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News Release

SingTel, KBZ and M-Tel to transform lives of Myanmar people

- *SingTel consortium's proposal to bring quality communications and value-added services at affordable prices to the people of Myanmar*
- *Consortium's proposal far exceeds government requirements in many aspects, including network coverage for 95% of population in 36 months*
- *Myanmar to gain extensive international connectivity through SingTel's global network*
- *SingTel to invite Myanmar to participate in future satellite feasibility studies and investments in submarine cables*
- *Consortium's investment to create jobs, boost economy and attract foreign direct investments*

Yangon, Myanmar, 11 June 2013 – Singapore Telecommunications Limited (SingTel) and its partners – KBZ Group and Myanmar Telephone Company (M-Tel) – today announced ground-breaking plans to develop the telecommunications industry in Myanmar. The consortium's proposal far exceeds the Union Government of Myanmar's requirements in many areas, including network coverage plans and service prices.

The consortium is committed to building a world-class mobile network, which will cover 95% of Myanmar population in 36 months, and bringing them affordable mobile services. Both urban and rural customers can look forward to a superior customer experience as well as innovative products and services that would transform the way they live, work and play.

SingTel has extensive operating experience in both developed and emerging markets like Indonesia, India, Thailand and the Philippines. It has a proven track record in operating fixed and mobile networks, and serves 468 million mobile customers. Together with the KBZ Group and M-Tel, which possess strong local presence and knowledge, the consortium is well-positioned to build a quality network that connects people, promotes business activities and spurs economic development.

Through SingTel's state-of-the-art satellites and submarine cables, Myanmar will gain immediate connectivity to an extensive international network and be part of future international infrastructure projects. With enhanced global connectivity, Myanmar will be able to attract and support new business investments into the country.

To accelerate Myanmar's development of its own international infrastructure, SingTel will invite the government to participate in feasibility studies for future satellite programmes and lend its assistance in the launch of a Myanmar national satellite. In addition, SingTel, as one of the lead parties planning the Southeast Asia-Middle East-West Europe (SEA-ME-WE)¹ 5 submarine cable, will promote the inclusion of Myanmar to participate in the planning of the project. This is similar to the support SingTel extended to Myanmar during the planning and construction of SEA-ME-WE 3.

¹ SEA-ME-WE is a submarine cable system project. The SMW5 will be a state of the art, high speed submarine cable system; inter connecting Asia Pacific to Western Europe via Middle East and further connecting Africa through Kenya.

Besides infrastructural development, the consortium is also committed to creating employment opportunities and imparting global best practices in people development, marketing, customer service, operations and corporate governance to grow the local business.

Mr Mark Chong, SingTel CEO International, Group Consumer, said: "With SingTel's vast operations in many parts of the world, our knowledge in building new infrastructure and services from the ground up is unrivalled. Myanmar and Singapore are friends in ASEAN. We want to bring more than just a domestic telecom infrastructure. We will bring international connectivity and innovative services that will improve the quality of lives of the people."

"There are wonderful opportunities opening up in Myanmar every day. With the strength of our local partners KBZ and M-TEL, we believe wholeheartedly that, through our investment, we can make a significant contribution to Myanmar's success story by driving service quality, innovation and employment, while attracting investments into other industries that require telecom services."

U Nyo Myint, Managing Director, KBZ Group said: "KBZ Group is one of the largest conglomerates in Myanmar and has connections with the country going back more than 20 years. Our experience on the ground running large companies provides us with unique insights into the local operating environment. We believe that the Consortium's proposal will elevate Myanmar to be able to compete against other global economies in the upcoming decade."

Mr Jonathan Myo Kyaw Thaung, CEO, M-Tel added: "We have 60 years' experience building businesses in this part of the world and are keen to support our country's economic reforms. We are very excited to be partnering with KBZ and an experienced communications company like SingTel. We believe the Consortium can play a meaningful role in Myanmar's exciting and fast-emerging economy."

