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Abstract

This deliverable reports on the events supported by SNS CO-OP in the period 01 January 2025 – 31 December 2025. This deliverable tracks the events in this period that have received support from the project with organisational, dissemination and communication activities and direct participation to the events. It specifically focuses on events that have received Full organisational level support and events with Speaker / Moderation support by project team members.

The main goal of event orchestration and participation is to engage all major SNS JU stakeholders to ensure exchange of information and debates to achieve coherence and maximum impact of the overall SNS Programme.

In this reporting period, the SNS CO-OP has provided Full engagement level support to 21 events, and Speaker / moderator level support to 20 events, for a grand total of 41 events supported and reported in this Deliverable.

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Executive Summary

The SNS CO-OP project started in January 2025 and, as a Coordination and Support Action (CSA), it is involved in the planning, organisation, and participation in a number of events and in assisting the organisation of many others. This deliverable tracks the events during its first year that have received support from the project from organisational, dissemination and communication activities and direct participation to the events. During the period, the SNS CO-OP project has started to use a new online Event tracker platform, developed and hosted by Eurescom, to capture information on events in a consistent format, which can be used for regular reporting and review by the WP6 team in task 6.1. With the support of the SNS CO-OP project members, the tracker is kept up to date, while capturing relevant information on each event and their impacts to the SNS JU community. The deliverable takes information from the tracker related to SNS CO-OP and expands on the details within the tracker, providing details on the project's role in the event, impacts, and where further information can be found on the event. A sample page of the events tracker report is contained in Appendix 1.

In this first period, there was a small overlap of three months between the end of the predecessor CSA SNS OPS and start of SNS CO-OP, which enabled a smooth transition between the projects, and the information gathered on events from within the SNS OPS project were transferred from the original tracking spreadsheet to the new events tracker without any delay. This enabled the project team to focus on the events organisation and participation to a high level from the start of the SNS CO-OP project.

The level of support for the events in this report focuses on the following two categories:

F = Full engagement support, which includes organisational, agenda setting, use of platform, speaker / moderator participation, and/or some combination of one or more of these roles.

S = Moderator / Speaker support, including support as speaker and/or moderation role.

Below Tables 1 and 2 give an overview of the events supported by SNS CO-OP for each support category in an easy-to-read tabular format, showing a summary of the events addressed in the deliverable (by section number) and how they have been categorised in terms of support type offered by the project, dates and information links for each.

As shown in both tables, during the first year of the project, the SNS CO-OP team has provided F-level support to 21 events. As shown in Table 2, the SNS CO-OP team has provided S-level support to 20 events, for a grand total of 41 events reported here.

Table 1 - List of 2025 Full engagement support events

Sec. #	Event Date	Event Name	Link(s) for information
2.1	21/01/2025	IAFA#9 How advanced communications can support sustainability goals	Link
2.2	24/01/2025	UK's 6G Achievements and Experimental Platforms	Link
2.3	13/02/2025	SNS Call 3 projects onboarding webinar	Link
2.4	14/02/2025	SNS Webinar – Introducing the Call 3 SNS projects (Part 1 of 2)	Link
2.5	17/02/2025	SNS Webinar – Introducing the Call 3 SNS projects (Part 2 of 2)	Link
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2.7	08/05/2025	Dutch National Initiative on 6G Presentation	Link1 Link2
2.8	19/05/2025	Joint webinar of the 6G-IA and 5G-ACIA "Update on recent 5G/6G achievements	Link
2.9	22/05/2025	The Italian National Initiative on 6G: the achievements in the RESTART program	Link

2.10	03/06/2025	Convened session on 6G National Initiatives at EuCNC 2025	Link
2.11	03/06/2025	SRG workshop on sustainability at EuCNC 2025	Link
2.12	05/06/2025	Convened session at EuCNC 2025 on SMEs on the spotlight: driving innovation in next generation of communication networks	Link
2.13	16/06/2025	SNS CO-OP questionnaire webinar	Link
2.14	30/06/2025	The French National Initiative on 6G	Link
2.15	04/07/2025	2nd Bharat 6G Alliance and 6G IA Workshop	Link
2.16	04/09/2025	SNS CO-OP webinar series on National Initiatives: Resilience in 6G – the Finnish view	Link
2.17	19/09/2025	NetworldEurope/CCSA Non-Terrestrial Networks Workshop	Link
2.18	10/10/2025	6G-IA - 5G-ACIA joint webinars: ISAC/JCAS webinar	Link
2.19	21–22 / 10/2025	Techritory	Link
2.20	28/10/2025	SNS CO-OP webinar series on National Initiatives: The Swedish National Initiative on 6G	Link
2.21	25-26/ 11/2025	Visions for Future Communications Summit	Link

Table 2 - List of Moderator / Speaker support events (2025)

Sec. #	Event Date	Event Name	Link(s) for information
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3.2	27/03/2025	3GPP standards and SNS JU impact	Link
3.3	01/04/2025	INPACE 6G Workshop in Tokyo	Link
3.4	29/04/2025	Test and Measurement Forum	Link
3.5	29/04/2025	5G Forum	Link
3.6	26-28 /05/2025	6G-IA - XGMF workshop	Link
3.7	04/06/2025	Special session II at EuCNC 2025	Link
3.8	05/06/2025	Poster session II at EuCNC 2025	Link
3.9	18/06/2025	SEADE R&I Summit 2025	Link
3.10	24/6 - 3/7/2025	ITU-R WP5D meeting	Link
3.11	01-3/07/2025	Berlin 6G Conference	Link
3.12	08/07/2025	2nd International Workshop on System Architectures of Future Core Networks	Link
3.13	07/10/2025	FNS Open event - at Delft University of Technology	Link
3.14	08-10/ 10/2025	10th Bharat 6G event - India Mobile Congress	Link
3.15	21-22/ 10/2025	CEATEC 2025	Link
3.16	21-22/ 10/2025	NEM Summit	Link
3.17	27-31 /10/2025	Mobile Korea 2025	Link
3.18	29/10/2025	The Path to 6G Webinar	Link
3.19	01/12/2025	2nd Workshop with IMT-2030(6G) PG	Link
3.20	03/12/2025	From Research to Impact: Exploring the Top-10 Key Achievements of SNS JU projects	Link

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Abbreviations

5G-ACIA	5G Alliance for Connected Industries and Automation
6G-IA	6G Smart Networks and Services Industry Association
AIOTI	Alliance for AI, IoT and Edge Continuum Innovation
ASMS	Advanced Satellite Multimedia Systems
BSCW	Basic Support for Cooperative Work
CCSA	China Communications Standards Association
CEF	Connecting Europe Facility
CSA	Coordination and Support Action
EDIH	European Digital Innovation Hub
EC	European Commission
ETSI	European Telecommunication Standards Institute
EuCNC	European Conference on Networks and Communications
FNS	Future Network Services
HEU	Horizon Europe
IAFA	Impact Assessment and Facilitation Action
ISAC/JCAS	Integrated Sensing and Communication / Joint Communication and Sensing
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
MWC	Mobile World Congress
NEM	New European Media
NTN	Non-Terrestrial Networks
PPDR	Public Protection and Disaster Relief
PSM	Pre-Structuring Model
R&I	Research and Innovation
SB	Steering Board
SCoDIHNet	Smart Connectivity Digital Innovation Hub Network
SEADE	Strengthening the Europe-Africa Digital Ecosystem Through Increased R&I Cooperation
SNS CO-OP	SNS Collaborative Operations and Output Optimisation
SNS JU	Smart Network and Services Joint Undertaking
SNS OC TF	SNS Open Calls Task Force
SRG	States Representatives Group
SRIA	Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda
T&Ps	Trials and Pilots
Top-10 KAs	Top-10 Key Achievements
XGMF	XG Mobile Promotion Forum

1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose and scope

The SNS CO-OP project started in January 2025 and, as a Coordination and Support Action (CSA), it is involved in the planning, organisation, and participation in a number of events and in assisting the organisation of many others. This deliverable tracks the events that have received support from the SNS CO-OP project from organisational, dissemination, communication activities, and direct participation to the events.

In order to proactively collect the data for SNS CO-OP supported events, the project team is using an online Events tracker, developed and hosted by Eurescom, which is kept up to date by the project members while capturing relevant information on each event, roles of team members, and their impacts to the SNS JU and wider communities, and reference information and links. The deliverable takes information from the tracker specifically for the SNS CO-OP project and expands on the details for the reader.

During the reporting period, SNS CO-OP actively engaged in a wide range of events, demonstrating its pivotal role in fostering knowledge exchange, promoting research outcomes, and strengthening the SNS JU ecosystem. The period of coverage in this deliverable is 01 January to 31 December 2025, i.e., the first 12 months of the project. The deliverable focuses on events that are provided the following levels of support: Full engagement support and Speaker / Moderator support by the project team members. Here is the comprehensive view of activities, that the partners have been engaged.

