



# ***CHARISMA***

*Converged Heterogeneous Advanced 5G  
Cloud-RAN Architecture for Intelligent  
and Secure Media Access*

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# Project Participants

- Converged Heterogeneous Advanced 5G Cloud-RAN Architecture for Intelligent and Secure Media Access
  
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## Project Outline

- Start date: July 2015
- Length: 30 months
- Combination of SDN implementations with autonomic **management of resources**.
- **Network security** across multiple virtualised or SDN domains:
  - Definition of threat models and authentication mechanisms across multiple domains
  - Intelligence driven security and data analytics

# Project Objectives

- CHARISMA proposes an intelligent hierarchical routing architecture that unites two important concepts:
  - devolved offload with **shortest path nearest** to end-users
  - end-to-end **security** service chain via virtualized open access physical layer security (PLS).
- CHARISMA architecture aims for future converged **wireless and wireline** advanced 5G networking.
- Cloud infrastructure platform with increased spectral and energy efficiency and enhanced performance targeting the identified needs for:
  - 1000-fold increased mobile data volume
  - 10-100 times higher data rates
  - 10-100 times more connected devices
  - 5x reduced latency
- **Cost savings** enabled by SDN

# Hierarchical Routing

Paravirtualised Secure, Low-Latency

Routing Hierarchy:

H<sub>0</sub>: D-D (=D2D)

H<sub>1</sub>: D-RRH-D (=D2I)