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About SingTel

The SingTel Group is Asia's leading communications group. We provide a wide spectrum of multimedia and infocomms technology (ICT) solutions, including voice, data and video services over fixed and wireless platforms. Our main operations are in Singapore and Australia. Headquartered in Singapore, SingTel has more than 130 years of operating experience and has played a pivotal role in the country's development as a major communications hub.

We are a major communications player in Asia and Africa through our strategic investments in five regional mobile operators, namely Telkomsel (Indonesia), Globe Telecom (the Philippines), Advanced Info Service (Thailand) and PBTCL (Bangladesh). The Group also has investments in Bharti Airtel (India), which has significant presence in Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Africa.

We are a long term strategic investor and work closely with our associates to grow the business, by leveraging our scale in networks, customer reach and extensive operational experience. As at 31 March 2013, the Group served 468 million mobile customers around the world.

SingTel is largest listed company on the Singapore Exchange by market capitalisation. We are also listed on the Australian Securities Exchange following our acquisition of Optus in August 2001. The Group employs more than 21,000 staff worldwide.

About KBZ Group

KBZ Group is one of the largest conglomerates in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar. Its affiliates include KBZ Bank, the largest privately owned bank in the country, Air KBZ, a domestic airline and KBZ Industries, involved in cement and infrastructure development. KBZ Group's other affiliates are involved in jade and ruby mining businesses.

KBZ Bank, the most successful and largest private bank in the country, was established in 1994. KBZ Bank's long term objective is to participate in the growth of the country by expanding its banking services across more and more cities offering a portfolio of comprehensive products and services to businesses and consumers nationwide and in the region. KBZ Bank plays a strong role in nation building and has been the highest tax payer in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar for 2011 and the second highest in 2012.

KBZ Group has a strong domestic presence and an unquestioned commitment to quality, which support the company's operations and commercial diversity. Throughout its history of more than 20 years, KBZ Group has continuously sought to upgrade its businesses and improve quality across all business units in order to conform to international standards and effectively compete in the global market.

About Myanmar Telephone Company

Myanmar Telephone Co. Ltd. (M-Tel) is an entity incorporated in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar. M-Tel has a team of Myanmar telecoms specialists who provide superior local telecom knowledge and insights. M-Tel has also participated in key telecom infrastructure projects and has developed relationships with players across the value chain.

In addition to M-Tel's activities in the telecommunication sector, the company's affiliates also focus on real estate and agriculture industries (KT Group). The KT Group has more than 60 years' experience in setting up and managing businesses across various industries in Myanmar.



SingTel Consortium Presents:

