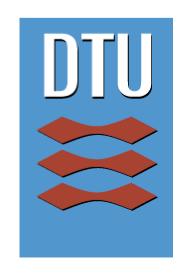
## Faster, faster, faster Asian and European policies

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### **INTUG** contents

- faster broadband
- faster wireless
- faster roll-out
- policy or business models?



### **INTUG** what is INTUG?

- members
  - national associations
  - corporations
  - individuals
- activities
  - ITU and WTO
  - OECD
  - APEC TEL, CITEL and EU



### **INTUG** our aims

- real and effective competition
- genuine choice for users
- lower prices
- higher quality
- more innovative services
- constructive co-operation with
  - international bodies
  - governments
  - regulators

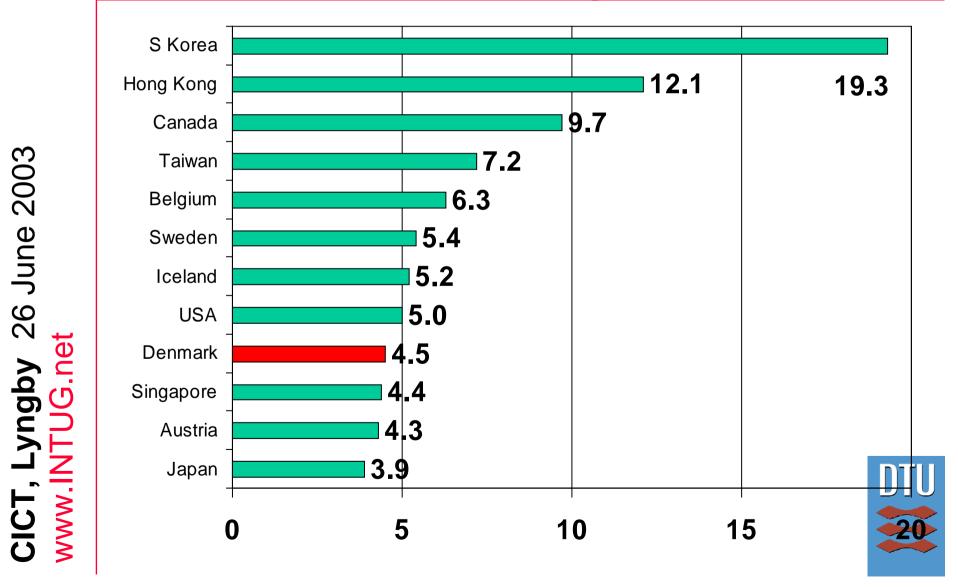


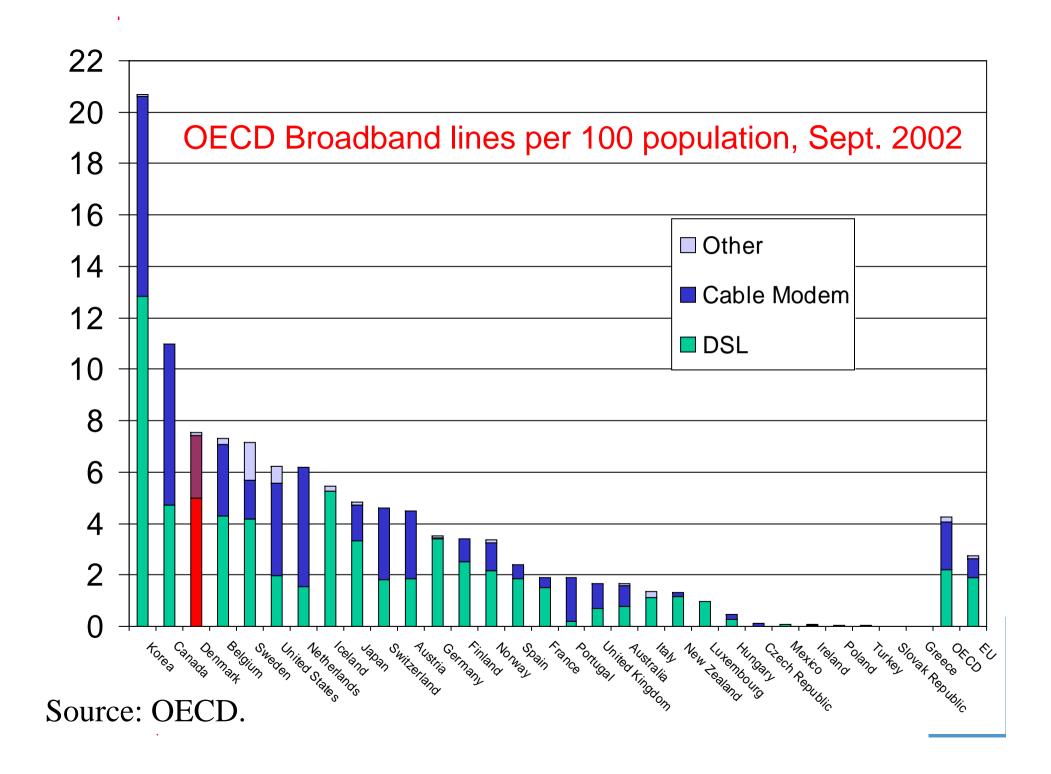
### **INTUG** priorities

- open access to global mobile networks
- regulatory best practice
- liberalization
- leased lines
- IP telephony
- digital divide
- universal access
- numbering