SNS JU takes centre stage at major events supported by SNS CO-OP, building on the momentum taking place in the overall SNS JU programme. As an example, the SNS JU has increasingly taken a **central role at flagship forums** such as MWC Barcelona, EuCNC & 6G Summit, and Techtritory, showcasing the collective strength of Europe's 6G research ecosystem through coordinated presence, curated sessions, and unified messaging. At EuCNC, the SNS JU is now recognised as a **leading voice shaping the global 6G narrative**. By driving joint workshops, expert panels, the programme delivers strong visibility for European innovation, attracting industry, policy, and international partners. The SNS JU's prominence at these events accelerates European engagement and amplifies the outcomes of the SNS community. This collective representation ensures that the EU's 6G ambitions are clearly communicated, well-understood, and globally competitive.

The Full engagement support events were comprised of **8 strategic workshops** - including sessions at EuCNC 2025, the NetworldEurope / CCSA joint workshops, SRG's sustainability-focused discussions, and global collaborations such as the 2nd Bharat 6G Alliance & 6G-IA Workshop - alongside **13 high-impact webinars** introducing national initiatives, highlighting research achievements, and engaging stakeholders in key thematic areas such as ISAC/JCAS, resilience, and experimental platform development. A breakdown of these events can be found in Appendix B. Through these engagements, the project has strengthened connections with national 6G initiatives, industry alliances, and academic leaders, while elevating the visibility of ongoing SNS efforts.

In addition, SNS CO-OP also supported **20 moderator and speaker** support events across a wide range of high-level events, including ASMS, INPACE Tokyo, the Berlin 6G Conference, and key global 6G forums in India, Japan, and Korea.

Recently, SNS CO-OP contributed to the flagship session "From Research to Impact: Exploring the Top-10 Key Achievements of SNS JU Projects", helping articulate programme outcomes towards next-generation communication systems. With the above contributions, the project facilitated the discussions, highlighted SNS JU priorities, and strengthened alignment with national and international 6G initiatives. Our participation ensured clear visibility of programme achievements and impact-driven dialogue across the global 6G community.

Collectively, these contributions helped reinforce knowledge exchange, align future priorities, and support the wider community working toward innovative, sustainable, and globally competitive 6G technologies.

This active participation reflects SNS CO-OP's commitment to enhancing visibility and reinforcing leadership in 6G research. Through these activities, the SNS JU initiative has successfully strengthened collaboration, amplified research impact, and supported the alignment of technical, societal, and policy objectives within the SNS JU ecosystem and beyond.

1.2 Structure of this document

The deliverable is broken into the following sections:

- **Section 2** highlights events in the period receiving full engagement support, which includes organisational, agenda setting, use of platform, speaker / moderator participation, and/or some combination of one or more of these roles.
- **Section 3** highlights events where the project provided moderator and / or speaker support, including support as a recognised speaker and/or moderation role.
- **Section 4** highlights how the SNS CO-OP project has supported events involved in important activities related to synergy mapping and events where SNS CO-OP has taken the centre stage.
- **Section 5** “Conclusions” briefly outlines the conclusions and next steps that will be carried out in the remainder of the project.

2 Full engagement support events

A number of events were held in the first year that received significant levels of support by the SNS CO-OP project team, including organisational, agenda setting, speaker / moderator participation, use of platform, dissemination and communications support, and/or some combination of these roles. These events are categorised as **full engagement support** and are highlighted in this section.

2.1 IAFA#9 How advanced communications can support sustainability goals

21 January 2025, Virtual

Short description: The Impact Assessment and Facilitation Action (IAFA) event is an integral part of the efforts of SNS CO-OP to strengthen cooperation with other initiatives and leverage synergies. In this case, the aim was to provide an open information space to share current and future views on “How advanced communications can support sustainability goals” and hopefully empower each one of us with the knowledge, tools and inspiration needed to make sustainable choices that can impact our work, community and the planet.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner Instituto de Telecomunicações, led by Jose Cabaça and Rui Aguiar, SB Chair of NetworldEurope, had the overall responsibility as Co-Chair and speaker and the full organisation of the IAFA #9 workshop. This included the following activities:

- Full engagement support event organized by NetworldEurope and AIOTI.
- Preparation of the agendas.
- contacting the SNS JU, NetworldEurope and other related participants and inviting them to present.
- creating the registration forms and monitoring the participant registrations.
- chairing the sessions.
- recording the webinars and making the recorded presentations as well as the presented slides available on the NetworldEurope web site.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: There were 199 registered attendants, and the impact of the event was captured in the final report with the speakers and participants declaring the workshop to be very interesting and provocative.

Info about promotion of event: Event report, presentations and video recordings available at <https://www.networldeurope.eu/event/workshop-how-advanced-communications-can-support-sustainability-goals-21-january-2025/> announcing the events to the community via the web and social media channels. The event was also promoted in the January 2025 SNS Newsflash at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-january-2025-newsflash/>.

2.2 UK's 6G Achievements and Experimental Platforms

24 January 2025, Virtual

Short description: As highlighted in the recently published **SNS R&I Work Programme 2025 (SNS WP 2025)**, the SNS JU actively encourages the integration of results and experimental platforms from national initiatives into its calls. This approach ensures that Europe remains competitive in the global technology race by effectively pooling expertise and resources across national and EU levels. Furthermore, it supports the EU's strategic goals of **digital sovereignty** and **technological independence** by fostering a cohesive and collaborative research and innovation ecosystem. In alignment with these goals and as part of the **SNS CO-OP project**, **6G-IA** has organized a series of webinars where various national initiatives showcased their key achievements and shared information about their experimental platforms. The first webinar in this series was held on 24 January 2025, from

11:00 to 12:30 CET, featuring an in-depth presentation of the UK's 6G R&I activities and platforms.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner TNO, led by Prachi Sachdeva, organised the event.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: There were 75 registered attendants, with inspiring presentations made by the speakers.

Info about promotion of event: Event presentations and video recordings available at the SNS events page at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/uals-6g-achievements-and-experimental-platforms/>. The event was also promoted in the January 2025 newsflash at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-january-2025-newsflash/>.

2.3 SNS Call 3 projects onboarding webinars

13 February 2025, Online

Short description: SNS OPS and SNS CO-OP co-organized a dedicated session for Call 3 projects on 13 February 2025. The goal of the session was to support the onboarding of SNS projects to joint activities in SNS. It targeted SNS Call 3 projects as these projects had only recently joined the inter-project activities in SNS and were thus not yet so familiar with the structure and activities. The session gave an overview of the organisational structure in SNS, introduced the projects to the Steering Board, Technology Board and the project Working Groups, and concluded with some information on the collaborative tools and the practicalities of the collaboration in SNS. Planning for the series of two webinars being co-organized by SNS OPS and SNS CO-OP to facilitate the new SNS Call 3 projects to become included in the joint SNS activities were discussed also. These sessions will be described in the next sections.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partners were involved in the organisation and running of the webinar, with Uwe Herzog (Eurescom), Alexandros Kaloxyllos (6G-IA), Mikael Fallgren (Ericsson Research), Kostas Trichias (6G-IA) taking leading roles.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: This was a great facilitator event to enable the new projects to learn about one another and to onboard them to the SNS programme. There were around 50 participants, mostly from SNS Call 3 projects.

Info about promotion of event: The event was not publicised as it was a private event for Call 3 projects. Invitations were emailed to Call 3 project Coordinators, Technical Managers and Comms TaskForce representatives. The events were promoted in January 2025 newsflash and newsletter at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-january-2025-newsletter/> and <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-january-2025-newsflash/>.