Plans for Myanmar Telco Licence Bid

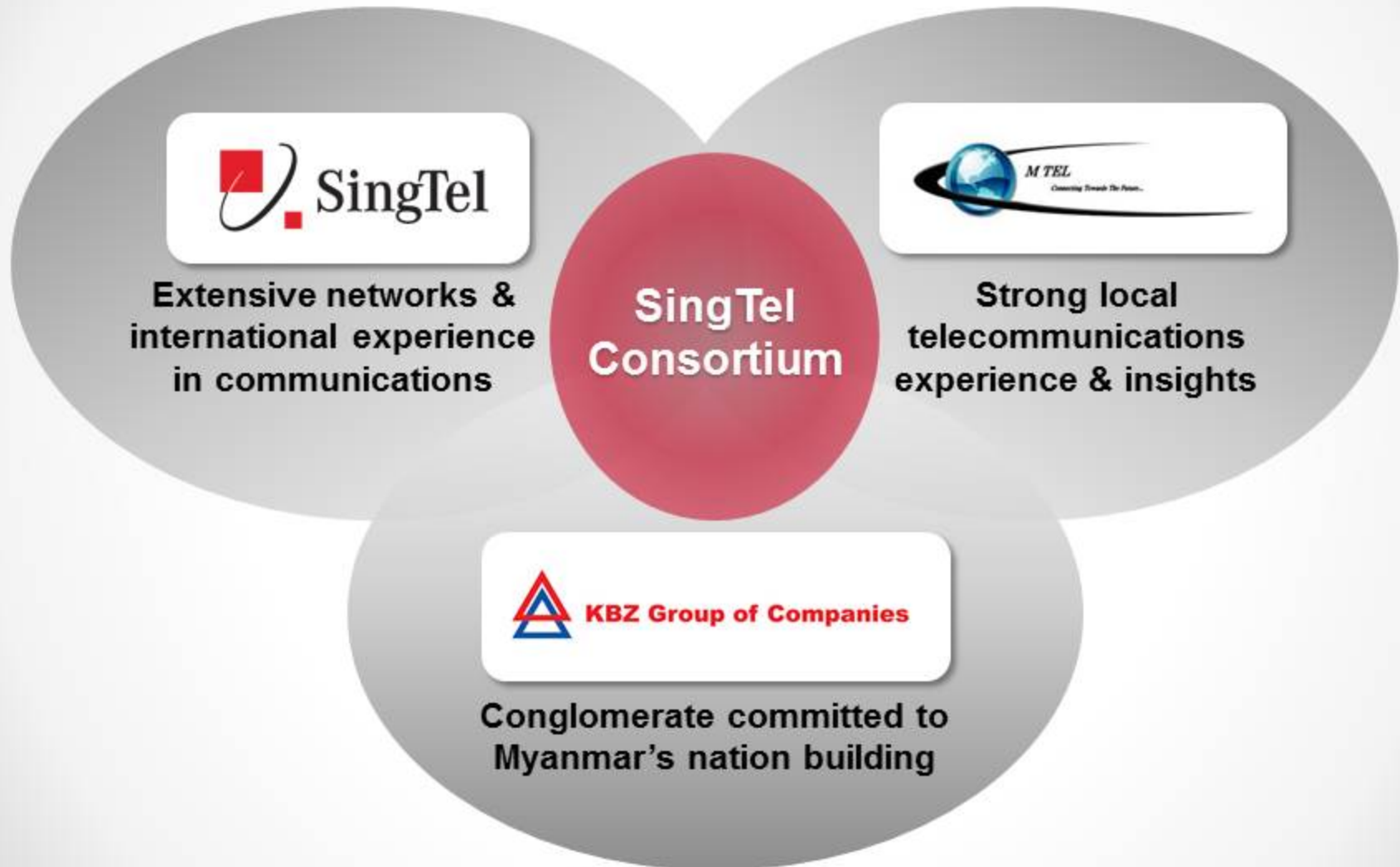


KBZ Group of Companies



Yangon, 11 June 2013

Unrivalled experience, long-term commitment to Myanmar



KBZ Group: **Commitment to Myanmar's nation building**



KBZ Group of Companies

- Over 20 years of business with diversified business interests: Largest private bank (KBZ Bank), Myanmar Airways International, Air KBZ, infrastructure and cement industries, jade & ruby mining
- One of first banks with Authorised Dealer Licence to operate foreign banking services
- Highest tax payer in Myanmar and recognised Corporate Governance practices



M-Tel:

Strong local telecommunications experience & insights



- Part of KT Group with over 1,000 employees in business of telecommunications, real estate and agriculture industries
- KT Group has more than 60 years experience in setting up and managing businesses across multiple industries in Myanmar
- Highly experienced in-country telecom experts who have supported Myanmar's key telecom infrastructure projects. Possess strong local telecoms knowledge, insights and network.

