

An Introduction to Orange IPv6 Strategy

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Outline

- Context
- Introducing Orange's IPv6 strategy
- Deployment status
- Lessons learned and challenges



0 Address, 1 Solution, 2 Problems

- IPv6 is the only durable solution to global IPv4 address depletion
- But IPv4 service continuity during the transition period is a MUST
 - IPv6 migration cannot occur overnight

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More Drivers

- Anticipate global Internet evolution
 - Make sure residential and business customers can access IPv6 contents whatever their location (Asia, Europe)
- Consolidate technical leadership
 - Promote IPv6 usage while confirming robust know-how
 - Cornerstone of business development for the corporate market
- Become a major IPv6 reference in Africa
 - Develop business in these countries, including those that welcome large Asian communities



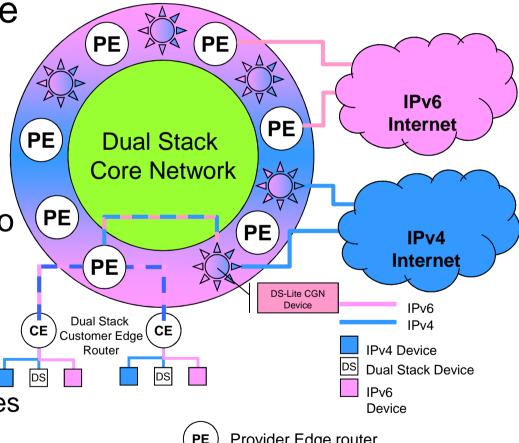
Introducing Orange IPv6 Strategy

Dual Stack architecture

 CE, network devices and platforms are Dual Stack-enabled

 IPv6 prefixes are dynamically assigned to CE and mobile terminals

> Hosts connected to CE devices automatically form their IPv6 addresses





On CGN Technology

- *Any* CGN technology is a necessary but imperfect transitional accommodation
 - For the sake of IPv4 service continuity
- Because of well-known address sharing issues (RFC 6269) CGNs raise some operational difficulty, e.g.,:
 - User-Generated Contents (UGC)
 - Implicit user authentication
 - Access to multicast-based services
- DS-Lite technique has attractive features:
 - Only one level of NAT
 - Assumes IPv6-enabled (access) infrastructures, hence encouraging IPv6 deployment and usage
- CGN technology does not impede IPv6 deployment





- IPv6 transit offering available since 2002
- 21 affiliates initiated IPv6 activities/projects since 2008
 - Several pilot deployments started in 2010 (France, Moldova, Senegal) and 2011 (Poland)
- IPv6 VPN service available since 2009
 - Including professional support services provided to corporate customers
- 1,500+ employees trained to IPv6 Group-wise

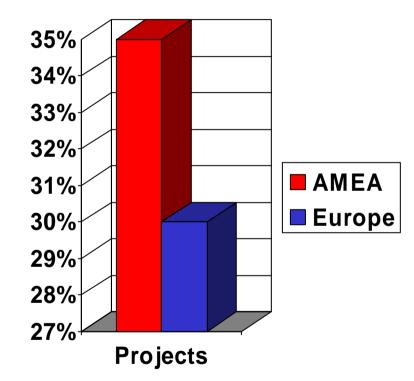
AMEA and Europe Zones

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- Ivory Coast, Jordan, Morocco and Uganda are currently the most active, e.g.,:
 - Ivory Coast is getting ready for IPv6 pilot deployment
 - Meditel access design is in progress

Europe

- France should ignite trials some time in 2015
 - As per current IPv4 address depletion forecasts
- Poland to open IPv6 service in H2 2013
 - IPv6 service for mobile customers has been officially announced on March 26
 - Marketing decision postponed IPv6 service opening for wireline customers to Nov. 2013
- Slovakia has started project and will be opening IPv6 service in 2014





Lessons and Challenges

- Transition is where technical challenges reside
 - Make sure ISP's and customer's IT are ready first for an all-IPv6 environment
- Many vendors are not IPv6-minded yet
 - E.g., customer electronics devices and mobile terminals markets, but progress is improving
- Applications should be Address Family independent
 - Must be used over IPv4 or IPv6 indifferently
- Both pilot deployments and communication are key
 - Acquire operational experience (Moldova, Poland, Senegal are typical examples)
 - Think IPv6 as a business opportunity not a constraint

Thank You!