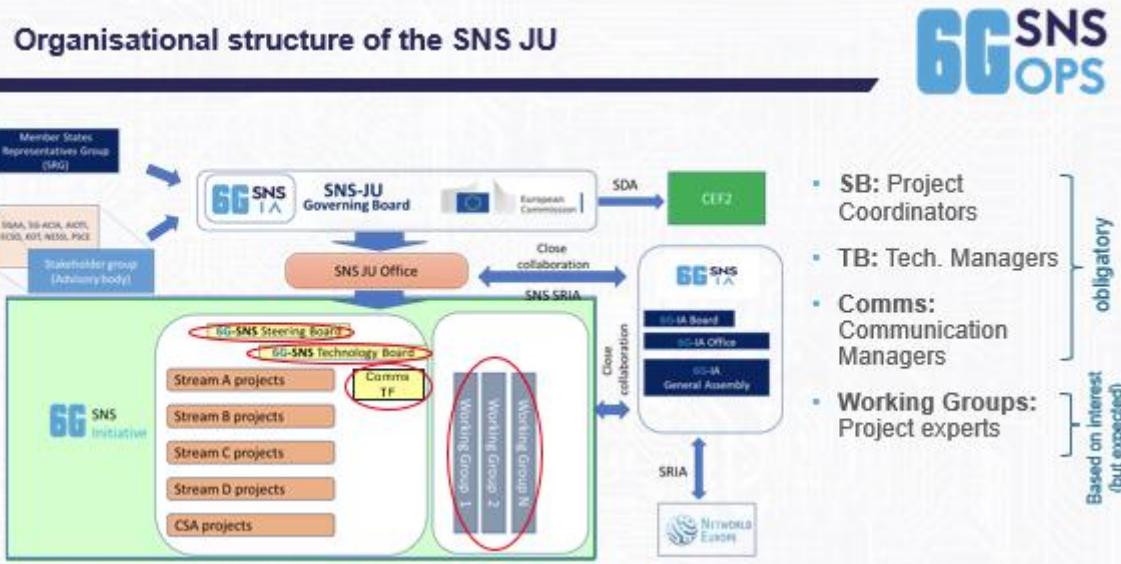


Figure 1 - Introducing the structure of SNS JU to Call 3 projects

2.4 SNS Webinar – Introducing the Call 3 SNS projects (Part 1 of 2)

14 February 2025, Online

Short description: The first of these webinars presented Stream B1 (System Architecture), B2 (Wireless Communication Technologies and Signal Processing), B3 (Communication Infrastructure Technologies and Devices) and B4 (Reliable Services and Smart Security) projects.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partners were involved in the organisation and running of the webinar, with Uwe Herzog (Eurescom), Alexandros Kaloxyllos (6G-IA), Mikael Fallgren (Ericsson Research), Kostas Trichias (6G-IA) taking leading roles.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: This was a great facilitator event to enable the new projects to learn about one another and to onboard them to the SNS programme. There were 144 attendees at its peak.

Info about promotion of event: The event was publicised at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/sns-ju-call-3-projects-introduction-webinars/>, at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/sns-ju-call-3-projects-introduction-webinars/#Webinar-1> and in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-january-2025-newsletter/> and <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-january-2025-newsflash/>.

The presented slides were made available after the event on this page. A Playlist of the recordings of the webinar can be found at https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLdoUExp7oG-4nGL_Rw4rLW5BAhaABKuUP and in the February 2025 newsflash published at the end of the month at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-february-2025-newsflash/>.



Figure 2 - Advertisement for the first of the Call 3 projects intro webinars

2.5 SNS Webinar – Introducing the Call 3 SNS projects (Part 2 of 2)

17 February 2025, Online

Short description: The second of these webinars presented (International Collaboration – EU-Japan), B6 (International Collaboration – EU – Republic of Korea), B7 (Sustainability Lighthouse), B8 (Reliable AI for 6G), C (SNS Microelectronics Lighthouse) and D (SNS Large Scale Trials and Pilots with Verticals) projects.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partners were involved in the organisation and running of the webinar, with Uwe Herzog (Eurescom), Colin Willcock (6G SNS GB Vice-Chair, 6G-IA Chair),

Alexandros Kaloxylos (6G-IA), Mikael Fallgren (Ericsson Research), Kostas Trichias (6G-IA) taking leading roles.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: This was a great facilitator event to enable the new projects to learn about one another and to onboard them to the SNS programme. There were 108 attendees at its peak.

Info about promotion of event: The event was publicised at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/sns-ju-call-3-projects-introduction-webinars/> and <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/sns-ju-call-3-projects-introduction-webinars/#Webinar-2>. The presented slides were made available after the event on this page. A Playlist of the recordings of the webinar can be found at https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLdoUExp7oG-7i_cJAbmTP2_p6hZh-78pE. This 2nd webinar was also publicised in newsflashes and newsletters as it was the case for the first one.

2.6 NetworldEurope / China Communications Standards Association (CCSA) Autonomous Networks Workshop @MWC 2025

05 March 2025, Barcelona, Spain

Short description: The Workshop “Autonomous Network for Future – AI, Vertical Oriented New Business Services” was co-organized by NetworldEurope and China Communications Standards Association (CCSA). The event was organised as a fully hybrid event, online using the Zoom access details and an onsite component in Barcelona during the MWC2025 event. The workshop aimed to provide an open information space to share current and future views about the Autonomous Network, and how this theme is being addressed by different stakeholders. Two different discussion panels were organized, addressing challenges and evolution, new use cases and technology trends as well as standardization and next step industry developments related to Autonomous Networks. The workshop featured key speakers from industry and academia, representing the views of manufacturers, operators, industry bodies, and research scientists.

Participant(s) role during event: Rui Aguiar from SNS CO-OP partner Instituto de Telecomunicações, SB Chair of NetworldEurope, and his team, had the overall responsibility as Co-Chair and speaker and the full organisation of the workshop. This included the following activities:

- the preparation of the agendas.
- contacting the SNS JU, NetworldEurope and CCSA related participants and inviting them to present.
- creating event pages on the NetworldEurope web <https://www.networldeurope.eu/early-notice-workshop-autonomous-network-for-future-ai-vertical-oriented-new-business-services-barcelona-5-march-2025/>.
- announcing the events to the community via the web and social media channels.
- creating the registration forms and monitoring the participant registrations.
- chairing the sessions.
- recording the webinars and making the recorded presentations as well as the presented slides available on the NetworldEurope web site.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: This event is an integral part of the efforts of SNS CO-OP to strengthen cooperation with other initiatives and leverage synergies. The panels have identified some of the current challenges and evolution based upon a number of relevant use cases and technology trends. A second panel focused on the requirements for standards development and next steps for industry development in areas especially related to autonomous networks.

Info about promotion of event: A workshop report, presentations and videos of the event are available at <https://www.networldeurope.eu/early-notice-workshop-autonomous-network-for-future-ai-vertical-oriented-new-business-services-barcelona-5-march-2025/>.



Figure 3 - NetworldEurope / CCSA Autonomous Networks for Future Workshop @MWC 2025

2.7 Dutch National Initiative on 6G Presentation

08 May 2025, Virtual

Short description: Within SNS CO-OP's activities, 6G-IA organised a series of webinars where various national initiatives will showcase their key achievements and share information about their experimental platforms. The second webinar in this series occurred on 8th May 2025, from 11:00 to 12:30 CET, featuring an in-depth presentation of the Dutch 6G R&I activities and platforms as a part of their national program, Future Network Services (FNS). [<https://futurenetworkservices.nl/>]

The webinar provided insights in the 6G research activities in the Netherlands. The individual presentations addressed the following questions:

1. The scope of the activities in the Netherlands including the specific research focus, achievements so far, and further planned deliveries.
2. The different organisations active in the 6G national initiative and their role.
3. The capabilities of the partners involved in FNS and their possible participation in the upcoming SNS-calls.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner TNO, led by Prachi Sachdeva, organised and chaired the event. The event was opened by Colin Willcock (6G-IA Board Chairman).



Figure 4 - Prachi Sachdeva and Colin Willcock

Major (lasting) impacts of event: With 75 registered attendees, this webinar was part of the national initiative webinar series, featuring an in-depth presentation of the Dutch 6G R&I activities and platforms as a part of their national program, Future Network Services (FNS). [<https://futurenetworkservices.nl/>]

Info about promotion of event: The presentations are available at https://smart-networks.europa.eu/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/fns6g_20250508-fns-introduction-for-sns-ops-v1.1.pdf and a video of the event is available at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/dutch-national-initiative-on-6g-presentation/>. The event was also promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-june-may-2025-newsflash/>.

2.8 Joint webinar of the 6G-IA and 5G-ACIA "Update on recent 5G/6G achievements

19 May 2025, Virtual

Short description: The 6G Smart Networks and Services Industry Association (6G-IA) and the 5G Alliance for Connected Industries and Automation (5G-ACIA) co-organised a webinar on “5G and 6G Industry/Manufacturing Trials and Pilots (T&Ps) – Highlights, Lessons Learnt, “5G/6G Empowerment” and “Pain Points” on 19 May, 10:00 – 12:00 CEST.

This event was an opportunity to present the key actions and achievements on 5G and 6G Industry/Manufacturing T&Ps, from both 6G-IA (e.g. T&Ps Brochures, Vertical Engagement Tracker (VET), Trials WG...) and 5G-ACIA (e.g. Testbed Brochure, Industrial 5G User Guide...) perspectives, targeting also to further develop synergies between both communities.

Participant(s) role during event: In addition to organizing the event, SNS CO-OP partners 6G-IA, Nokia, and CTTC made presentations in the opening session and in a panel session on 5G Infrastructure PPP and SNS Trials & Pilots (T&Ps) – 3 Major Highlights. The opening session presentation was made by Colin Willcock (6G-IA Board Chairman) and the panel presentations were made by Kostas Trichias (6G-IA – SNS Technology Board (TB) Chairman), Didier Bourse (6G-IA SNS T&Ps Brochures Core Team Chairman), and Carles Antón-Haro (6G-IA Trials WG Chairman). In addition, Didier Bourse moderated a session on Highlights on 5G/6G Industry/Manufacturing T&Ps and Carles Antón-Haro moderated a panel on Lessons learnt, key take away points and overall “5G Empowerment” / “Pain Points” for Industry/Manufacturing T&Ps. Colin Willcock (6G-IA Board Chairman) and Andreas Mueller (5G-ACIA General Chair) closed the event highlighting the main points discussed.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: There were 60 registered for the webinar. The Webinar included one specific session highlighting two SNS and two 5G-ACIA Industry/Manufacturing T&Ps and one Panel Session to address the “5G / 6G Empowerment” (benefits/value brought by 5G Advanced / 6G that previous generations cannot provide) and the “Pain Points” for Industry/Manufacturing T&Ps.