SingTel:

Extensive international experience in communications



- More than 130 years experience as ASEAN's largest telecommunications operator and Asia's leading communications company
- Accolades in business excellence, corporate governance and people development



Leveraging our Asian experience from 25 countries and 468 million mobile customers

- Invested over US\$16 billion in Asia and Africa
- Experienced operations in countries with large populations, vast geographical landscape, high rural population, low mobile penetration
- Advantage from Group-wide scale economies, innovations and technology

Presence in 17 countries in Africa

Trusted by 468 million mobile customers across 25 countries

#1 in India

#1 in Thailand

#2 in the Philippines

#1 in Singapore

#1 in Indonesia

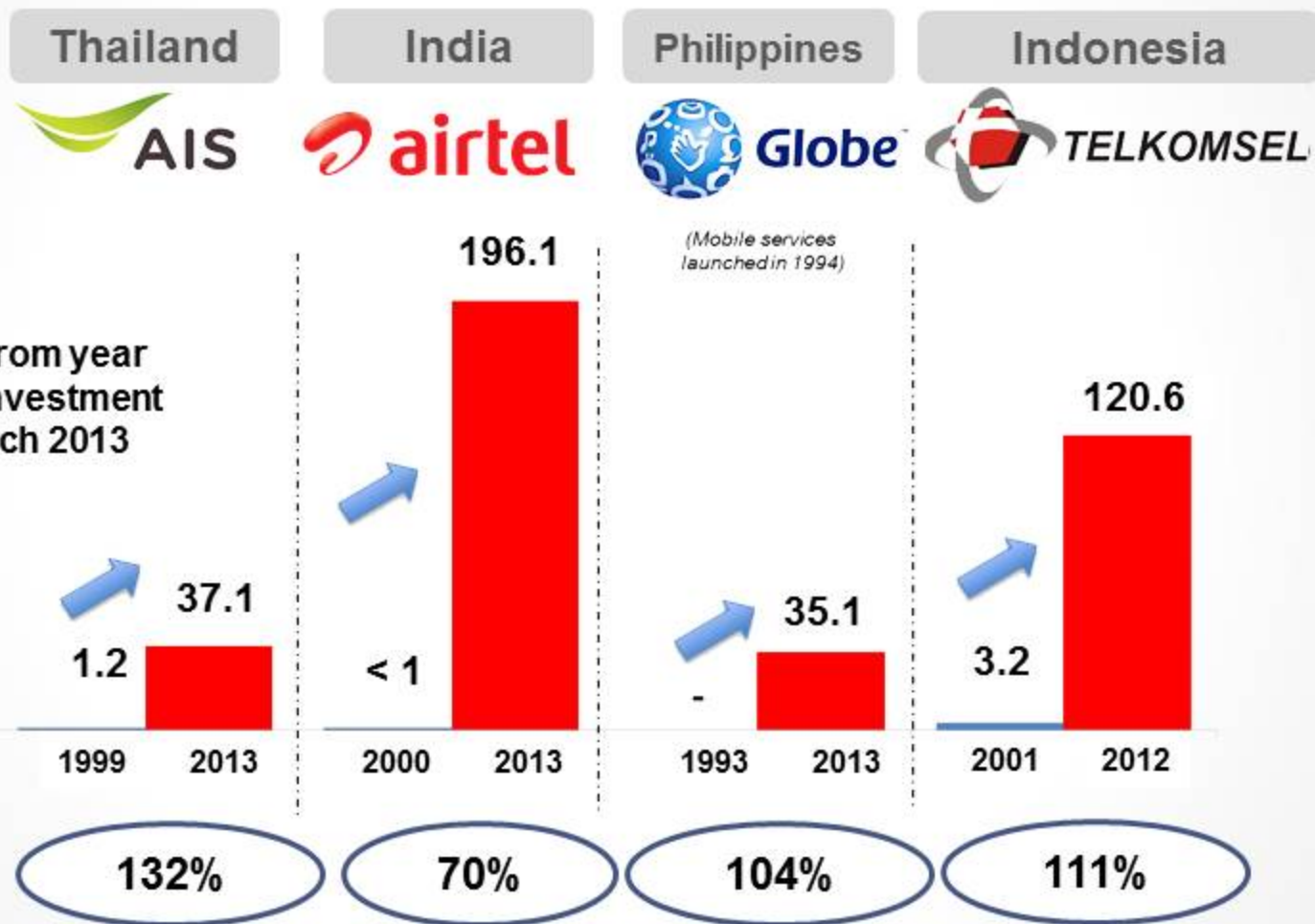
#2 in Australia

Proven track record in accelerating mobile tele-density in other emerging Asian economies

