5G Open Research and Innovation Laboratory

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5TONIC infrastructure

5TONIC is an **open co-creation laboratory** focusing in 5G technologies, founded by Telefónica and IMDEA Networks and based in Madrid. The 5TONIC infrastructure can be divided as follows:

→ Permanent lab infrastructure

Intended to support trials of use cases and available for all the members

It includes:

- Data center infrastructure including racks for each 5TONIC members, communications infrastructure
- Virtual EPC provided by Ericsson, to evolve to NGC
- LTE Radio Access infrastructure, provided by Ericsson and CommScope, to be evolved to NR
- Virtualization, processing and transport infrastructure

→ Temporal infrastructure

Deployed to support **specific demos** by members, associated with EU projects, as well as 5TONIC technological trials: Cohere Technologies, Luz Wavelabs, Saguna,...

It is partially provided by the members and collaborators involved on a temporal basis

- Demos supported associated with specific events (reviews, winter/summer schools,...) of several projects: 5G-Ex, 5G-CORAL, 5G-RANGE
- Demos associated to specific projects 5TONIC members are involved in: CrossHaul, 5G-TRANSFORMER
- Semipermanent infrastructure to support testbeds in specific projects: 5GINFIRE



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Other aspects:

- **Connectivity with RedIRIS**, the Spanish academic and research network that provides advanced communication services to the scientific community and national universities
 - 10 Gbit/s redundant connection
- · Indoor and outdoor facilities at IMDEA Networks
- Agreement for accessing to test and measurement equipment with Rohde & Schwarz

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- Acess to other facilities:
 - UC3M campus both at Leganés and Madrid City Center
 - Telefónica I+D lab at Almagro Central Office
 - Telefónica headquartes campus Distrito C
 - 5G IFEMA Lab at Feria de Madrid
 - Connection with Telefónica Spain lab at Alcobendas





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5TONIC infrastructure – current status



5TONIC working procedures



5TONIC main technical activities are structured around **projects/trials**

- The projects/trials should be **approved by** the 5TONIC governing body, the **Steering Board** (decisions require simple majority of the members)
- Each trial involves at least one 5TONIC member and may include also one or more collaborators
- The work plan, resources committed (human and material), location and dissemination policy are agreed by the participants of the trial
 - There is a project manager in charge of coordinating each trial
 - The results from the trials may be kept confidential to those involved in them
 - Infrastructure not available at 5TONIC for the support of the trials should be provided by those involved in them
- The trial may be related to a **potential 5G use case** (which is the preferred option) or to the testing of a **5G technological component**
- 5TONIC provides **dedicated resources** (not only the lab infrastructure, but also two people with full dedication) for the support of the trials
- 5TONIC trials may be also associated to European projects the members participate in

Beyond technical activities , 5TONIC is also involved in **academic activities** (like the NFV/SDN master program), as well as **5G promotion and standardization activities**





Backup slides





5TONIC History

Created in 2015 by **Telefónica I+D and IMDEA Networks Institute** with a clear vision of setting up an **open research and innovation ecosystem laboratory** in which industry and academia come together to boost technology and business innovative ventures

Since then, several leading companies have become members and collaborators of 5TONIC, with a current roster of **10 members** and **5 collaborators**

5TONIC is chaired by **David del Val**, CEO of Telefónica I+D, and vice-chaired by **Arturo Azcorra**, Director of IMDEA Networks and Professor at U. Carlos III

The lab has been on the forefront of technological innovation and with an extensive track record in **European 5G Research Projects**

It is also responsible for the organization of the world's **first ETSI Plugtest of the NFV working group** (Jan 2017)

It has participated in different events, including **MWC 2018** and **FITUR 2018**, and has received several prizes in recognition to its activities

It has also been recognized as a **Digital Innovation Hub (DIH)** by the European Union (EU)



5TONIC Members and Collaborators



5TONIC members

5TONIC members steer all the activities of lab and contribute to its maintenance

Current 5TONIC members are:

- 1. Telefónica
- 2. IMDEA Networks
- 3. Ericsson
- 4. University Carlos III Madrid
- 5. Intel
- 6. CommScope
- 7. Altran
- 8. Cohere Technologies
- 9. InterDigital
- 10. Red Hat