Info about promotion of event: A recording of the event can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uy7fXLg1omg>. The event was promoted in newsflashes and

newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-may-2025-newsflash/>.

2.9 The Italian National Initiative on 6G: the achievements in the RESTART program

22 May 2025, Virtual

Short description: Within SNS CSA CO-OP project activities, [6G-IA](#) is organizing a series of webinars where various national initiatives showcase their key achievements and share information about their experimental platforms. The third webinar in this series took place on 22 May 2025, from 10:30 to 12:00 CEST, featuring an in-depth presentation of the Italian 6G R&I activities and platforms as a part of their national program, RESTART. The research and development program [RESTART 'RESearch and innovation on future Telecommunications systems and networks](#), to make Italy more smART' is the most important public R&D program ever implemented in the Telecommunications sector in Italy.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner Eurescom, led by Pooja Mohnani, chaired the event. The event was opened by Colin Willcock (6G-IA Board Chairman).



Figure 5 - Pooja Mohnani and Colin Willcock

Major (lasting) impacts of event: RESTART has the ambitious goal of contributing to shaping the evolution of Telecommunications in Italy, restarting a sector that possesses world-class expertise and experience. It focuses on the main topics of Telecommunications science and technology, including all types of related systems and networks for both human and non-human users. For example, high-capacity fixed networks, 5G/6G cellular networks, local area networks, satellite networks, the Internet, applications, and services in various sectors such as agriculture, commerce, energy, finance, industry, media, health, security, and transportation. RESTART leverages and contribute to technologies such as distributed cloud, artificial intelligence, programmable hardware architectures, integrated optics and optical computing, optoelectronics, and sensing. The webinar gave a comprehensive overview of some of the key initiatives within RESTART and focussed in particular on the experimental facilities and labs that have been created in some of the most impactful research activities.

Info about promotion of event: The presentations and recording of the event can be found here: <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/the-italian-national-initiative-on-6g-the-achievements-in-the-restart-program/>. The event was also promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-may-2025-newsflash/>.

2.10 Convened session on 6G National Initiatives at EuCNC

03 - 06 June 2025, Poznan, Poland

Short description: Continuing developing the European 6G ecosystem requires an unprecedent collaborative effort and building synergies between the EU and the members states R&I programs is of the essence. These messages were conveyed at the Convened session on 6G National Initiatives: “A

collaborative approach to 6G – unifying the European R&I ecosystem”. With a significant portion of the 6G research in Europe being spread out among the member states, it was very valuable to have our national initiative representatives from 6 Member States and United Kingdom, including [Ari Pouttu](#) (Finland), [Paul Wijngaard](#) (The Netherlands), [Kostantinos \(Kostas\) Katsaros](#) (United Kingdom), [Oumaïma El Bouhmadi](#) (France), [Lars Gustafsson](#) (Sweden), [Dan Kilper](#) (Ireland), and [Hans Schotten](#) (Germany) presented the 6G work being done within their countries and share their thoughts on relevant topics such as resilience, security, sustainability in 6G, and the role of standardisation in this process.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner TNO, led by Prachi Sachdeva, organised and chaired the event.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The discussion during the session highlighted the increasing need for aligning the vision, the investment and the research work carried out on 6G among the SNS JU program, projects and the national initiatives. The resulting discussions from this event and other national initiative webinars have been incorporated into a section on EU national initiatives in D1.1, SNS Impact analysis report 1.0.

Info about promotion of event: The session was highlighted on the SNS JU site in the key takeaways for EuCNC 2025 here; <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/europe-charts-the-course-to-6g-takeaways-from-eucnc-6g-summit-2025-in-poznan/>. The event was also publicised on LinkedIn at <https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7336509455703949312/> and in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-may-2025-newsflash/>.

2.11 States Representatives Group (SRG) workshop on sustainability at EuCNC 2025

03 June 2025, Poznan, Poland

Short description: The SNS JU is committed to reinforcing European technological leadership in the development and deployment of next-generation network technologies, connected devices and smart services, while accelerating the digital and green transition of the European economy and society for Europe’s global competitiveness. In alignment with the EU Commission’s new plan for Europe’s sustainable prosperity and competitiveness, one of the SNS JU specific objectives is to design, develop and ultimately foster the deployment of energy-efficient network technologies. The goal is to significantly reduce the energy and resource consumption, reducing carbon footprint of the digital infrastructure by 2030 (“Sustainable 6G”) while also decreasing the energy consumption of key verticals industries (“6G for Sustainability”), and serving as a key enabler of broader environmental and societal sustainability goals. This special session within EuCNC 2025 was pitched and accepted to address these important topics within the wider SNS and 6G ecosystem in attendance.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner 6G-IA, led by Kostas Trichias (6G-IA – SNS Technology Board (TB) Chairman), who made a presentation on SNS TB activities on Sustainability.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: Several SNS JU-funded research projects are focusing on different aspects of 6G and sustainability and are currently investigating the implementation of sustainability indicators (Key Value indicators (KVI)) in telecommunications networks. Given the multi-dimensional nature of sustainability, the SNS JU is equally exploring how 6G and future connectivity can be both sustainable and “desirable” from a societal perspective. Addressing these issues is crucial for policy makers and European governments.

Against this background, the special session SRG workshop on sustainability was an excellent opportunity to frame the debate on sustainability and 6G for the SRG members, to better understand the role and missions of the SNS Technology Board Sustainability Task Force and the upcoming SNS Sustainability Working Group, present key achievements from some key SNS JU projects, and identify possible actions in the context of the SRG to support the SNS JU’s work on sustainable 6G and 6G for sustainability in view for Europe to position sustainability, both environmental and societal, as a key differentiator for Europe’s future networks and services.

Info about promotion of event: The event key takeaways were highlighted on the SNS JU site here; <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/europe-charts-the-course-to-6g-takeaways-from-eucnc-6g-summit->

2025-in-poznan/.

2.12 Convened session at EuCNC 2025 on SMEs on the spotlight: driving innovation in next generation of communication networks

05 June 2025, Poznan, Poland

Short description: The advent of 6G will revolutionise the telecommunications sector. As the backbone of the European industry, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) play a pivotal role in this transition, fostering innovation, developing novel specialised solutions, and bridging critical gaps in the ecosystem. SMEs have had a key role in the work carried out in EC-funded research on smart networks and services. Their flexibility in adapting to market trends and demands coupled with strong local community ties are key in facilitating a wider adoption of their innovations, job creation, and significant socioeconomic impact. SMEs are also central to ensure an ethical and sustainable technology. The session was structured in three main parts: (a) an overview of the SME participation in SNS JU calls and cascade funding since the start of the programme; (b) presentations of SME success stories linked to different projects and contributions; and (c) a panel discussion focusing on the various challenges and benefits faced by SMEs in relation to their involvement in European R&I projects.

Participant(s) role during event: Organised by SNS CO-OP partners Australo, led by Jessica Carneiro, SETU, led by Jim Clarke and Hazel Peavoy, and 6G-IA, led by Alexandros Kaloxyllos. In addition, a keynote was delivered by the SNS CO-OP partner and NetworldEurope Chair – Dr. Rui Aguiar.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The aim of this session organised by SNS CO-OP partners was to present an overview of the role of SMEs in the SNS/6G landscape, highlighting their contribution to European research in the topic and their success stories. It also served as a platform to discuss the current challenges affecting SMEs and how to encourage a greater visibility and participation in the ecosystem.

The opening remarks, delivered by Oana Radu (SNS JU Programme Officer), underlined how SMEs contribute to Europe's leadership in 6G through their agility, impact on digital sovereignty, and innovation in vertical applications. Various members of the NetworldEurope SME WG presented their achievements in the scope of SNS JU work: Edgardo Montes de Oca (Montimage), Adam Flizikowski (IS-Wireless), Janez Sterle (Internet Institute), and Israel Koffman (RunEl).

The panel discussion, titled “How SMEs Are Shaping the Future of Connectivity”, involved representatives from the industry (Mikael Fallgren, Ericsson and SNS-I SB Chair), the 6G-IA (Kostas Trichias, 6G-IA Senior Researcher/ Project Manager & SNS TB Chair), SMEs (Yudani Riobo, Quobis) and academia (Konstantinos Maliatsos, University of the Aegean). The panel explored how SMEs can overcome structural barriers, access funding, and participate in standardisation while leading innovation in next-generation connectivity. The moderator was Jessica Carneiro, chair of the SME WG.