Subscribers from year of SingTel's investment and as of March 2013

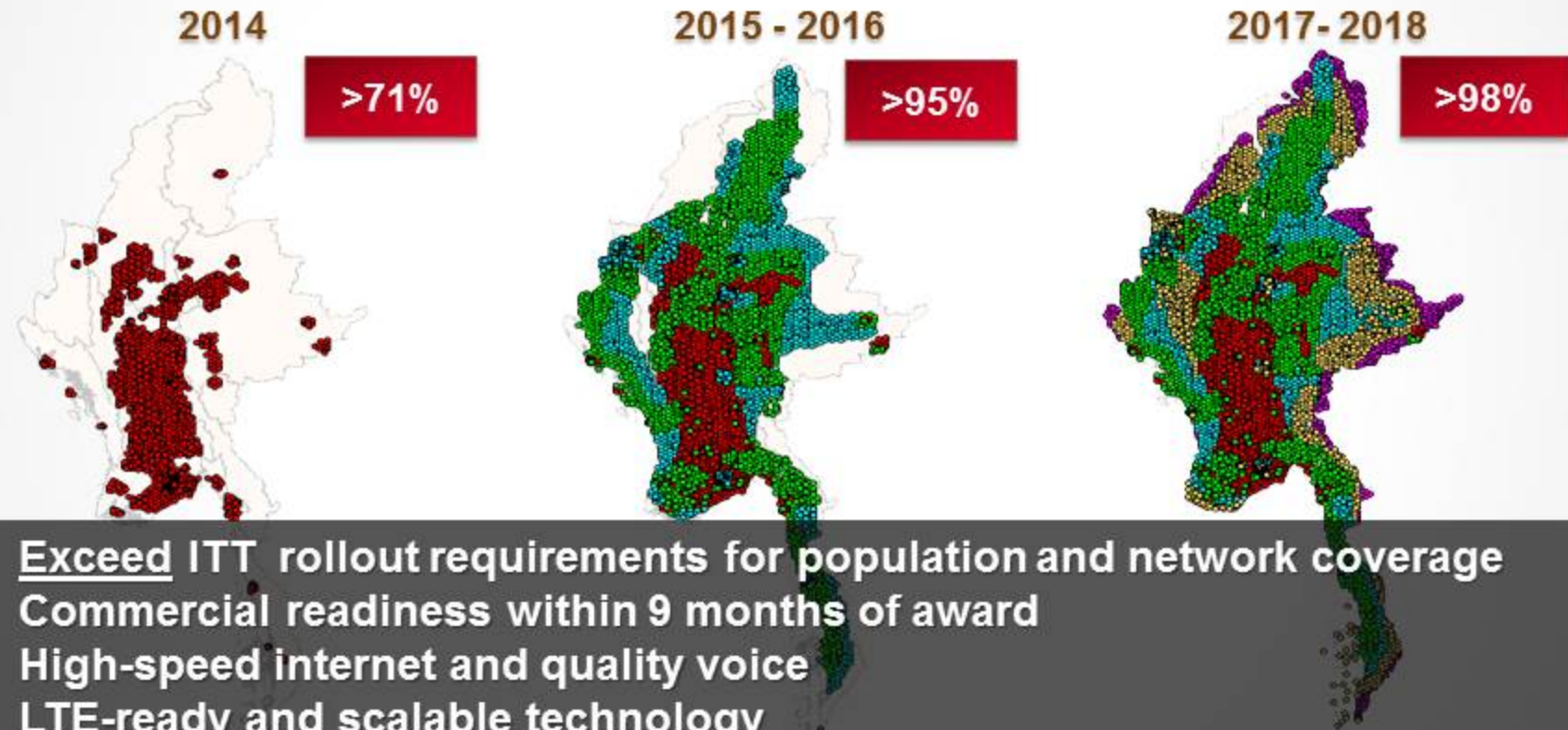
*in Million

Country mobile tele-density at Mar 2013



95% of people will have access to high quality and reliable telecommunications within 36 months