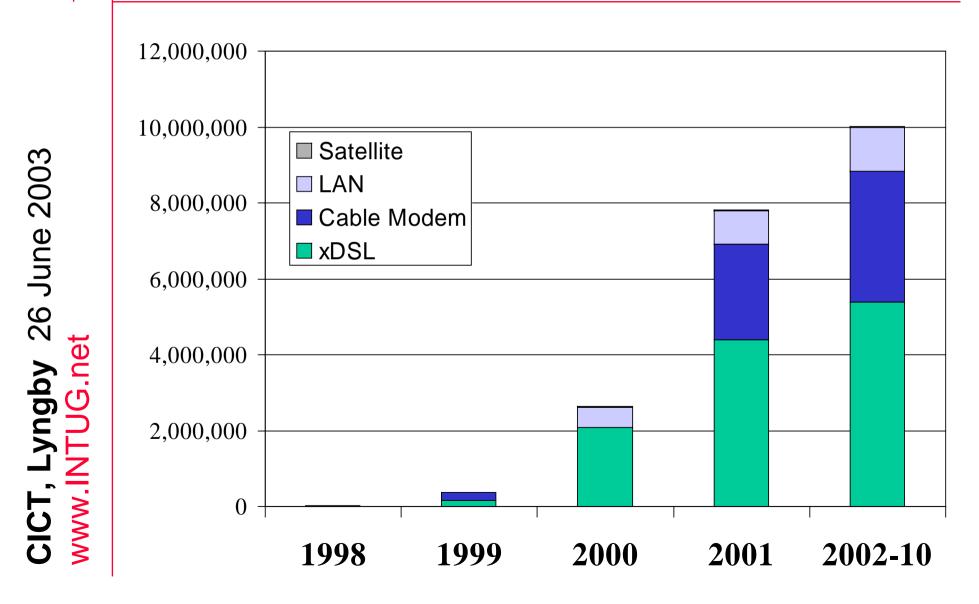


### **INTUG** broadband rankings June 2002



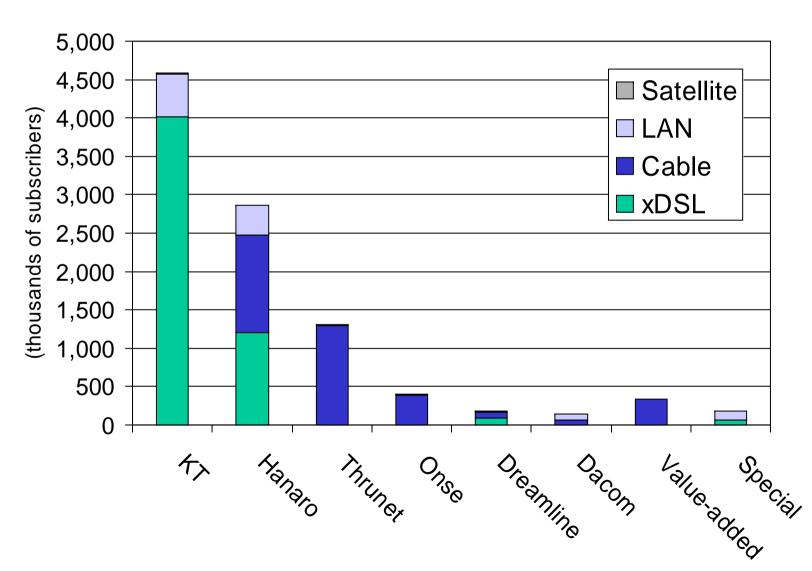


### **INTUG** broadband in South Korea

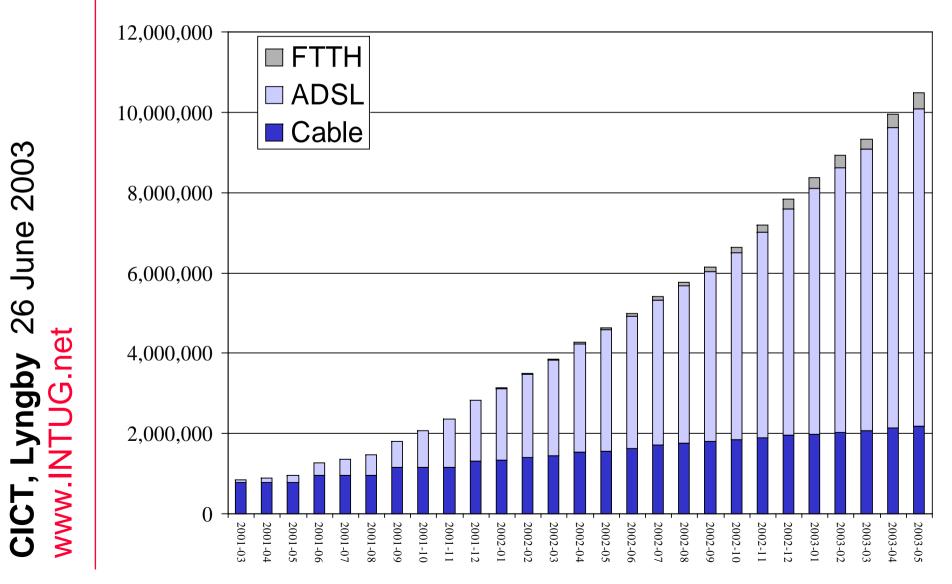