Figure 6 - SMEs on the spotlight session collage

Info about promotion of event: The convened session was publicised here: <https://www.eucnc.eu/programme/special-sessions/convened-session-5/>.

More information found at:

<https://euagenda.eu/publications/smes-on-the-spotlight-at-eucnc-6g-summit-2025-driving-innovation-in-the-next-generation-of-communication-networks>

<https://smart-networks.europa.eu/networkdeurope-sme-wg-showcases-sme-leadership-at-eucnc-6g-summit-2025/>

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2.13 SNS CO-OP questionnaire webinar

16 June 2025, Virtual

Short description: The SNS-OPS project and followed now by the SNS CO-OP Coordination & Support Action projects, both tasked with supporting the projects' work and promoting the key messages of the SNS Joint Undertaking, have conducted an extensive survey during the first semester of 2025 to obtain additional information about each project's technical aspects, vision, approach and achievements. This webinar was held to promote the results of this important work.

Participant(s) role during event: Presentations were made by SNS CO-OP participants Uwe Herzog, Eurescom, SNS CO-OP Coordinator (Welcome and introduction and Q&A and way forward); Odysseas Pyrovolakis, SNS Office, Programme Officer (Message from the SNS Office); Kostas Trichias, 6G-IA, SNS CO-OP WP1 Leader (SNS Call 3 Projects – Technical Insights); Per H. Lehne, Telenor, SNS CO-OP T1.1 Leader (SNS Call 3 Projects – Vision); Jessica Carneiro, Australo, SNS CO-OP T2.4 Leader

(SNS Call 3 Projects – Market insights); Arda Güeller, Ericsson, SNS CO-OP T1.3 Leader, and Pierre-Yves Danet, 6G-IA (Call 1+2 Achievements).

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The goal of this survey was to better understand the work planned in each of the Call 3 projects, the combined challenges with Call 1 and Call 2 projects, and the progress achieved so far by Call 1 and Call 2 projects. This webinar was designed to promote the results obtained from Call 1 and Call 2 projects and to highlight the ambitions to be achieved from the Call 3 project participants.

Info about promotion of event: The presentations and recording of the event can be found here: <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-co-op-questionnaire-webinar-sns-call-1-2-projects-results-and-call-3-projects-ambitions/>.

2.14 The French National Initiative on 6G – A unique set of facilities for the future generation of mobile communication: testing for new paradigms and applications

30 June 2025, Virtual

Short description: Within SNS CO-OP project activities, a series of webinars with various national initiatives is organized. These national initiatives showcase their key achievements and share information about their experimental platforms. The fourth webinar in the series of National Initiative webinars, was about the French 6G R&I activities, that took place on 30 June 2025.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner Eurescom, led by Pooja Mohnani, chaired the event. The event was opened by Colin Willcock (6G-IA Board Chairman). SNS CO-OP partner TNO, led by Prachi Sachdeva, was involved in the organisation of the event.



Figure 7 - Pooja Mohnani and Colin Willcock

Major (lasting) impacts of event: France 2030 represents an ambitious national strategy aimed at strengthening the country's technological and industrial sovereignty by supporting innovation across its most critical sectors. With a forward-looking investment plan, France is positioning itself at the forefront of global transformation in areas such as telecommunications, electronics, cybersecurity, cloud and edge computing, artificial intelligence, biotechnologies, and quantum technologies.

This targets both national resilience and economic competitiveness, addressing major societal challenges such as energy transition, food security, healthcare, sustainable mobility, and digital trust. France 2030 supports the full innovation chain—from fundamental research to industrial deployment—through a range of instruments including the Future Investment Program (PIA), targeted calls for collaborative R&D projects, and the Priority Research and Equipment Programs (PEPRs). A key component involves the creation of open experimental platforms, pilot industrial sites, and testbeds that enable researchers, startups, and industry players to co-develop and validate cutting-edge technologies.

This webinar provided an overview of France's strategic vision for innovation in telecoms, with a focus on some of the major experimental initiatives that are helping to shape the technological landscape of tomorrow.

Info about promotion of event: The presentations and recording of the event can be found here:

<https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/sns-co-op-webinars-on-national-initiatives-the-french-national-initiative-on-6g-a-unique-set-of-facilities-for-the-future-generation-of-mobile-communication-testing-for-new-paradigms-and-applica/>.

2.15 2nd Bharat 6G Alliance and 6G IA Workshop

04 July 2025, Virtual

Short description: A virtual workshop among EU / SNS and Bharat 6G researchers and policy makers, discussing their approach and roadmap and potential common actions, was held on 04 July 2025. The event opened with speakers from the Bharat 6G-Alliance and the 6G-IA emphasizing the importance of collaboration between Bharat and Europe in building a global 6G standard. In the first session, presenters outlined key 6G use case families and enabling technologies, noting both strong overlaps and notable differences in regional priorities. The second session reviewed the global status of 6G spectrum discussions, with a focus on WRC-27 and the respective priorities of Bharat and Europe. In the concluding discussion, participants agreed to organize three focused workshops in autumn 2025: one on 6G architecture, one on 6G spectrum including TN/NTN coexistence, and one on top 6G use case families and related topics such as AI's role in 6G and sustainability.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner 6G-IA participated, with Alexandros Kaloxylos (Organizer and moderator, Executive Director, 6G-IA), Colin Willock (Open statements, 6G-IA chairman), Carles Anton (member of CT for the SNS JU WP orientation presentations, member of CO-OP, Board member of 6G-IA), Rui Aguiar (member of CT for the SNS JU WP orientation presentations, member of CO-OP), Didier Bourse (member of CT for the SNS JU WP orientation presentations, member of CO-OP), Werner Mohr (member of CT for the SNS JU WP orientation presentations).

Major (lasting) impacts of event: Setting up regular communication means between Europe and India through the main related Association in both countries. Analysis of current status and streamlining, where possible, of common priorities for 6G.

Info about promotion of event: To have in depth discussions, the event was made with dedicated information. The results are captured in the CO-OP deliverables.

2.16 SNS CO-OP webinar series on National Initiatives: Resilience in 6G – the Finnish view

04 September 2025, Virtual

Short description: In the online national series of webinars: 'Resilience in 6G: the Finnish view' highlighted Finland's significant advancements and strategic initiatives in the realm of 6G technology, particularly focusing on resilience. The relevance of this topic lies in the critical role that 6G technology is expected to play in the future of global communications, ensuring robust and resilient networks that can withstand various challenges and disruptions.

Participant(s) role during event: Prachi Sachdeva, played a central role in the planning, coordination, and organisation of the event while Pooja Mohnani, chaired and moderated the webinar supporting the delivery of key presentations. Their combined efforts contributed significantly to the success of the event and strengthened collaboration within the SNS CO-OP community.

Major (lasting) impacts of event:

The audience heard from leading experts in the field, including representatives from the [6G Flagship](#), [VTT Technical Research](#)



Figure 8 - Pooja Mohnani

Centre of Finland, and Nokia Bell Labs. The webinar covered lessons learned from the 6G Flagship, insights into Finnish digital resilience, and updates on the European 6G Flagship Hexa-X-II project.

Info about promotion of event: The presentations and recording of the event can be found here: <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/sns-co-op-webinar-series-on-national-initiatives-resilience-in-6g-the-finnish-view/>.

2.17 NetworldEurope / CCSA Non-Terrestrial Networks Workshop

19 September 2025, Shanghai, China, Hybrid

Short description: The Workshop “Non-Terrestrial Networks” took place in the morning of 19 September 2025, organized by NetworldEurope and China Communications Standards Association (CCSA). The hybrid event had 2 channels for participation, one onsite in Shanghai and the other online, with the respective Zoom link available upon registration. The workshop aimed to provide an open information space to share current and future views about the Non-Terrestrial Networks, and how this theme is being addressed by different stakeholders. Two different discussion panels were organized, addressing challenges and evolution, new use cases and technology trends as well as standardization and next step industry developments related to Non-Terrestrial Networks.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP participants Rui Aguiar, SB Chair of NetworldEurope, and Jose Cabaça, both from Instituto de Telecomunicações, were involved in the overall organisation and Rui Aguiar participated as overall chair of the event and as speaker.



Figure 9 - Prof. Rui Aguiar from ITAV, SB Chair of NetworldEurope with CCSA Delegates

Major (lasting) impacts of event: With over 150 registrations, the event is an integral part of the efforts of SNS CO-OP to strengthen cooperation with other initiatives and leverage synergies. In this case, the aim was to provide an open information space to share current and future views about the Non-Terrestrial Networks, and how this theme is being addressed by different stakeholders. The workshop featured key speakers from industry and academia, representing the views of manufacturers, operators, industry bodies, and research scientists.

