

Proposed Topic for White Paper

Best Access “Broadband” Connectivity

- **Problem:**
 - There are a number of networks available to a user who can provide access to the same service; these networks vary in a number of characteristics including support for mobility or portability, price for access, cost of deployment, range of coverage, ability to hand-over, speed of access, quality of service, and others
 - An aggregator has the opportunity to create a customer proposition from this tapestry of networks to provide best access connectivity
 - The problem of interest is what are the business models that flourish in this environment and what type of companies (fixed-line service providers, wireless ISP’s, mobile network operators) are best positioned to provide such a service
 - A related question of interest is what would such a service look like? Would it be entirely at the discretion of the end-user and his or her device (i.e., implemented entirely in the edge) or would the aggregator (i.e., core) have a role to play?
- **Team**
 - Lippman, Moiin, Who else?
- **Deliverable**
 - Short (5-10 pages) white paper outlining the nature of the problem and proposed approaches for its solution that reflect the consensus of both broadband and core-edge WG participants