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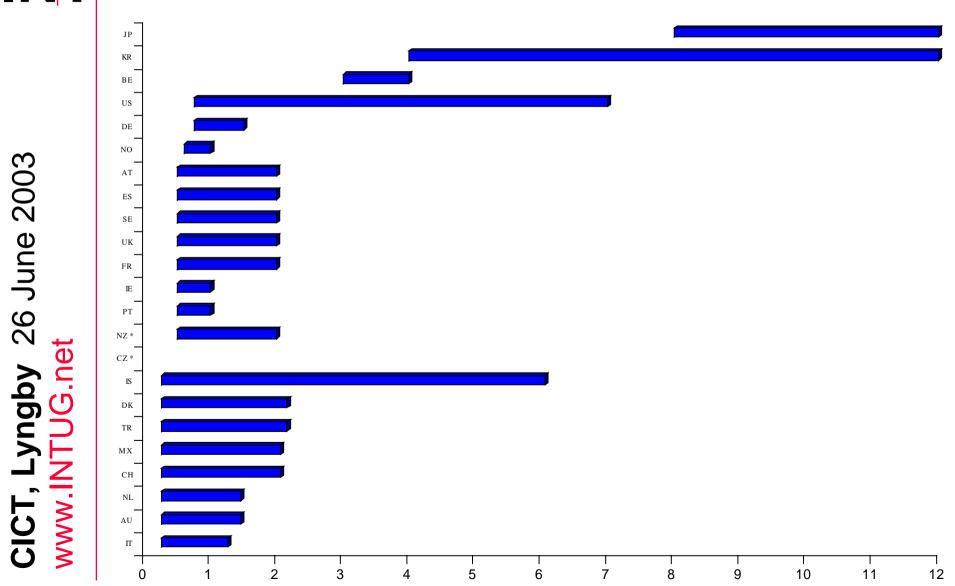


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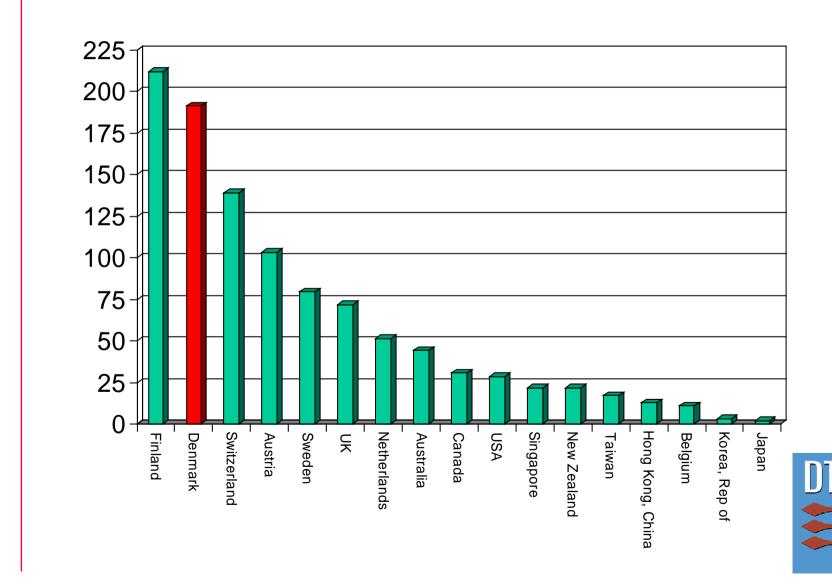
Source: OECD.