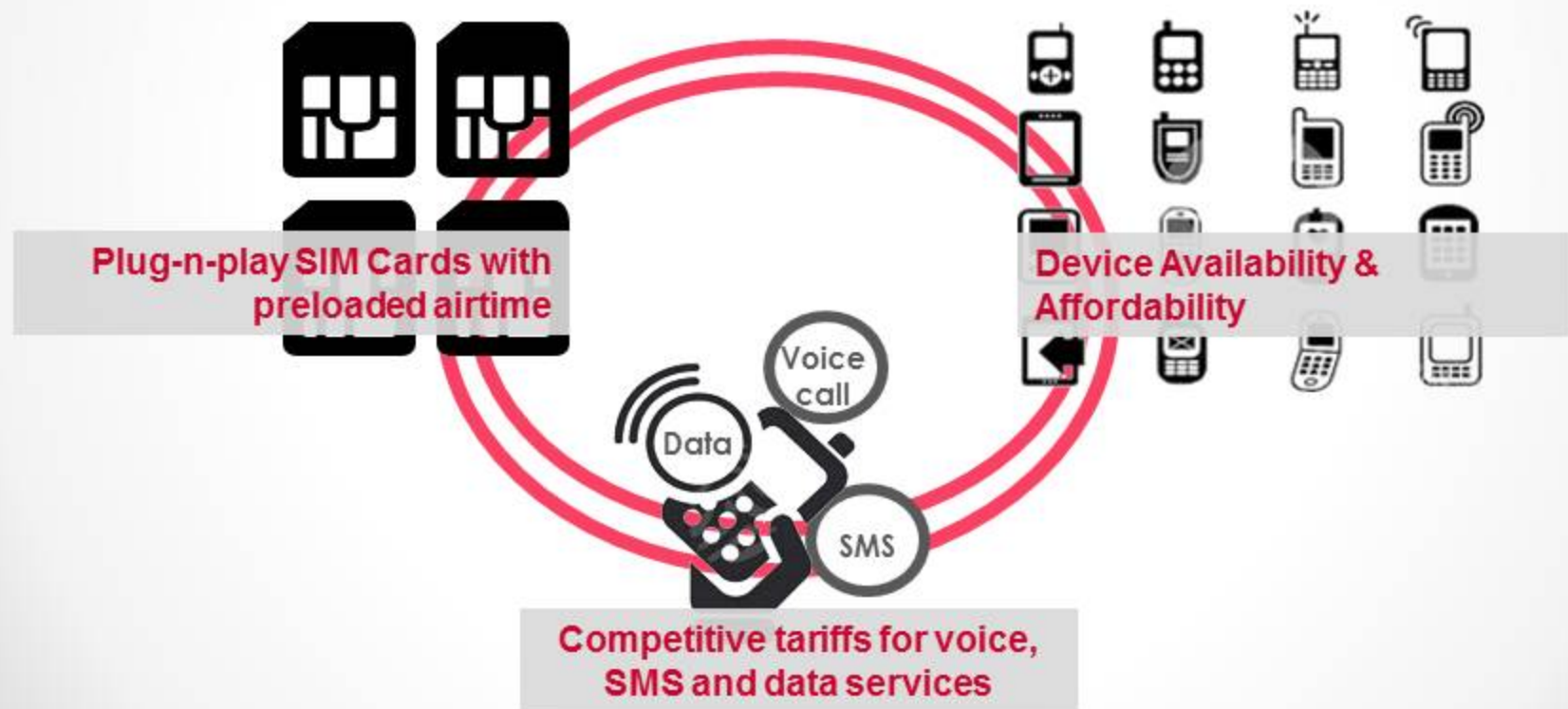
Fast and realistic network rollout schedule; focusing on long-term, sustainable quality and reliability



