



# AI@EDGE: A Secure and Reusable Artificial Intelligence Platform for Edge Computing

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Artificial Intelligent Systems are irreversibly set on the evolutionary path of every object and service we humans will interact with in the near future

Telecom operators have the opportunity to fill a central role in providing an ecosystem of Artificial Intelligence (AI)-enabled applications

Cloud and networks are already converging at several technological levels

Cloud domain fundamentally centralized with few large data-centres deployed at key locations / telcos manage vastly distributed infrastructures

AI/ML has key role in converging connectivity and computing: better automation, increased performance, and decreased TTM of new features

Subsystems of future access, edge, core and cloud systems CANNOT employ distinct and separated AI tools and datasets

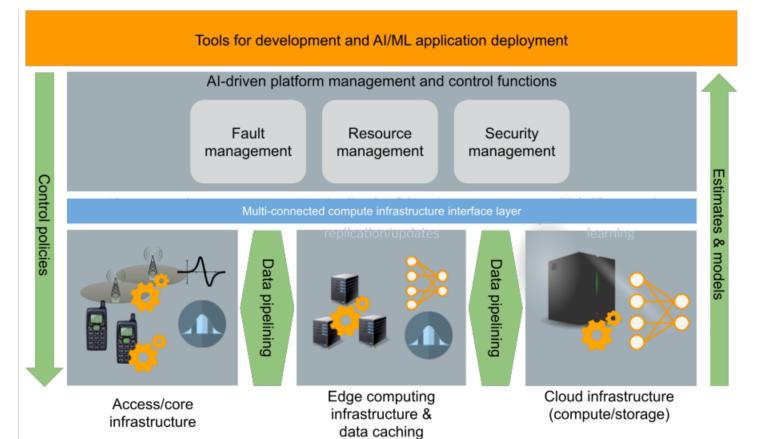
Edge native AI is only possible if a dynamic edge orchestration platform is in place

A transition is needed from xG towards an evolvable smart network



#### AI@EDGE Objectives





# **AI4Network**

#### AI@EDGE Breakthroughs

AI/ML for closed loop automation (AI4Networks - WP3)

Privacy preserving, machine learning for multi-stakeholder environments (AI4Networks - WP3)

Distributed and decentralized connect-compute platform (Networks4AI - WP4)

Provisioning of Al-enabled applications (Networks4Al - WP4)

Hardware-accelerated serverless platform for AI/ML (Networks4AI - WP4)

Cross-layer, multi-connectivity and disaggregated radio access (Networks4AI - WP4)



### **Enter Artificial Intelligence Functions**

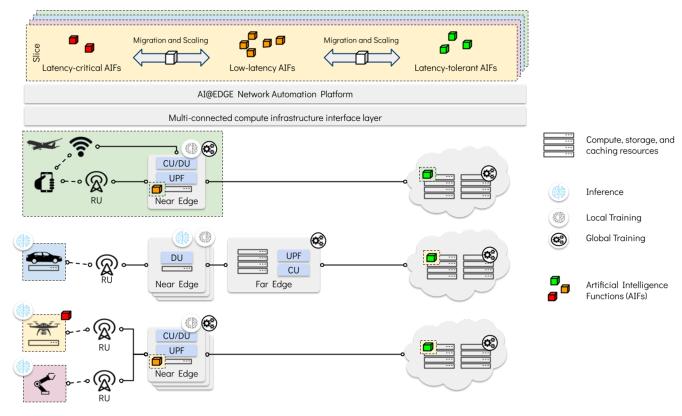


AI/ML for closed loop automation (AI4Networks - WP3)



### Al@EDGE Concept







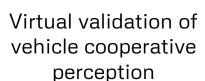
### Intermedia Architecture













Secure and resilient orchestration of (I)IoT networks



Edge assisted monitoring of linear infrastructures



Content curation for in-flight media services













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Breakthrough	UC1	UC2	UC3	UC4
Distributed and decentralized serverless connect-compute platform	Х	Х	Х	Х
Al-enabled application provisioning	Х	Х	Х	Х
Cross-layer, multi-connectivity radio access				Х
Hardware accelerated serverless platform for AI/ML			Х	Х
Network and service automation platform	Х	Х	Х	
Secure, reusable, and resilient machine learning for multi-stakeholder environments		Х		





ICT-52 Smart Connectivity beyond 5G

• 19 Partners from 8 EU Countries

Total project budget: 8 ME

Requested Funding: 8 ME

• Project Duration: 36 Months







### **Conclusions**

Reusable, secure, and Privacy aware AI/ML Layer

Automation platform for zero touch management of network and services

AI-enabled application as composition of AIFs

High Impact, Industry relevant Use Cases





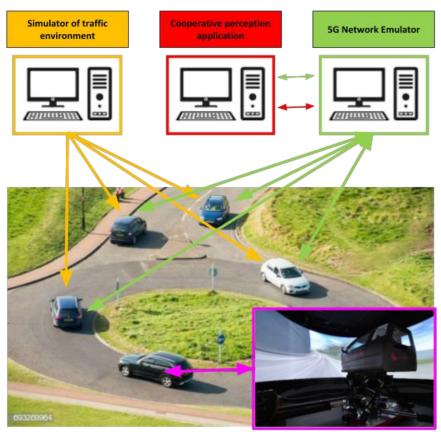
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# UC1: Virtual validation of vehicle cooperative perception