H<sub>2</sub>: D-RRH-RRH-D

H<sub>3</sub>: D-RRH-RAN-RRH-D

RAN – Radio Access Node

BBU – Base Band Unit

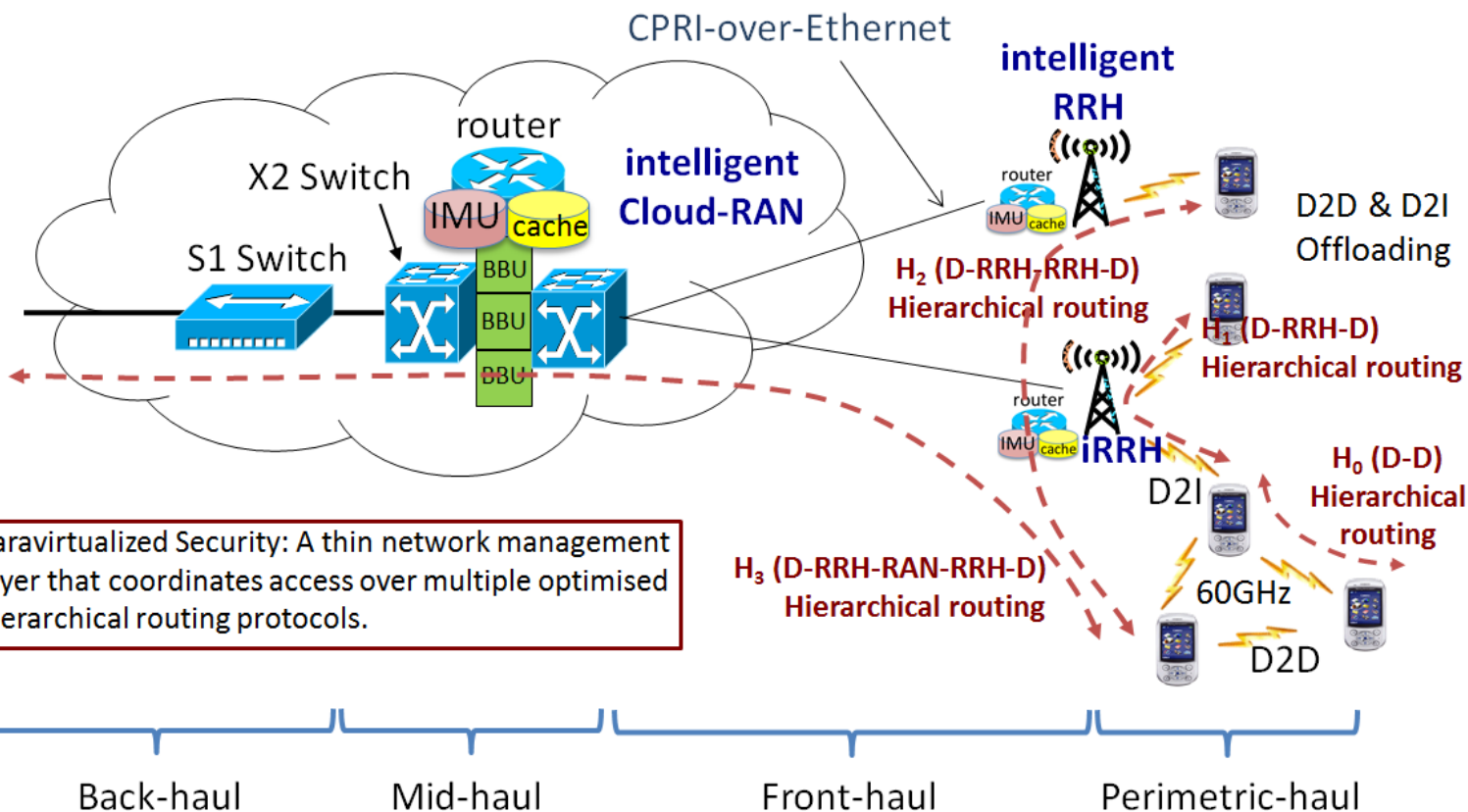
D2D – Device-to-Device

CPRI – Common Public Radio Interface

RRH – Remote Radio Head

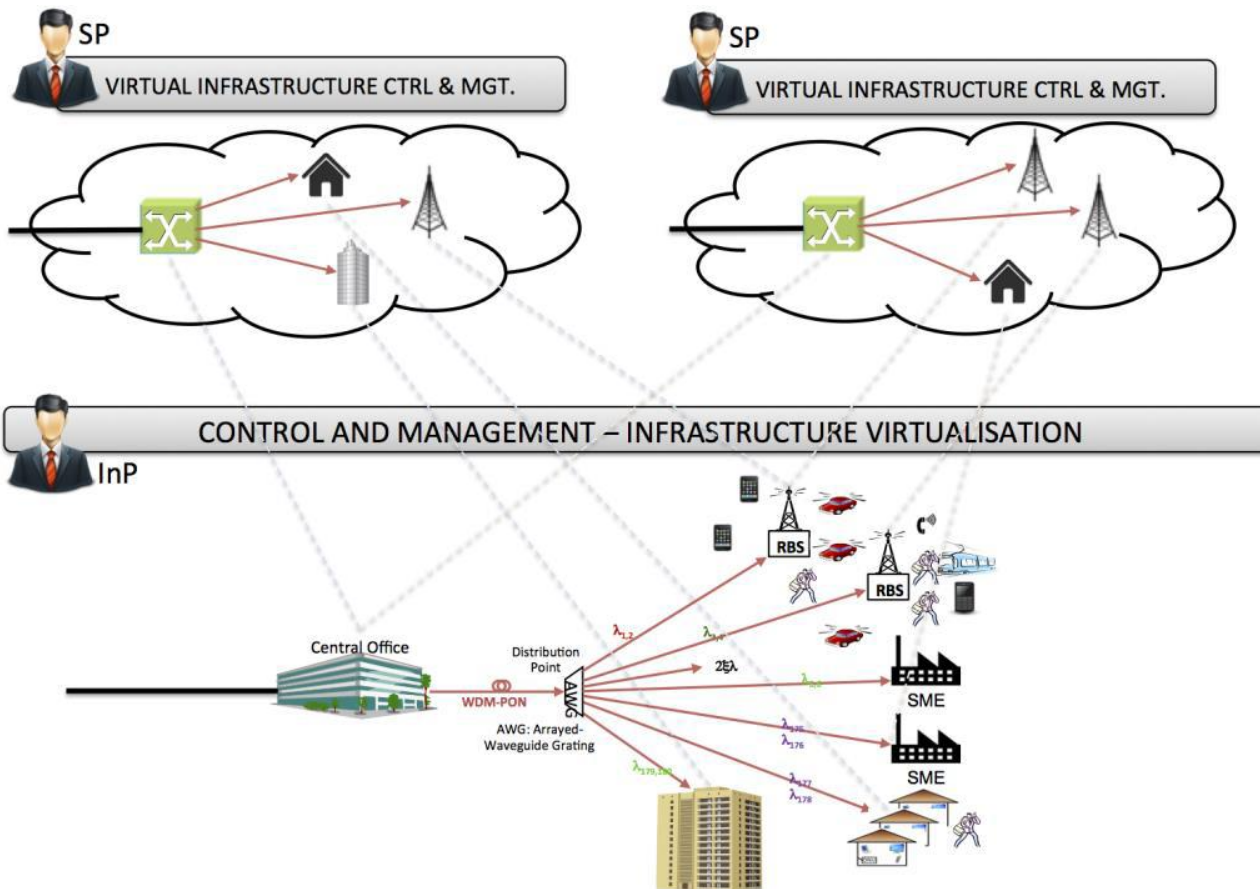
IMU – Intelligent Management Unit

D2I – Device-to-Infrastructure



Paravirtualized Security: A thin network management layer that coordinates access over multiple optimised hierarchical routing protocols.