- Exceed ITT rollout requirements for population and network coverage
- Commercial readiness within 9 months of award
- High-speed internet and quality voice
- LTE-ready and scalable technology
- Ready for site-sharing with other licence holders
- Most inclusive technology combination for speed of adoption

Reducing the total cost of ownership for consumers

- Committed to affordable devices and SIM cards by leveraging Group-wide synergies and economies of scale
- Competitive tariffs and targeted price plans for different customer segments and usage needs



Superior customer experience and innovative services and products

- Leverage Group-wide innovations to quickly import and adapt relevant value-added services for various communities' needs
- Eg. E-Government, M-Health, M-Wallet, M-Education, Micro-financing & insurance, Agriculture information
- Superior QoS and ICT services for urban and local businesses



Education



Micro-banking & Remittance



Agriculture & Farming



Healthcare

Creating employment and developing world-class telecommunications talents

Imparting global best practices in people development, corporate governance, customer service, marketing and operations



The Best International Roaming Experience

- Bridge Mobile Alliance, founded and chaired by SingTel
- Asia Pacific's leading mobile alliance of 12 top-tier operators
- Seamless roaming, preferred roaming tariffs, multi-country service for customers



Serving over 470
Million Customers



BHARTI AIRTEL
India >



AIS
Thailand >



CSL
Hong Kong >



CTM
Macau >



GLOBE
Philippines >



MAXIS
Malaysia >



MOBIFONE
Vietnam >



OPTUS
Australia >



SINGTEL
Singapore >



SK TELECOM
South Korea >



TAIWAN MOBILE
Taiwan >



TELKOMSEL
Indonesia >



Immediate Access to International Connectivity

Global Data Network for Businesses

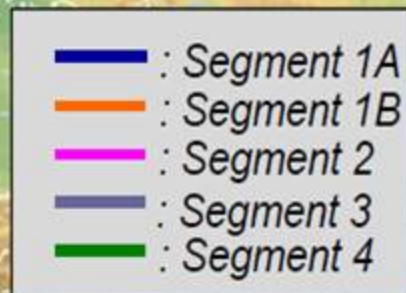
- To accelerate foreign investments and facilitate international business
- Managed global data network to more than 80 key business hubs worldwide supported by 37 SingTel Global Offices
- Awards:
 - Market Leadership in International Dedicated P2P Services and IPVPN Services APEJ
 - Telecom Cloud Service Provider
 - Best IT Outsourcing and Managed Services



Connecting Myanmar

Access to One of the Largest International Submarine Cable Network

- International connectivity is an important gateway to attracting and supporting new business investments into the country
- SingTel is the key initiator and investor for the SMW system – connecting 31 countries with 39 landing stations across Asia, Middle East and Europe
- Myanmar to join the planning and construction of SMW5



- 1st 100Gbps PoP to PoP system between Singapore – Europe
- 2nd cable to land into Myanmar
- Targeted RFS – Late 2015
- Planned Design Capacity – 18Tbps

* SingTel is the key initiator and investor in SMW1, SMW2, SMW3 and SMW4

Launching Myanmar's National Satellite

- Why Satellite?
- Geographical Reach
- Universal Coverage
- Quick to deploy
- Scalable
- Reliable
- Seamless
- Versatile