**INTUG** range of broadband speeds available (Mbit/sec)



# CICT, Lyngby 26 June 2003 www.INTUG.net

# Price (US\$) per 1Mbit/s per INTUG month, April 2003 Source: ITU.



### **INTUG** Belgium and Denmark

- similar in geography
- apparently two of the European leaders in broadband
- enormous difference in practice:
  - Belgium is EUR 35 per month for 3Mbit/s
  - Denmark is EUR 47 per month for 0.25Mbit/s
- mysterious TDC speed limit of 2Mbit/s
- competition for Belgacom from Telenet, offering 4Mbit/s



### **INTUG** Belgium

- Telenet cable modem service only in Flanders
- UPC/Chello in Brussels and Leuven (Flanders)
- cable modems:
  - Flanders 306,000 lines (for 5.973 M) = 5.1%
  - Brussels 20,000 (for 0.978M) = 2.0%
  - Wallonie about 60,000 (for 3.359 M) = 1.8%
- small Wallonian cable companies unable to get into Internet access
- plus 500,000 lines of Belgacom ADSL
- differences in PC ownership
  - 22 per 100 population in Wallonie
  - 30 per 100 population in Flanders
- no figures for German speaking community



### **INTUG** beyond 20Mbps

- Video DSL in Korea
  - 12 to 50 Mbps for High Definition TV
  - 750,000 lines in May 2003
- Fibre To The Home (FTTH) in Japan
  - 100 Mbps
  - 350,000 lines in May 2003
  - NTT launched 26Mbit/s VDSL
- new business model:
  - cheap access
  - cheap telephony
  - video on demand



### **INTUG** public WLAN

- for a few dollars more
- an incremental service for fixed broadband customers
- fits well with fixed business
- no need for complex billing systems
- not attractive to venture capitalists