# Infrastructure Virtualisation



CHARISMA virtualised C&M converged 5G wireless/wireline infrastructure scenario

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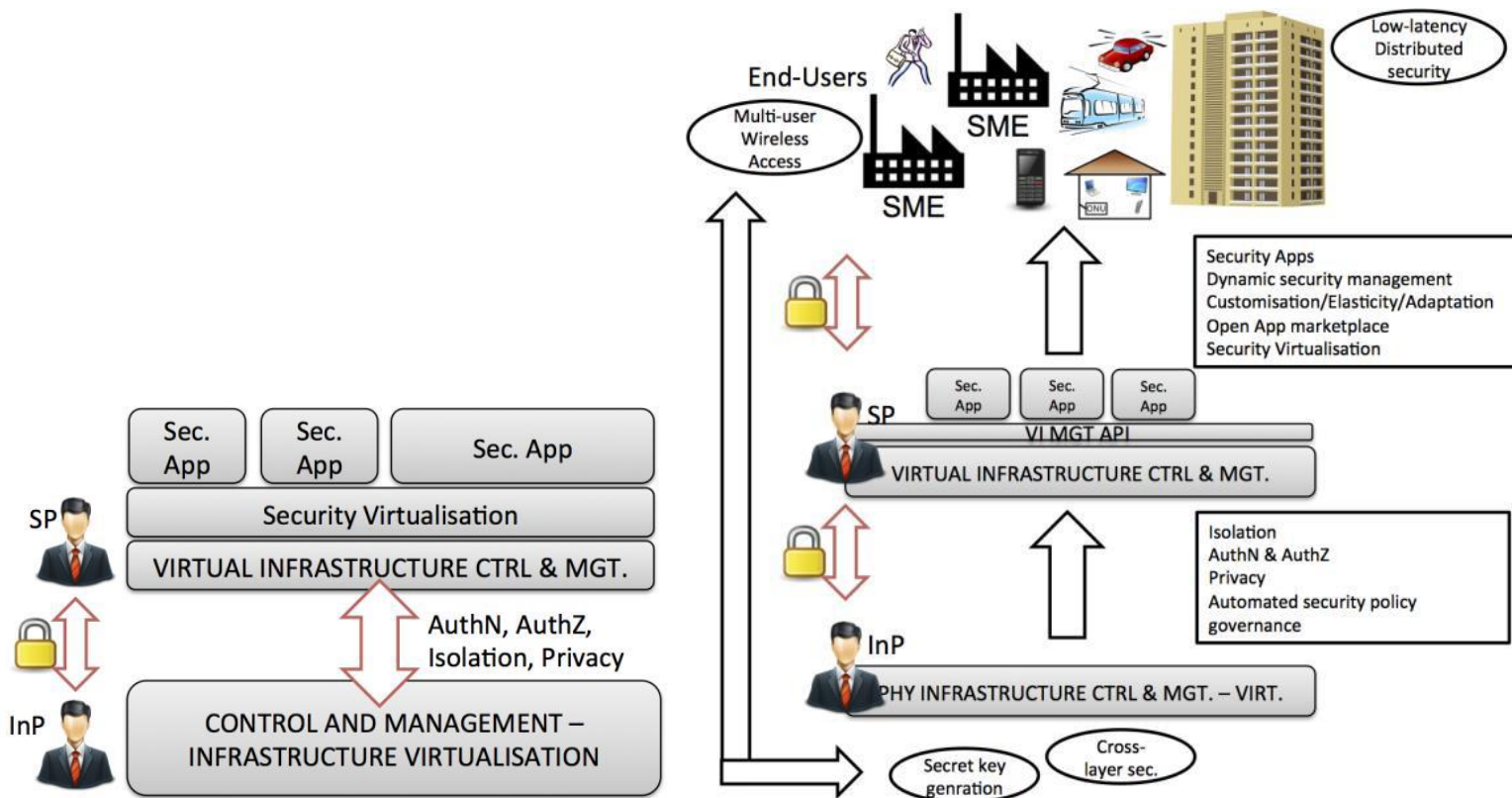
- Distributed security with self-configured setup of secure and fast virtualised sub-networks enables Internet of Things (IoT) and instantaneous machine-type communications (MTC) control.
- End-to-end security based on software-defined networking, physical layer security (PLS), smart-optical hardware pluggable with frame or packet inspection and secure router identification (Trust Node).
- *Virtualized-Security*, featuring
  - End-to-end security service chain
  - Distributed (decentralized) security as opposed to centralized security in 4G
  - Enabling rapid development of novel and flexible security functionalities
  - Physical layer security based on reciprocity in a virtualized open access infrastructure for mobile virtual network operators, network and service providers and physical infrastructure providers.

# CHARISMA Security

- **End-to-end security across all layers of the converged and virtualised open access network.** Novel cross-layer approaches for e2e security derived from software security, network coding, deep packet inspection and physical layer security.
- **Data Confidentiality.** CHARISMA will investigate novel **Physical Layer Security (PLS)** approaches for secret key generation at the physical wireless/optical layer in the framework of shared randomness in communication channels with impaired reciprocity. Lightweight secure network coding approaches will be sought offering data confidentiality through virtualized software pieces;
- **Data integrity.** **Deep packet inspection (DPI)** of **virtualised security functions**, dynamically deployed and combined with behavioural modelling of the virtualized network components, can identify spam attacks, detect intrusions or anomalous behaviours;
- **Provider isolation.** New methodologies providing isolation between tenants of the physical infrastructure. We will exploit information-centric network (ICN) concepts and **software-defined networking (SDN)** to provide separation based on the content compared to the traditional VLAN mechanisms used within data centres;
- **Authentication and Authorisation.** Recursive trust delegation mechanisms will be exploited for the different stakeholders' relationships involved in open access networks. Role- and policy-based authorisation mechanisms .



# Virtualised Security



CHARISMA virtualised security functions and security service value chain