
ERICSSON AGAIN A LEADER IN LTE NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE MAGIC QUADRANT

- For the sixth year in a row, Ericsson has been named a Leader in the LTE industry within premier analyst firm Gartner's Magic Quadrant for LTE Network Infrastructure report
- Positioned the highest for ability to execute in this year's report
- Ericsson supports the most global LTE traffic, handling twice as much as the closest competitor

Ericsson (NASDAQ: ERIC) today announced that Gartner, Inc., the world's leading information technology research and advisory company, continues to position Ericsson as an LTE industry leader within the "Leaders" quadrant of its 2015 Magic Quadrant for LTE Infrastructure report, now for the sixth year running. Ericsson was positioned highest for ability to execute in this year's report, published April 20, 2015. The report examines vendors of end-to-end (radio and core) LTE network infrastructure and positions them based on their ability to execute and completeness of vision in the LTE market.

Ericsson attributes ability to execute in part to strong financial metrics and a broad portfolio contributes to completeness of vision, including such sought-after advanced technologies as LTE-Advanced (LTE-A) with combined-mode FDD (frequency division duplex) and TDD (Time Division Duplex), Network Function Virtualization (NFV), unified management and the modular Ericsson Radio System with integrated transport. Ericsson is also active with ecosystem partners for other verticals, such as public safety, machine-type communications (MTC/M2M), the Internet of Things (IoT), and connected cars.

Per Narvinger, Head of LTE, Ericsson says: "We are pleased that our LTE leadership is recognized within the Leaders quadrant of Gartner's 'Magic Quadrant for LTE' for yet another year running. Our focus on LTE performance, innovation and efficiency enable us to serve the most LTE traffic globally, ensuring that consumers and businesses benefit from high-quality mobile broadband services. We are proud to be a leader in the market with our LTE-Advanced solutions and our work on the evolution of LTE-Advanced towards 5G."

Ericsson handles the most global LTE traffic -- 40 percent of the world's mobile traffic is carried over Ericsson networks, which is twice as much traffic as the closest competitor. Ericsson and is present in all high-traffic LTE markets including the US, Japan and South Korea and tops LTE market share within the world's top 100 cities. More than 220 LTE RAN and Evolved Packet Core networks have been delivered worldwide, of which 170 are live commercially.

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Our services, software and infrastructure – especially in mobility, broadband and the cloud – are enabling the telecom industry and other sectors to do better business, increase efficiency, improve the user experience and capture new opportunities.

With approximately 115,000 professionals and customers in 180 countries, we combine global scale with technology and services leadership. We support networks that connect more than 2.5 billion subscribers. Forty percent of the world's mobile traffic is carried over Ericsson networks. And our investments in research and development ensure that our solutions – and our customers – stay in front.

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