## Deutsche Telekom Deploys ONAP in O-RAN TOWN

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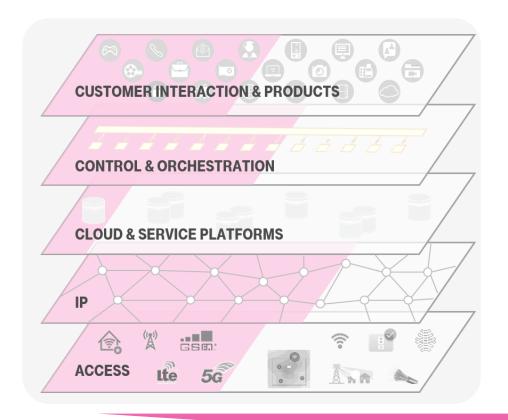
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# NETWORK DIFFERENTIATION – DEUTSCHE TELEKOM'S JOURNEY TO BECOME A SOFTWARE TELCO



#### DISAGGREGATION

to drive flexibility and scalability - and renewal of supply ecosystem

#### CLOUDIFICATION

NT and IT production in fully virtualized and eventually cloudified way

#### SOFTWARE DEFINED NETWORKS

across domains for quicker lifecycles and efficient ops

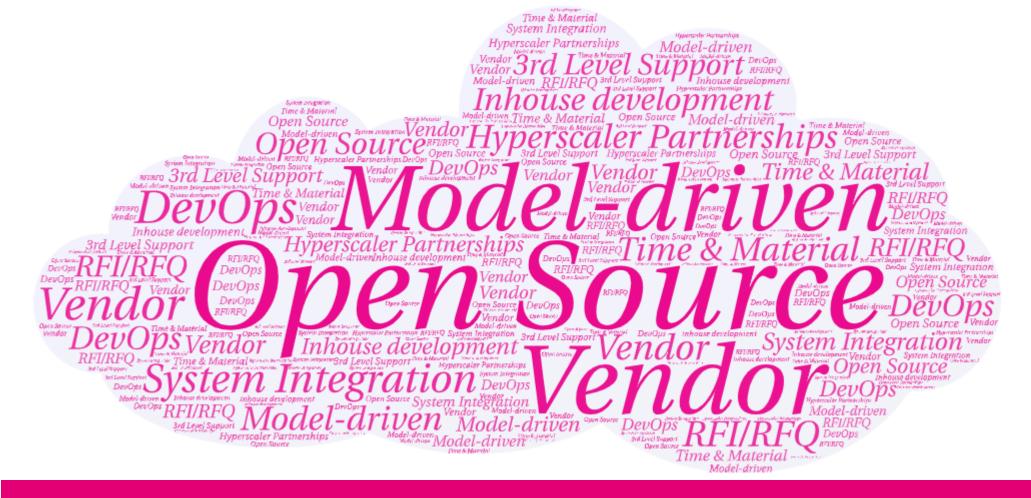
#### **OPEN APIS**

to optimize TCO, push innovation, enable global reach and direct network monetization

Mastering the network Automation is key to enable benefits of software-defined, cloudified, disaggregated networks

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## What is the best automation sourcing/production model?



As a leading Telco we want to be able to provide the best services for our customers



## **Key Challenges in RAN**

**Ecosystem challenge** 

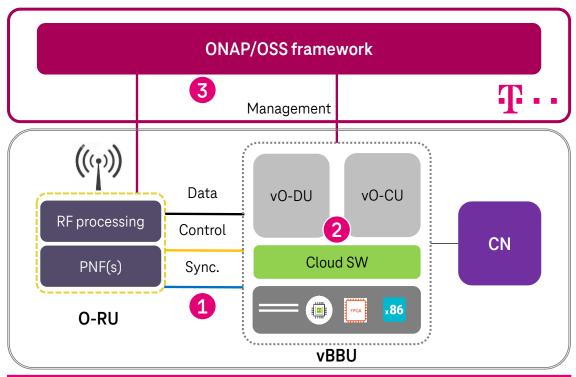
**Deployment cost & flexibility** 

**Cumbersome & costly RAN swap** 

Low flexibility limits innovative power

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## What do we expect from RAN Disaggregation/O-RAN