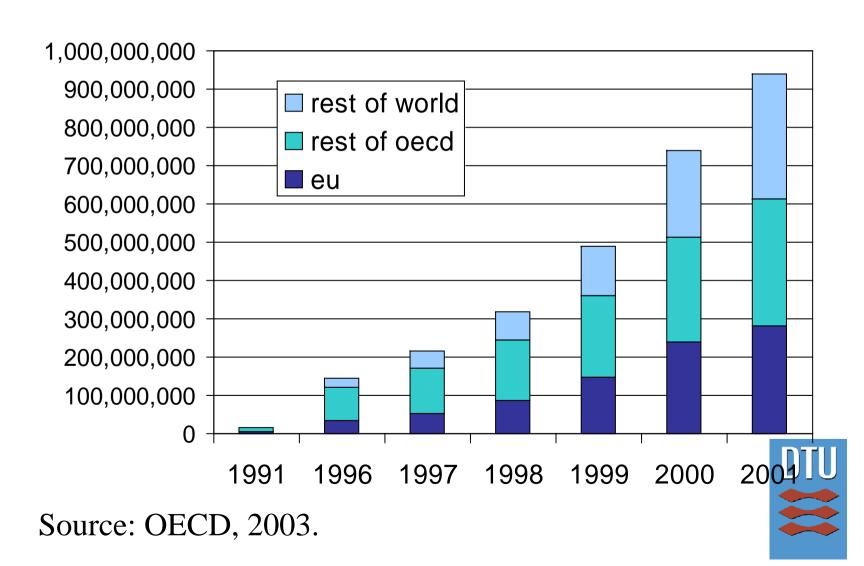


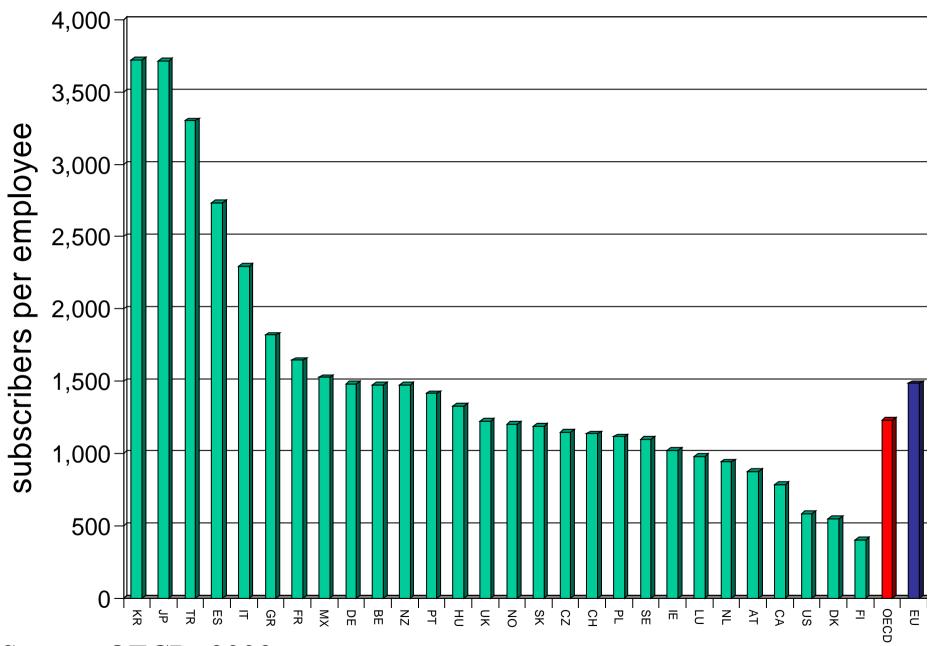
Note. Recent OECD report on public WLANs.

### **INTUG** mobile sector

- global growth is largely found in Asia and Latin America
- Europe is characterised by:
  - customer churn
  - stable ARPU
  - replacement handsets
- MNOs focus on revenue sharing for VANS
- acquisitions and privatisation processes not yet resumed, because financial markets continue to be hostile







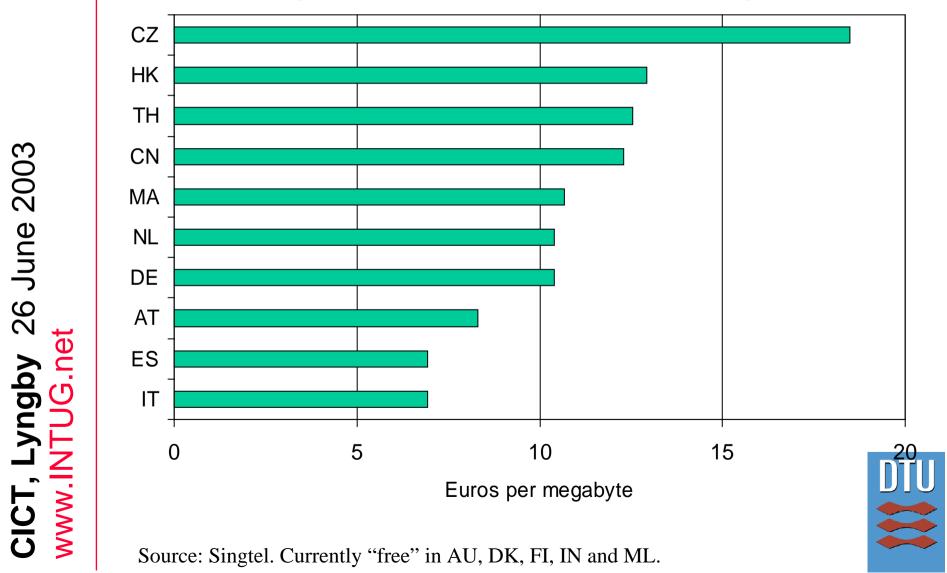
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### **INTUG** the value of mobility

- Wireless Local Loop (WLL) can provide "limited" mobility:
  - CMDA/WLL, PAS, etc
  - China, India and South Africa
- causes loss of growth potential for MNOs:
  - customer numbers
  - revenue
- raises questions:
  - how many users really need global roaming?
  - how much of a premium will they pay?
- but additional revenues from incoming roamers



### INTUG SingTel GPRS roaming rates



### INTUG 3G

- Gambling, Games, Girls
- Greed, Gullibility, Grief
- very slow deployment
- no enthusiasm from financial markets
- little evidence of increased ARPU



### **INTUG** Asia and Europe

- rapid wireless growth
- rapid broadband growth
- fast beginnings of VDSL and FTTH
- rapid product cycles seen as the way to obtain
  - feedback
  - economies of scale

- mobile sector is churn and replacement
- broadband is embroiled in LLU disputes
- grinding defence of existing revenues:
  - leased lines
  - ISDN
  - second lines



### **INTUG** conclusions

- need to monitor Asia
- need to catch up
- need to learn and modify lessons



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