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Outline

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FIREWORKS project

FIREWORKS is

- ➤ A European Commission (EC) Project in terms of 6th Framework Programme Priority 2 "Information Society Technologies"
- > 50% budget is funded by EC
- > Submitted in March 2005
- > Approved in July 2005
- ➤ Potential kick-off date → Dec. 2005

Duration 27 months

FIREWORKS Consortium

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Czech Technical University	CTU	Czech Republic
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Problem Statement

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 - > Emerging and future BWA systems require:
 - ◆ **Ubiquitous** provision of **Broadband** services
 - ◆ Even in hostile environment and propagation conditions:
 - **NLOS** reception
 - ❖ Areas with terrain and cost difficulties(e.g., in underdeveloped areas)
 - ***** supporting **mobility**
 - ◆ Fulfilling specific **QoS** requirements

FIREWORKS motivation

- Lack of BWA solutions to cover the high throughput and coverage requirements in costly efficient manner
- Need of flexible nodes adapting to the changing characteristics of the surroundings, power restrictions & services required at a specific moment
- Non existence of WMANs and WLANs standards specifying a sufficient set of functionalities to operate a Flexible Mesh network
 - ➤ Need of functions that efficiently manage the signaling or feedback information between nodes

FIREWORKS Target System

- Mesh OFDM-based Broadband Wireless Access (BWA) system based on flexible Relay Stations that provides solution for:
 - > Extended and ubiquitous coverage with QoS, in adverse environments
 - > Scalable deployment that can easily adapt to terrain changes (i.e. in under-development areas).
 - > Overcoming limited capacity at the cell edges, NLOS, heavy shadowing from obstacles, penetration loss in an outdoor-to-indoor link, mobility and their combination
 - ➤ Joint capacity optimization between existing or emerging WMANs and WLANs architectures

Objectives (1/2)

- To design innovative flexible Multi Transmit Multi Receive (MTMR) techniques forming an Advanced Antenna System (AAS)
 - > Efficient trade-off performance improvement vs. data rate
 - ➤ Increase in the number of simultaneous transmitting and receiving users
- To design flexible Relays focusing on:
 - > PHY layer:
 - ♦ MIMO, Spatial Diversity Coding, Spatial Multiplexing, Beam-Forming and Cooperative MTMR
 - > MAC layer
 - ◆ Advanced Radio Resource Management schemes and distributed MAC protocols for Mesh

Objectives (2/2)

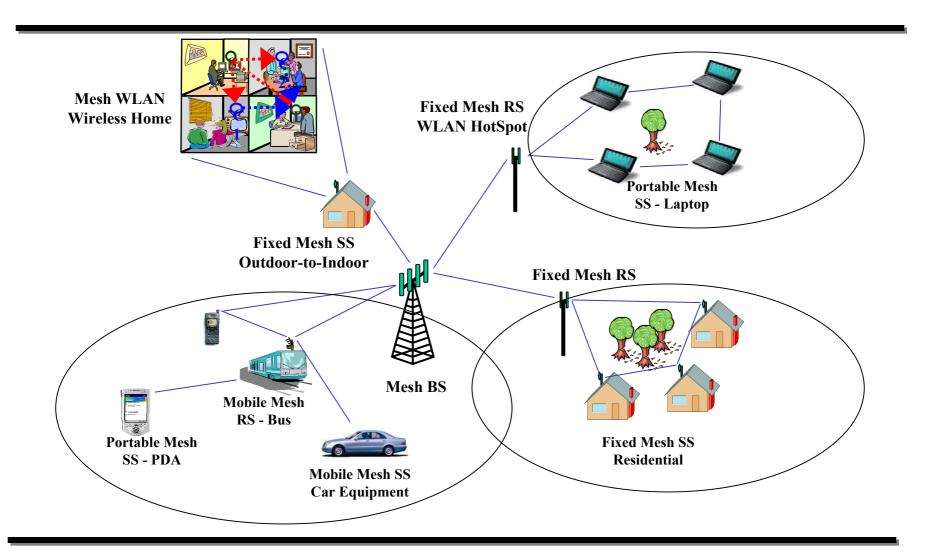
- To optimize the network capacity as a result of relaying functionality
- To design innovative cross-layer optimization techniques for cooperative relays
- To specify operational deployment scenarios, service provisioning and system requirements as well as technoeconomics assessments
- To establish a liaison and contribute to the emerging standards in
 - ➤ IEEE 802.16 SG "Mobile Multi-hop Relay Study Group"
 - ➤ IEEE 802.11s

Deployment Scenarios (1/2)

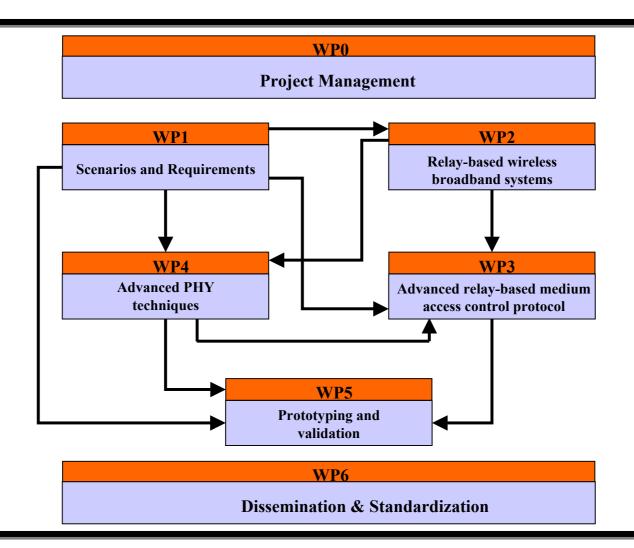
> Outdoor, Wide Area, Cellular Deployment

- Involves *Outdoor-to-Outdoor* Transmission and *Fixed*, *Mobile* or *Portable* Radio Equipment. Based on WMAN technologies, enhanced for *Mesh Operation* and *Relay-based* Deployment.
- Provides Access to Residential, Industrial, Corporate and Individual Users.
- > Outdoor-to-Indoor, Microcell Deployment
 - Outdoor-to-Indoor Transmission and vice versa
 - Considers Indoor, Plug&Play Desktop WMAN Equipment
- > Indoor Deployment
 - Indoor Wireless Connectivity based on Enhanced WLAN Technology
 - Interconnects *Home Appliances, Entertainment* and *Communication*Devices and provides *Bridge* to the external WMAN 'Backhaul' Network

Deployment Scenarios (2/2)



Project Organization



FIREWORKS Evolution paths

