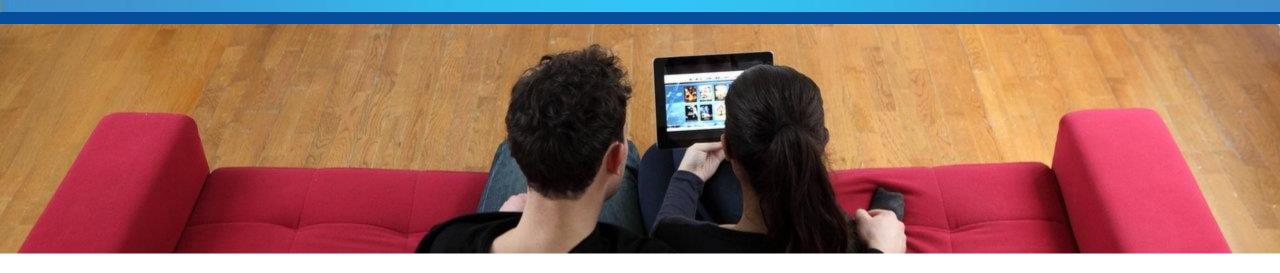
# SMARTBEAM ON-DEMAND: INTEGRATE SEAMLESSLY BROADCAST CAPABILITIES IN EXISTING OTT SERVICE



#### SmartBeam on-demand

- → Distribute via satellite, store content locally, pre-packaged for tablets/PCs, ready for immediate viewing, ...
- → ... fully compatible with existing OTT VoD services:
  - → same back-end (incl. DRM)
  - → Same customer applications
  - → Access to long-tail catalogue through internet (in lower quality)





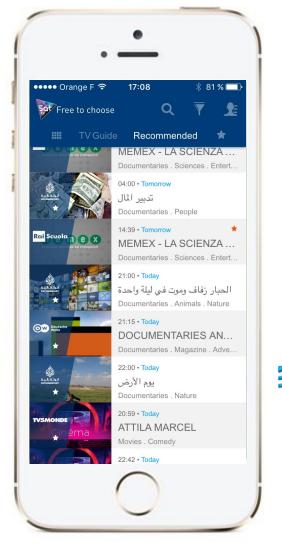
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# EUTELSAT IS TRANSFORMING HOT BIRD FTA EXPERIENCE INTO A MODERN USER-CENTRIC ONE

- "Sat.tv" project on HOT BIRD
- TV program guide covering all Free to Air channels on HOT BIRD
- Available on smartphone, tablet and PC
- Embeds rich programme information
  - **→** Programme images
  - → Classified by genre, theme, language, ...
  - → Link to additional (non linear) content
- Included services
  - → Recommendation engine
  - → Alerts/PVR-record on relevant content, favourite series
  - → Zap on a selected program from the app