Info about promotion of event: The landing page of the event can be found here: <https://www.networldeurope.eu/workshop-non-terrestrial-networks-19-september-2025-0900-1230-cest/>. Event report, presentations and video recordings will be made available at this site.

2.18 6G-IA - 5G-ACIA joint webinars: ISAC/JCAS webinar

10 October 2025, Virtual

Short description: The 6G Smart Networks and Services Industry Association (6G-IA) and the 5G Alliance for Connected Industries and Automation (5G-ACIA) held a Webinar on the “6G-IA and 5G-ACIA Highlights, Lessons learnt and next steps on ISAC/JCAS” on Friday, 10 October, from 10:00 to 12:00 CEST. The event included representatives and presenters from 6G-IA and 5G-ACIA and was an opportunity to present the key actions and achievements on 5G and 6G ISAC/JCAS from both 6G-IA and 5G-ACIA perspectives, targeting also to further develop synergies between both communities, in addressing the next opportunities and challenges and the related next steps and actions.

Participant(s) role during event: The SNS CO-OP project was responsible for organising this webinar with project members taking chairing roles in the three sessions. Didier Bourse (Nokia France, 6G-IA SNS Work Programmes Task Force / Core Team Chairman) chaired the Session 1: ISAC/JCAS Use-cases and Requirements. Kostas Trichias (6G-IA – SNS Technology Board (TB) Chairman) chaired Session 2: ISAC/JCAS Research & Innovation, Validation and Challenges; Alex Kaloxyllos, 6G-IA Executive Director chaired Session 3: ISAC/JCAS Standardisation and Impact.

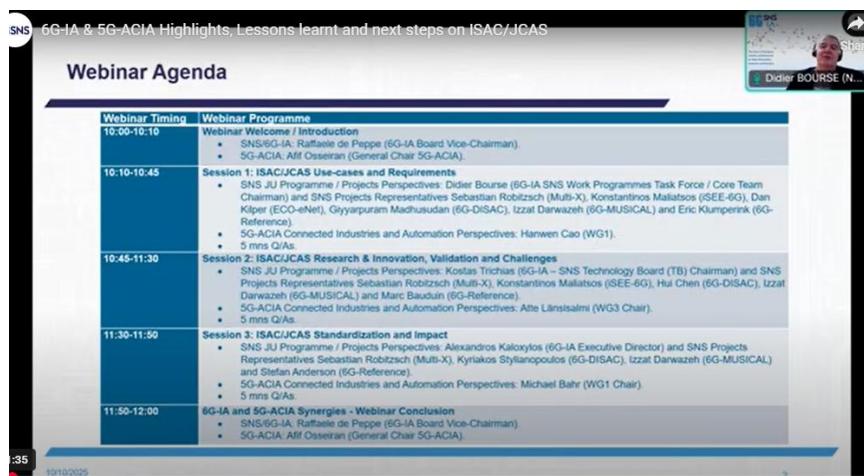


Figure 10 - ISAC/JCAS webinar agenda

Major (lasting) impacts of event: With over 50 registrants, the event included representatives and presenters from SNS/6G-IA and 5G-ACIA and was an ideal opportunity to present the key actions and achievements on 5G and 6G ISAC/JCAS from both SNS/6G-IA and 5G-ACIA perspectives, targeting also to further develop synergies between both communities, in addressing the next opportunities and challenges and the related next steps and actions.

Info about promotion of event: The landing page of the event where the presentations and recording can be found is here: <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/6g-ia-5g-acia-joint-online-webinars-isac-jcas-online-webinar/>. The event was also promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-may-2025-newsflash/>.

2.19 Techritory

22 - 23 October 2025, Riga, Latvia

Short description: Techritory is a major international forum on global connectivity and digital innovation held in Riga, Latvia. It brings together leaders from government, industry, academia, and the tech sector to discuss and co-create the future of digital infrastructure and emerging technologies. The event features keynote sessions, panels, workshops, and co-creation activities covering topics such as AI, 5G/6G, cybersecurity, digital policy, data governance, and sustainable tech solutions. For more information, please see the [website](https://www.techritory.com/) at <https://www.techritory.com/>.

Within the Techritory Forum, the SNS CO-OP team contributed valuable insights by both organizing and taking part in four events, namely:

1. WiTaR in Focus: Advancing Research and Pre-Standardisation Synergies in Emerging Technologies.
2. A European cloud: myth or reality?
3. Integrated Sensing and Communications in SNS Trials and Pilots: pathway to monetization of 6G networks.
4. European Leadership in Key Digital sectors: Driving FP10 to success.

Another important point is that three podcast episodes were recorded and are currently being published. These sessions are detailed in below sub sections.

Participants' role during the event:

1. Pooja Mohnani of Eurescom coordinated and facilitated an event as well as a podcast session.
2. Prachi Sachdeva of TNO coordinated and facilitated a podcast session.
3. José Luis Almodóvar Chico of TNO coordinated and facilitated an event as well as a podcast session.
4. Carles Antón-Haro of CTTC coordinated and facilitated an event as well as a podcast session.

Major (lasting) impacts of the event: The SNS CO-OP team contributed to the effort of fostering collaboration and strategic alignment across Europe's digital landscape by bringing together key stakeholders to shape the direction of emerging technologies and connectivity.

Information about the promotion of the event: Sessions were promoted on the SNS web site and in newsflashes and newsletters at

1. The events' information was published on Techritory's website and social media (e.g., [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#)).
2. The panel discussion “European Leadership in Key Digital sectors: Driving FP10 to success” is published on Techritory Forum’s [youtube channel](#).
3. The podcast sessions were published once reviewed by all the involved stakeholders.



Figure 11 - Techritory Forum 2025 collage

2.19.1 Techritory European Leadership in Key Digital sectors: Driving FP10 to success

Short description: This panel sought to examine the position of European industry and stakeholders in key digital sectors that are driving the developments towards the future networks and services. By engaging a variety of experts from diverse fields such as AI, Telecoms, Cloud/Edge and microelectronics as well as the Head of Unit of “New Connectivity Systems” from the European Commission, the panel delved into the strengths, weaknesses and opportunities that present themselves regarding the leadership in key Digital sectors.

The discussion revealed that while Europe maintains a strong leadership position in certain technological domains such as Telecoms, it is still finding its pace in other crucial sectors such as chips, cloud and AI. To ensure European sovereignty and a leading role of EU stakeholders in the upcoming 6G standardization as well as other domains, European stakeholders need to enhance their efforts in translating their R&I efforts (which are at the forefront of the global research activities) into impactful standards and market initiatives.

Participant(s) role during event: The following people participated in the event:

- Colin Willcock (NSN / 6G-IA) (SNS CO-OP): Moderator
- Ingmārs Pūķis - VP of LMT (Telco / MNO, AI, Defence)
- Miguel GONZALEZ-SANCHO (Head of Unit – DG CONNECT)
- Ali Nikoukar (IONOS – Cloud/Edge)
- Sylvia Lu, Deputy Chair, Cambridge Wireless (Chips / microelectronics)

Major (lasting) impacts of event: Techritory Forum 2025 gathered 2000+ participants from 63 countries and 100 speakers. This panel organized by SNS CO-OP, gathered more than 150 physical attendees while hundreds more watched it online (either live or the recording at a later time). The Panel managed to highlight the fact that future networks and services will depend on a multitude of novel technologies and the prominent position of Europe in the Telecom industry, will not be enough to guarantee a strong European influence, if other critical sectors in Europe do not catch up and become competitive with other regions. The multiple dimensions of this issue were also discussed, highlighting that European sovereignty and security depend on strengthening equally all critical sectors. The fact that all participants from a variety of institutions and industries agreed on that, made for a strong case regarding the investment of future European funds for research.

Info about promotion of event: All events were promoted via the landing page of the Techritory event² where the detailed agenda and details about each event can be found. This specific panel was further heavily advertised both by email blasts of the organizers as well as via the email lists and LinkedIn page of the 6G-IA³, which reach several thousands of people. The recording of the event⁴ is currently publicly available via the YouTube account of the Techritory organizers.

² <https://www.techritory.com/>

³ <https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7393936828971679744>

⁴ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HPcXiiY08HI>



Figure 12 - European Leadership in Key Digital sectors panel @techritory 2025

2.19.2 Co-creation event: Joint Communications and Sensing in SNS Trials and Pilots: pathway to monetization of 6G networks

Short description: Integrated Sensing and Communications (ISAC) is one of 6G's most groundbreaking innovations absent from previous generations and key to unlocking new monetization avenues. This co-creation event at 5G Techritory 2025 explored how ISAC can generate value across cutting-edge use cases such as infrastructure monitoring, smart manufacturing, and autonomous mobility. The spotlight was on the implementation of real-world trials and pilots leveraging this technology. The event brought together insights from SNS-funded projects, economic impact experts, and senior representatives from the European Commission and the SNS Office. Organized by the 6G IA Trials Working Group and the Vertical Task Force Chairs, this session connected technological potential with market-driven outcomes.