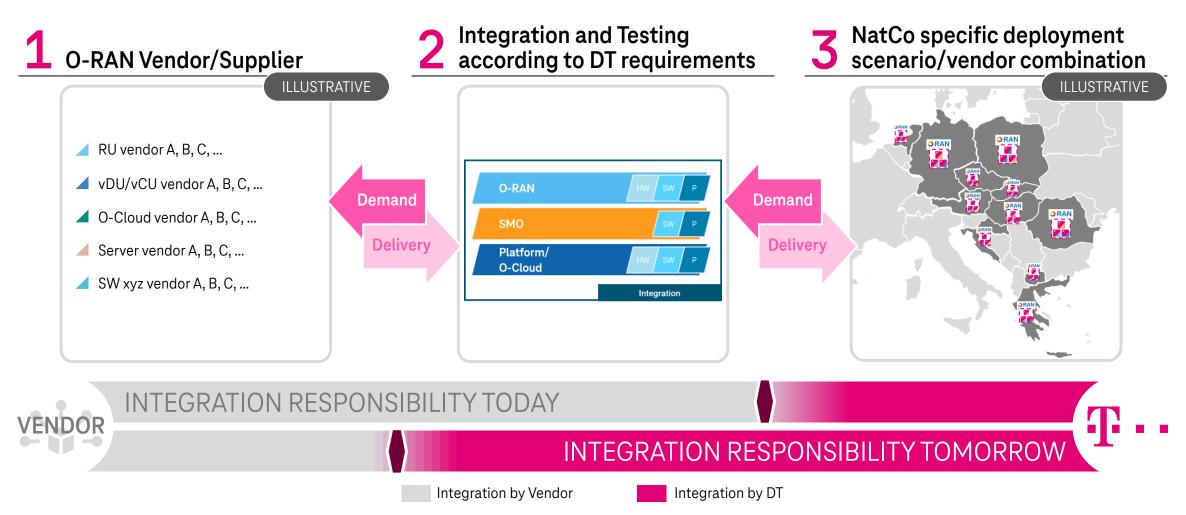


- O-RAN Open fronthaul adoption
- 2 SW/HW decoupling
- 3 Independent management framework (SMO)

- Enrich the vendor landscape, avoid vendor lock-in effect
- Less complex and shorter RAN modernization
- New use cases via intelligence and programmability
- Lower TCO vs. S-RAN (to be proven)



# Operating model: integration responsibility moves towards the operator



## **DT SMO** introduction strategy

01

#### **Open Standards**

O-RAN and 3GPP have defined (open) standards to manage cloud network functions in the radio access network.

02

#### **Open interfaces / models**

DTs network services will be based on aligned data models and interfaces to manage the upcoming complexity.

03

#### State of the art technology

The management of PNF, VNF and CNF functions requires a future proof architecture of network service management functions.



#### Goal

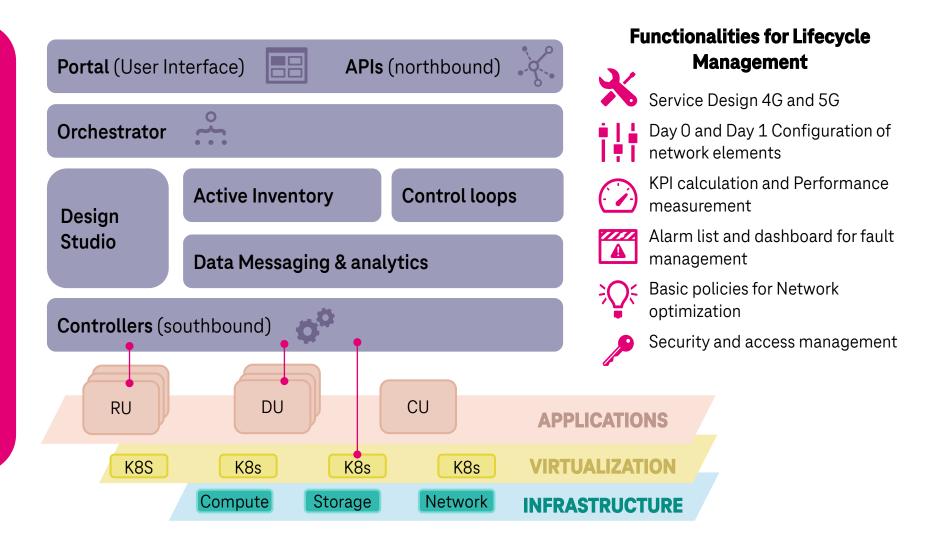
DT wants to leverage the benefits of an independent, integrative approach of the management of our future network functions.