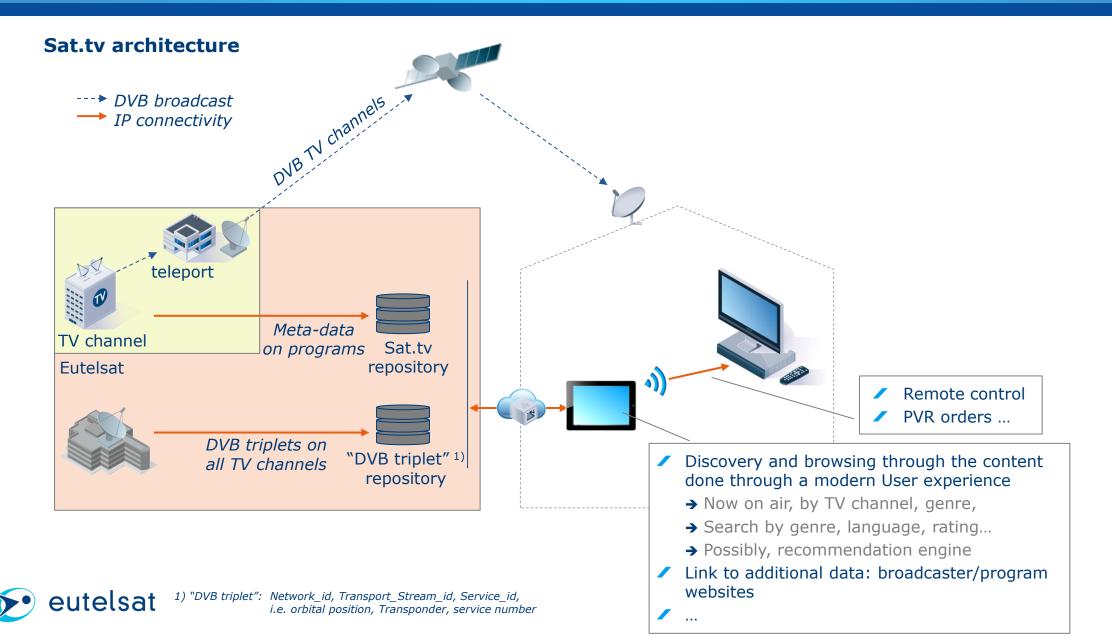






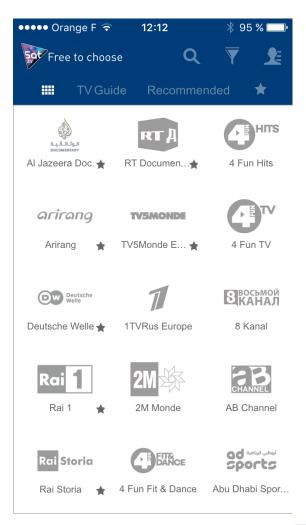


# THE SYSTEM COMPLEMENTS BROADCAST WITH METADATA ACCESSIBLE THROUGH AN INTERNET-ENABLED DEVICE

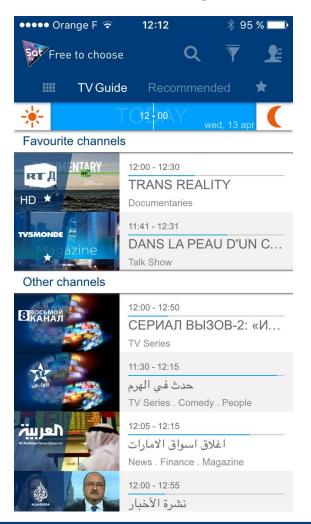


# THE APP OFFERS 3 WAYS OF BROWSING THROUGH THE CONTENT

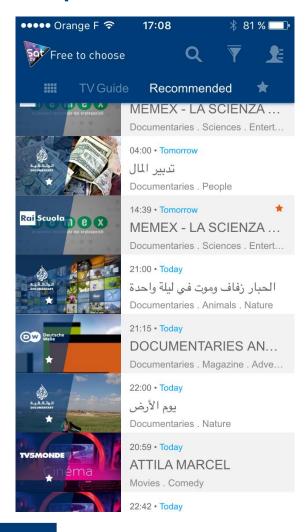
#### **Mosaic of TV channels**



#### TV channel grid



#### **User specific recommendations**







- → SmartBeam
- → Sat.tv
- → SmartLNB



### **SMARTLNB VALUE PROPOSITION**

- Smart LNB provides direct broadcast reception in DVB and IP format + a low cost two way IP connection via satellite
  - → Everywhere
  - → Anytime
- Smart LNB enables a multitude of new services via satellite
  - → Secure Push VOD
    - → Providing 1000's of titles with HD quality
  - → Secure IP Multiscreen
    - → Addressing tablets and smartphones
  - → Customer intelligence
    - → Knowing who is doing what in real time
  - → Internet of Things (IoT)
    - → Customers can manage their homes in real time







# THE SMART LNB ENVIRONMENT





### **SET TOP BOX EXAMPLES**

#### **Basic Splitter**



- Smart LNB power supply
- Ethernet interface
- L-band over F connector output
- No CPU only Ethernet over coax splitter
- Push & Multicast to Unicast client installed in legacy STB

# Home Gateway (e.g. SmartBeam Gateway)



- Smart LNB power supply
- CPU
- Push & Multicast to Unicast client
- USB connector for external Hard Drive
- Ethernet interface
- L-band over F connector output
- No HDMT
- No content player

### **Advanced Home Gateway**



- Smart LNB power supply
- CPU
- Push & Multicast to Unicast client
- Internal slot for HDD
- H264/H265/HEVC player
- HDMI output
- Ethernet interface
- WiFi Access Point
- L-band over F connector output
- DVB S2 single tuner
- Optional Home automation access point

< 10 € ex factory

~20 € ex factory

~ 50 € ex factory



### **BROADCASTING EXAMPLE: PUSH VOD VIA SATELLITE**

### Example of offered services



- → Catalogue of movies sent in "push" (datacast) to terminals equipped with storage
- → When customer plays content, key exchange with DRM server ensured via the SmartLNB

### ▶ Push VOD via satellite

- → HD VOD everywhere
  - → Independent of the fixed internet line availability and quality
  - → Best user experience: No image freeze or macro-bloc effect
- → Available on every screens at home
  - → Use of DRM protection allows to watch content on smartphones and tablets
  - → Access on the main screen via an App
- → Customer intelligence De-Facto available
  - → Profiling of end users allows to provide the best content

With 1 Txp + 5MHz, the system can handle 1.2M subscribers, and a catalog of 600 movies



### **BROADCASTNG EXAMPLE: OTT VIA SATELLITE**

**▶** Example of offered services





- → OTT live streaming via satellite
- → Multiscreen of IP streams to tablets and smartphones

- OTT services for all
- → Same model than Push VOD except that the content is live TV
- → Compatible with a large majority of end user devices (use of HLS)
- → Economically viable for broadcasters depending on number of viewers
  - → Save CDN costs for the most viewed channels
- → QoS is ensured by the satellite link robustness
- → Reuse the existing infrastructure (DRM, Mobile application,...)



# **EUTELSAT'A SMART HOME VIA SATELLITE**