Participant(s) role during event: This event was co-organized and chaired by SNS CO-OP partners CTTC (Carles Antón-Haro (Director of EU R&D Programmes and Industrial Contracts), TIM (Raffaele de Peppe, Strategy Officer), and Trust-IT (Veronica Vuotto, Communication, Dissemination & Outreach Specialist). The panel discussion was moderated by Carles Antón-Haro. The event counted with the following speakers and panellists:

- Cristina Ciochina (Senior research staff, Mitsubishi Electric, R&D Europe)
- Barbara Pareglio (Senior Technical Director, GSMAi)
- Veronica Vuotto (Comm. Specialist, Trust - IT)
- Antonio de la Oliva (Full Professor, UC3M)
- Andreas Gavrielides (Senior Project Leader, IMEC)
- Andreas Georgakopoulos (Solutions Architect, WINGS)

Major (lasting) impacts of event: With over 200 registrants from industry, Ministry Officers, Associations, and Academia, the event was well attended. Techritory Forum 2025 gathered 2000+ participants from 63 countries and 100 speakers. This co-creation event brought to the attention of a larger audience the activities carried out in large-scale SNS 6G Trials and Pilots on ISAC, and specifically those of the Multi-X, iSEE-6G and Hexa-X-II projects. It also reviewed recent standardization activities and addressed monetization aspects of this technology. In the panel discussion, the participants, including event attendees, exchanged valuable insights on how to align standards, trials and markets with the goal of unlocking ISAC Value in 6G. The main takeaways from this event were summarized in the wrap up session. After the event, all the materials, including slidesets and the aforementioned key takeaways, were made available to registered attendees to boost its impact.

Info about promotion of event: This event was widely promoted through the Techritory landing page⁵. In addition, five targeted email campaigns were sent to selected Techritory registrants, encouraging them to participate in the ISAC co-creation session. The final agenda, the list of speakers, and the acknowledgment to the CO-OP project are available on the event's landing page⁶. The event was also publicized on LinkedIn via the official accounts of Techritory and the SNS JU.

2.19.3 Co-creation event: Advancing Research and Pre-Standardisation Synergies in Emerging Technologies

Short description: This co-creation event was designed to bridge the gap between research and standardization, which is vital to shape Europe's evolving landscape of connectivity. This year at Techritory Forum, two 6G-IA Working Groups – Women in Telecommunications and Research (WiTaR), together with the Pre-Standardisation Working Group – joined forces to explore how to build a stronger, more inclusive pipeline from R&D to standards in the emerging 6G landscape. This effort is co-ordinated with efforts from SNS JU funded project SNS CO-OP.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner Eurescom participated, with Project Manager Pooja Mohnani contributing to the organisation and chairing of the session. The session kicked off with a recorded video message from, Erzsébet Fitori, Executive Director of the SNS JU, acknowledging the WiTaR's progress while underlining the continued need for systemic work ahead.

Building on this, Pooja Mohnani presented WiTaR's objectives at European, R&I, and societal levels, highlighting ongoing efforts to promote gender balance, increase visibility of women leaders, and support emerging role models. She also showcased WiTaR's growing range of activities, from in-person events to its well-received Lunch Salons. Insights from Veronica Vuotto, Vice-Chair of the Pre-Standardisation WG, provided a view of the standardisation landscape and introduced tools such as the Vertical Engagement Tracker.

The session included expert keynote from: Dr. Rute C. Sofia, leader of the European Task Force on 5G+/6G (5G+/6G-ETF), who presented a perspective that tied gender inclusion directly to research excellence, which was further built by Prachi Sachdeva Senior 5G/6G & Cloud Networks Consultant from TNO sharing practical insights from past frameworks, highlighting how inclusivity within standardisation remains both a moral imperative and an economic one.

Finally, a panel discussion moderated by Uwe Herzog (Programme Manager at Eurescom), brought together leading voices including Didier Bourse (Director of European R&I Programs at Nokia), Prachi Sachdeva (Senior 5G/6G & Cloud Consultant, ICT Strategy & Policy at TNO), Hakima Chaouchi (Head of Digital Sovereignty and Sobriety at IMT, Expert from NGMN) and Dr. Albena Mihovska (Associate Professor at Aarhus University, one6G Association, WG3 Chair). The discussion revealed structural barriers while also showcasing inspiring opportunities to enhance diversity, strengthen collaboration, and accelerate Europe's leadership in 6G.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The session concluded with synthesising the key takeaways and outlining the next steps for WiTaR:

- Three new speakers confirmed for upcoming WiTaR Lunch Salons.
- Expansion of collaboration with the European Task Force on emerging domains such as AI, quantum, and advanced networking.
- Renewed focus on mentorship and peer collaboration, strengthening the WiTaR network's impact within the SNS ecosystem.

Info about promotion of event: The information page of the event is here:

<https://www.techritory.com/witar-in-focus-advancing-research-and-pre-standardisation-synergies-in-emerging-technologies/>. The event was heavily promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at [https://smart-](https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-september-2025-newsflash/)

⁵ <https://www.techritory.com>

⁶ <https://www.techritory.com/integrated-sensing-and-communications-in-sns-trials-and-pilots-pathway-to-monetization-of-6g-networks/>

networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-july-2025-newsflash/ and <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-october-2025-newsletter/>.

2.19.4 Podcast: Challenges and promises of ISAC for 6G: From Lab to Live Deployment

Short description: Recorded at the Techritory Forum 2025 in Riga, this podcast explores how Integrated Sensing and Communications (ISAC) is evolving from lab proofs to real 6G deployments. ISAC aims to transform mobile networks into dual systems for communication and environmental sensing, enabling new applications in mobility, industry, and public safety. Experts from three SNS JU Stream B projects—Multi-X, iSEE-6G, and Hexa-X-II—joined by GSMA Intelligence, shared insights on field trials, unexpected technical challenges, and the road to standardization. Panellists Antonio de la Oliva, Andreas Gavrielides, Andreas Georgakopoulos, and Barbara Pareglio discussed interference management, AI-driven sensing, privacy regulation, and business models such as “sensing-as-a-service.” The session closed by linking current research to upcoming large-scale pilots under SNS Call 3 projects like 6G VERSUS and AMAZING 6G.

Participant(s) role during event: The podcast was moderated by SNS CO-OP partner CTTC's Director of EU Programmes and Industrial Contracts, Carles Antón-Haro.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: At the time of writing these lines, the podcast episode on ISAC recorded at Techritory 2025 has not yet been published (as it is currently in production); however, it will be released shortly. Its expected impact is significant given the strong track record of the SNS ICE podcast series, which produced 20 episodes and reached an audience of over 2,100 listeners across 31 countries, with sustained global engagement particularly from the UK, Latvia, and Germany. Moreover, the SNS ICE podcast has consistently leveraged synergies with the Techritory Forum: selected sessions from the 2023–2024 editions were recorded, streamed live, and later converted into podcast episodes disseminated through both Techritory and SNS ICE channels, substantially amplifying their reach and visibility. Building on this well-established cooperation model and the proven dissemination impact achieved by SNS ICE, this forthcoming episode recorded at Techritory Forum 2025 and produced under the SNS CO-OP project—the successor to SNS ICE—is expected to achieve similarly high levels of visibility, community uptake, and stakeholder engagement.

Info about promotion of the podcast: The landing page of the event is here: <https://www.techritory.com/>. Although not published as of the deliverable submission, the published Podcast will be available at <https://rss.com/podcasts/sns-co-op-podcasts/>. The event was heavily promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-september-2025-newsflash/>, <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-july-2025-newsflash/> and <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-october-2025-newsletter/>.

2.19.5 Podcast -> Advancing Research and Standardisation Synergies in Emerging Technologies

Short description: Recorded at the Techritory Forum 2025 in Riga, this podcast explores how the structures between research and standardization, still hold back inclusive collaboration, and what pathways we can take together to align stakeholders and drive meaningful change.

Participant(s) role during event: The podcast was organized and moderated by SNS CO-OP partner Eurescom's Project Manager Pooja Mohnani. Experts included voices from industry and academia, Prachi Sachdeva (TNO), Hakima Chaouchi (IMT/NGMN), Dr. Albena Mihovska (Aarhus University/one6G) and Susan Rea, Centre Research Director at Munster Technological University.

The speakers shared reflections on the intersections between research and standardisation, highlighting both challenges and opportunities for women in the telecom ecosystem. Through personal stories, they illustrated how research can meaningfully shape standards, and how inclusive collaboration unlocks better outcomes for everyone. They spoke about barriers that often go unnoticed, the realities of navigating academic and standards communities, and the moments when true inclusivity made projects stronger. The discussion also showcased multi-stakeholder collaborations as the essential ingredient needed to build a inclusive research–standards pipeline.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The advice for early-career professionals, the speakers encouraged future leaders to find their voice, seek mentorship, and engage confidently in shaping future technology.