5TONIC collaborators

Collaborators are involved in specific 5TONIC activities and have not decision capacity

Current 5TONIC Collaborators include:

- 1. IFEMA
- 2. ASTI Robotics
- 3. Rohde & Schwarz
- 4. Luz Wavelabs
- 5. Saguna Networks

Potential new collaborators include **Nokia**, **SEGITTUR**, **SAMUR** and **Anteral**

5TONIC activities

5TONIC activities can be classified into different sets:

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	Objective:	Examples:
Technical activities for the evaluation of 5G use cases	Cooperate with verticals in the development of services and applications that may benefit from 5G innovations and may constitute new revenue streams for operators	 Autonomous vehicles in industrial environments, in cooperation with ASTI Robotics Emergency services in cooperation with SAMUR Augmented reality services for fairs in cooperation with IFEMA REMOTIS project with Altran
	Objective:	Examples:
Technical activities for the evaluation of 5G technical components	Test and evaluate the new technical solutions proposed by 5TONIC members and collaborators, to identify those that may prove valuable for the evolution on 5G in areas like new radio technologies and virtualization and network slicing	 New waveform OTFS trials with Cohere and Telefónica Cell-less RAN architecture OneCell with CommScope New high-frequency signal generation technology Luz Wavelabs Integrated fronthaul/backhaul with Ericsson and Telefónica
	Objective:	Examples:
Technical activities related to European projects	Provide support for the 5TONIC members in their activities in current projects, as well as become one of the main European testbeds for future 5G ICT projects	 Hosting of the final review of the CrossHaul project, as well as intermediate review of 5G-Ex and 5GInFire Involved in the 3 large end-to-end trial projects of the EU ICT-17: 5G-EVE, 5G-VINNI and 5GENESIS
	Objective:	- Examples:
Dissemination and other activities	Contribute to the dissemination of 5G capabilities to support new applications and use cases	 1st ETSI NFV plugfest Cooperation in the UC3M's Master of NFV and SDN in 5G Networks
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5TONIC approach to vertical use cases

Rather than the traditional approach of demonstrating applications or use cases that are only feasible using 5G technology, 5TONIC is focusing on **use cases with potential short/medium term commercial applications**

The main elements of the strategy adopted are:

- → Involving final users in the development of the applications and services that make use of the 5G technology, to ensure that they provide real value for them
- → Ensuring that the implementation is based, whenever feasible, on **commercial/precommercial equipment** (rather than experimental one), so the economic viability of the solutions is more likely
- → Trying to involve **different partners** in the implementation of the use cases, rather than a single one,
- → Emulating, as much as possible, **realistic operational conditions**
- → Adopting a **phased approach** for the development of 5G based services and applications, adapted to the evolution of the technology
- → Trying to find **synergies with other 5TONIC activities**, like the participation in European projects



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5TONIC approach to technology trials

The objective of the technology trials is to develop and validate the main enablers that will make 5G use cases feasible from a techno-economic viewpoint

Main focus has been put on:

- Virtualization of the different network functions, for both core and acess
- **Network slicing** for greater flexibility in the support of the requirements associated to different use cases
- Integrated transport for both backhaul and fronthaul
- Use of high frequency bands
- **New 4G features** that are part of the evolution towards 5G: pre-scheduling for lower latency, use of high order modulation for increased capacity, lean carrier operation for inter-cell interference reduction, cell-less mobility,...

5TONIC is also looking at potentially **disruptive technologies** that may be part of the 5G evolution:

- → OTFS, a new waveform that provides (more than 50 bit/s/Hz of spectral efficiency measured in live tests carried out at Telefónica headquarters)
- \rightarrow New antenna technologies for high frequency bands: LCD antenas, lens antennas
- \rightarrow New signal generation technology based in optical processing









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5TONIC participation in European projects

Providing support for the 5TONIC members in their activities in current projects Involved in the 3 large end-to-end 5G trial labs funded by the EU ICT-17



Participating in other relevant projects and calls:

EU-Brasil:



• EU-Taiwan:







5TONIC infrastructure – expected evolution



Thanks