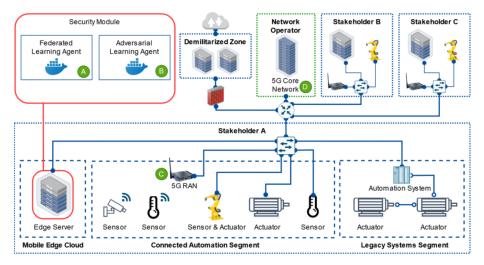
КРІ	Goal
Vehicle density	1,200 vehicles/km2 at 20km/h
Sensors fusion latency	Total from sensor detection to Vehicle including sensor fusion on edge < 10 ms
Communication reliability	from 99.9% to 99.9999%
Range	Up to 500m





# UC2: Secure and resilient orchestration of large (I)IoT networks





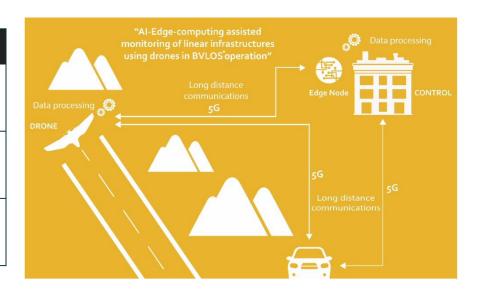
КРІ	Goal
Zero-day detection	Capability to detect unknown attacks based on detection models trained on edge nodes
End-to-end latency	Minimal to no effect on the monitored communication
Fast detection	Local within 1s, global within 1m
Robust Als	< 5% detection rate decrease against adv. samples



# UC3: Edge AI assisted monitoring of linear infrastructures using drones in BVLOS operation



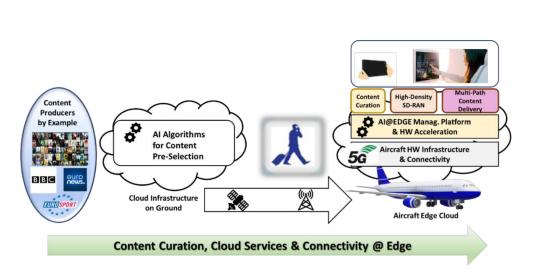
КРІ	Goal
Drone operation	Drone capable of integrating developed functionalities and running operations according to regulations for the pilot tests
Range	Prepared to reach at least 20 km (according to the state of 5G technology and deployment at the trials)
Integration of Al-assisted drone framework on the 5G network	Detecting incident through AI analysis processed on-board and at edge-node to generate response action from centralized control station





## UC4: Smart content & data curation for in-flight entertainment services





КРІ	Goal
Data rate/client	At least 25 Mbit/s per passenger for 4K video streaming
Aggregate in-cabin throughput density	At least 20 Mbit/s/sqm.
Service deployment time	Less than 180 seconds
Curated content delivery time (production and distribution)	Less than 180 seconds
Service recovery time	Less than 30 seconds
Number of served passengers	At least 12 for demonstration



#### Distributing training/inference tasks





Inference

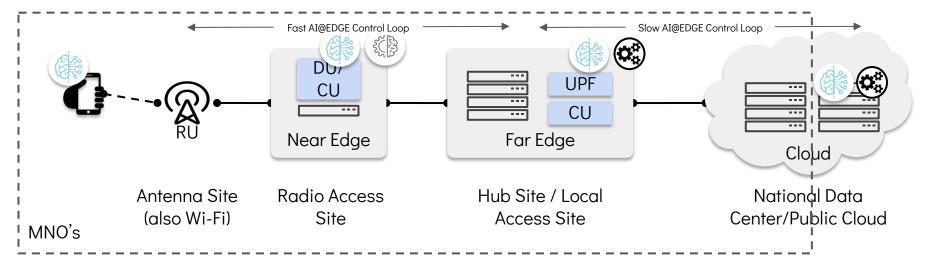


Local Training



Global Training

- Current AI-applications do most of the heavy lifting in public clouds leaving the user terminals in charge of UI and visualization (many app will still work like this)
- Latency/privacy/bitrate bound applications can benefits from a decomposition of the ML tasks across user, edge, and cloud.





#### Distributing Al-enabled applications





Artificial Intelligence Functions (AIFs)



Inference



Local Training



Global Training

- AI@EDGE introduces the concept of Artificial Intelligence Functions (AIF) to refer to the AI-enabled end-to-end application sub components that can be deployed
- AIFs will be realized using a combination of classical (VM) and cloud-native
   (Containers, FaaS) virtualization techniques. Hardware acceleration is considered.