## T-NAP pilots the SMO concept for O-RAN Town.

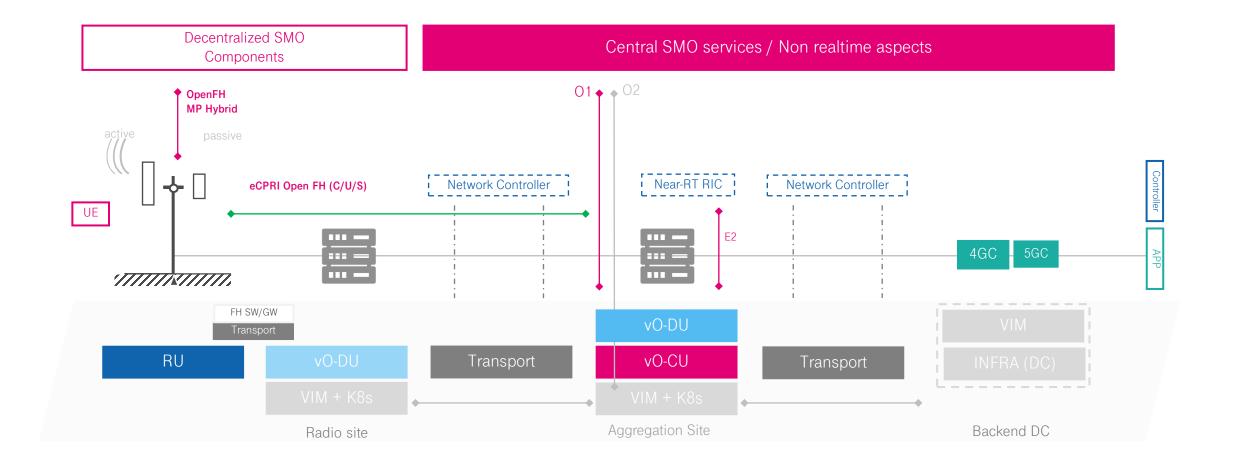
#### Platform for Service Management and Orchestration (SMO)

- Integration with O-RAN cloud native functions (CNF)
- Integration with O-RAN compliant RUs as physical network functions (PNF)

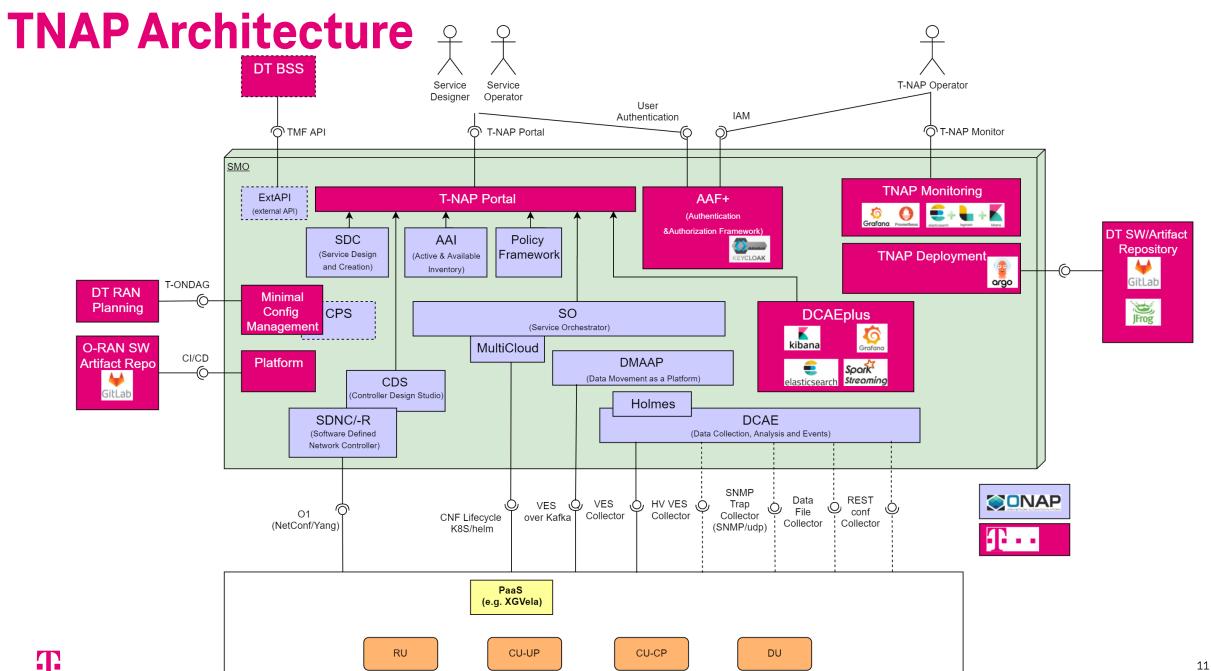




### **O-RAN SMO architecture**







## **Key take-aways**

01

#### What is good

- ONAP platform can be used in several different network domains / contexts
- Platform has matured over the releases
- Open Source is one means to lowering the implementation efforts

02

#### What we've learned

- Mastering the automation is key
- NT & IT skills need to be combined for proper network automation
- Agile development is an imperative
- Partnerships are helpful

03

#### What we wish for

- Richer eco-system (developers, startups, etc.)
- Plug & Play integration of network functions into the platform
- Truly cloud-native network functions

#### **Network Differentiation**

In a software-defined network a relevant part of the customer experience is defined on the automation layer

## Questions & Answers