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Telia Company, Ericsson and Intel first to make 5G real in Europe

Telia Company is deploying the first public 5G live network use cases in Europe in collaboration with Ericsson and Intel. This includes a high speed 5G connection to a commercial passenger cruise ship delivering internet connectivity to the ship and its passengers while in port, and an industrial use case featuring a construction excavator remotely controlled with a live 5G network.

The move is an important milestone in the global 5G roadmap, moving Ericsson, Intel, Telia Company, and more importantly Telia's customers, closer to the goal of bringing 5G services to life in both Tallinn and Stockholm in 2018, two of the most digitalized cities in the world.

Gabriela Styf Sjöman, Senior Vice President and Global Head of Networks, Telia Company said: "We want to be early with 5G and will bring it to life in Stockholm, Tallinn and Helsinki in 2018. We work together with our partners in the entire eco-system to explore the powerful effect it is going to have for our customers and in society. It's not only about building a new network but it's also about building a new way of thinking and perceiving what a mobile network can be and can do. High speed, low latency, guaranteed capacity and truly mobile is going to push the boundaries of digitalisation and we want to be there pushing it together with our partners."

Deploying early 5G solutions in real-world settings is vital for the industry to learn how the various technologies integrate into different types of businesses, in what type of environments it performs best, and the interoperability between systems across the network, cloud and devices. Telia Company and Ericsson announced a joint roadmap in 2016 that aims to let Telia customers experience 5G services in 2018 in Tallinn and Stockholm. Now in collaboration with Intel, early examples of these services have been brought to life in these use cases for consumers and businesses.

The "real life" 5G environment for Tallink was created at the Port of Tallinn to test and explore how the new mobile technology can provide higher data connection speeds and improved quality. During the test in September 2017, 5G technology was deployed for the whole ship while it was in harbor. The technology enabled Wi-Fi usage for 2,000 passengers and the ship's own information and communications technology systems. This is a first example of many uses that 5G will provide access to in transport situations, as well as very broad gigabit wireless services delivered to consumers.

Gearing up for 5G, the participants in the EU Digital Summit taking place today in Tallinn have a unique opportunity to experience what it feels like to remotely control machinery – in this case an industrial excavator - via an augmented reality remote control operated over an ultrafast live 5G link with very low latency. This shows how a machine operator can work with 5G remote controlled excavators in hazardous environments, from the comfort and safety of an office environment. This highlights the capabilities and opportunities 5G will bring to harsh or dangerous industrial settings.

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The solution stack underpinning the cases in Estonia consists of technologies from Ericsson and Intel. An Ericsson 5G base station consisting of 5G antenna, radio and baseband, in conjunction with the Intel 5G Mobile Trial Platform – provides millimeter wave and extends Telia Company’s mobile network to 5G.

Arun Bansal, Head of Europe and Latin America at Ericsson, said: “Our own report about the 5G business potential identifies a huge opportunity for telecom operators globally who address industry digitalization with 5G. We foresee that they can benefit from a market opportunity of USD 582 billion by 2026 and this represents a potential to add 34 percent growth in revenues. Capturing this market potential requires investment in 5G technology as well as business development, and go-to-market models.”

Asha Keddy, Vice President and General Manager, Next Generation and Standards Group at Intel Corporation, said: “Our work together trialing early usages of 5G technologies and the experiences it will bring to different industries, demonstrates the importance of collaboration and the need for seamless flow of data across the network, cloud and devices to make 5G a reality. Intel’s 5G platforms are critical enablers for today’s active, real-world 5G trials with service providers around the globe, providing crucial insights and helping to define the future of 5G.”

Watch videos on both the Tallink and the excavator 5G solutions, listen to a replay of a joint webcast between Telia Company, Ericsson and Intel, and access more information about the journey towards 5G <http://events.streamgo.co.uk/telia-intel-and-ericsson-media-briefing>

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