Disaster Relief



Cellular Backhaul



Banking



DTH



Oil & Gas



Mining



Government

Satellite is key to nation building

SingTel can support the launch of Myanmar's national satellite



**Successfully launched ST-1
& ST-2 satellites**



**More than 35 years
of experience in
operating teleport**



**Customer sites
installation
capabilities**

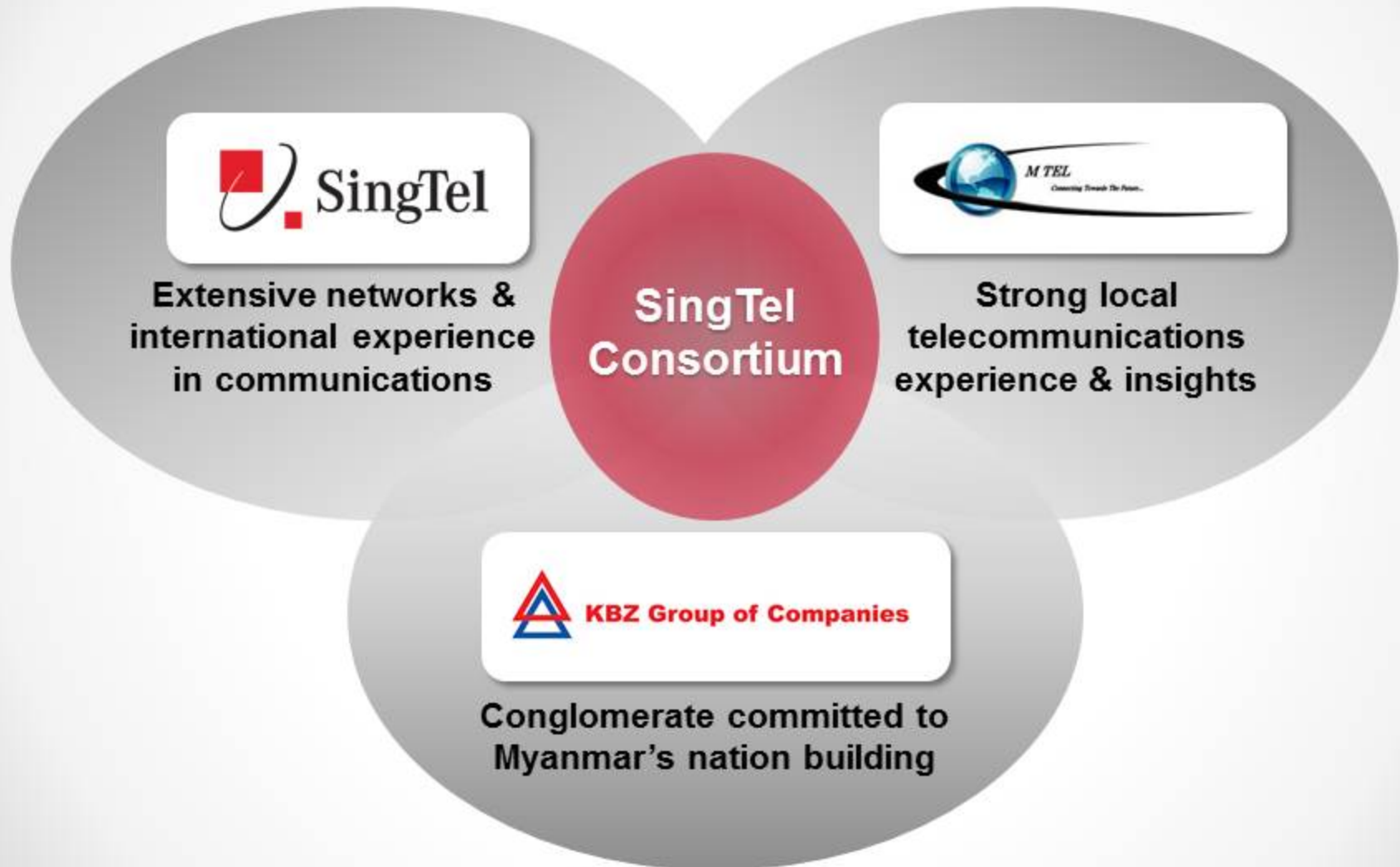


**World's top 5 teleport
operator**
World Teleport Association's
2012 Global Top Twenty
Ranking



**Satellite ICT solutions
provider**

Unrivalled experience, long-term commitment to Myanmar



Thank You

The Myanmar-ASEAN Consortium



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