Estimated with over 200 people listening to the podcast, comprised of Researchers and innovators active in the SNS community; Policymakers and forward-thinkers attended the event. Techritory Forum 2025 gathered 2000+ participants from 63 countries and 100 speakers.

Info about promotion of event: The landing page of the event is here: <https://www.techritory.com/>. Although not published as of the deliverable submission, the published Podcast will be available at <https://rss.com/podcasts/sns-co-op-podcasts/>. The event was heavily promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-september-2025-newsflash/>, <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-july-2025-newsflash/> and <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-october-2025-newsletter/>.

2.20 SNS CO-OP webinar series on National Initiatives: The Swedish National Initiative on 6G: Perspectives from the Advanced Digitalisation program

28 October 2025, Virtual

Short description: The SNS CSA CO-OP project organised a series of webinars where various national initiatives had the opportunity to address topics of vital importance for them and for the advancement of 6G technology within Europe. The fifth webinar in this series of National Initiative webinars, featuring an in-depth presentation of the Swedish 6G R&I activities as a part of their national program.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner Eurescom, led by Uwe Herzog, and Raffaele de Peppe (Vice - Chairman, 6G-IA) co-chaired the event.



Figure 13 - Uwe Herzog, and Raffaele de Peppe

Major (lasting) impacts of event: [Advanced Digitalisation](#) is an industry-driven research and innovation program aimed at promoting and accelerating Sweden's and Swedish industry's capacity to create the digital solutions of the future, thereby driving the necessary transitions we face. This is achieved by funding demand-driven research and innovation initiatives and establishing cross-sectoral structures for collaboration. With a yearly budget of SEK 1 billion (about EUR 900 million), the program is one of the largest research and innovation initiatives in Sweden.

Digital infrastructure and communication are one of the program's central focus areas, making Advanced Digitalisation Sweden's leading funder of research and innovation in the field. The program supports the development and use of 5G in industry and highlights the importance of 5G Standalone as both a driver for industrial transformation today and a necessary step towards 6G.

In this webinar, Sweden introduced their program and took a closer look at some initiatives within digital infrastructure, with a particular focus on 6G. Representatives from competence centres and a strategic project funded by the program shared insights from their work. As an introduction, Vinnova provided an overview of Swedish 6G initiatives.

Info about promotion of event: The presentations and recording of the event can be found here: <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/the-swedish-national-initiative-on-6g-perspectives-from-the-advanced-digitalisation-program/>. The event was also promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at

<https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-october-2025-newsletter/>.

2.21 Visions for Future Communications Summit

25 – 26 November 2025, Lisbon, Portugal

Short description: Vision of Future Communications Summit is a top-quality research workshop, with the support of IEEE, oriented to identify key research areas in information and communication technologies in the mid-future of 7 to 10 years. The VFCS is an exercise we perform as the launching effort for updating the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) for the EU, an effort we have continuously made in the last years. This upcoming SRIA will have a peculiar significance. It will be the SRIA associated with the launch of FP10, the new framework program. As such, this will have a particularly large long-term impact in helping to define Europe long term priorities for the whole framework program. It will follow from the previous events held in 2017, 2019, 2021 and 2023 considering that by 2030 6G will be reaching the market. Given the expected innovation cycle times, it is now appropriate that we start discussions on Challenges for 2030 and beyond.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP participants Rui Aguiar and Jose Cabaça from Instituto de Telecomunicações were organisers, moderators and speakers at the event.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The VFCS25 closing discussion highlighted a set of converging technical, architectural, and societal challenges that will shape future communications systems. On the technology side, several areas emerged as particularly strategic. Optical was recognized as more central than initially anticipated, with significant challenges at the device level and promising developments such as hollow-core and other fibre types that could improve capabilities. At the device level aspects as improved network synchronization. Underwater communications were also discussed as a niche where, for certain applications, traditional undersea constraints may be less dominant and where unique advantages could be realized for specific applications. In parallel, satellite–terrestrial convergence, including in spectrum usage, was seen as a key frontier. The rapid progress of satellite systems—illustrated by the now-real notion of direct connectivity from regular phones—raises concerns that commercial deployments may outpace research, particularly in areas such as GNSS resilience and the use of terrestrial networks as large-scale sensors.

Edge computing and energy efficiency were recurring themes. The group stressed that the main challenge for the edge is not only latency, but also the complexity and jitter arising from the aggregation of highly heterogeneous traffic. Future edge architectures may need to be designed explicitly around controlling time variability, not just propagation delay. On energy, participants called for a clear understanding of who consumes energy and how costs are propagated from infrastructure to users. There was a strong message that systems can no longer be designed “without thinking about power,” especially given the dramatic increase in consumption caused by high-throughput wireless use cases. Ideas such as dynamically switching overlapping cells on and off according to traffic demand were cited as examples of more energy-sensitive network design.

Resilience, dual use, and federation formed another major cluster of discussion. Participants identified the need for frameworks that can guide the design of infrastructures serving both commercial and broader resilience roles, particularly where multiple networks or services are federated. Today, there is no well-defined methodology to link high-level resilience objectives to concrete technical architectures. The concept of graceful degradation was highlighted as an area where current networks fall short, with past attempts at ultra-fast handover architectures having failed due to correlated failure risks. Understanding the fundamental limits of network architectures, and how to avoid cascading failures, remains an open research problem.

A substantial portion of the debate focused on the emerging “Internet of Agents” and AI-centric networks. Participants considered scenarios where customers are AI agents rather than humans, raising questions around protocols, identification, skill and capability registration, and the orchestration of dynamic swarms of digital and physical agents. This led to broader reflections on AI delivery networks and the data/compute continuum, including the possibility of treating the network as a unified compute-communication fabric with AI services offered from the edge (an AI-CDN model) rather than from devices themselves. How these concepts interact with telco edge offerings and with large-scale sensing capabilities was identified as a strategic question for future work.

Finally, security and privacy were recognized as foundational concerns that cut across all these topics. While many enabling technologies are already standardized, deployment in real environments often lags behind. The rise of AI agents challenges traditional authentication, authorization and accounting models, especially as agents become adaptive or self-modifying. New security models will be needed to manage these entities safely. Overall, the concluding tone was both realistic and ambitious: technology, particularly AI and satellite systems, is moving faster than expected, while legal, economic and operational frameworks struggle to keep pace. The discussions clearly delineated a rich agenda for future research on resilient, energy-aware, AI-enabled communication networks."

Info about promotion of event: Landing page for the event: <https://futurecomresearch.eu/>.

3 Moderator / Speaker support events

A number of events were held in 2025 that had speaker(s) / moderator(s) participation from within the SNS CO-OP consortium. These are events that have invited team members to participate in a moderator and / or speaker role during the event. These events are highlighted in this section.

3.1 Advanced Satellite Multimedia Systems Conference (ASMS) Conference

26 – 28 February 2025, Sitges, Barcelona, Spain

Short description: The 12th ASMS conference and the 18th Signal Processing for Space Communications Workshop was jointly organized by the DLR Institute for Communications and Navigation and the Centre Tecnològic de Telecomunicacions de Catalunya (CTTC), with the scientific support of the European Space Agency (ESA) and the University of Bologna. The leitmotiv of the event was examining the role of Non-Terrestrial Networks (NTN) within future 6G systems.

Following a consolidated tradition, this top-level event for the Satellite Communications community provided a very exciting program in terms of keynotes speeches, tutorials and special sessions, addressing the most advanced research topics in satellite communications, together with great opportunities of networking with other colleagues and experts from both academia and industry.

Participant(s) role during event: Bernard Barani, 6G-IA was invited by Sandro Scalise, DLR, the main organizer of the conference, as speaker and moderator on a panel entitled Overview of Ongoing NTN-Related EC/SNS Projects (held Friday 28/02/2025).

Major (lasting) impacts of event: With the Mobile Wireless Conference (MWC) following immediately during the week after in Barcelona, the ASMS Conference managed to attract heavy weights of the TN/NTN domains who provided their updates and views on the NTN domain before attending the MWC. This also allowed fruitful discussion with over 100 key stakeholders (most of them being 6G-IA members) on how to position future iteration of NTN activities under the next stages of SNS implementation.

Info about promotion of event: Information on the event can be found at <https://www.asmsconference.org/>. A full programme can be found at https://www.asmsconference.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2025/02/Full_Programme_ASMS-SPSC_2025.pdf. The event was promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-february-2025-newsflash/>.

3.2 3GPP standards and SNS JU impact

27 March 2025, Virtual

Short description: The session provided an overview of 3GPP standardization, its current activities, and strategies for translating research outcomes into effective standards contributions. The agenda included an introduction on the European/ SNS JU view on the importance of standards from Agustin Diaz-Pines (European Commission), followed by an update on 3GPP activities by Jose Luis Almodovar Chico (TNO), Chair of 3GPP SA1. Additionally, best practices and success stories were presented by Mikko Uusitalo (Hexa-X-II Flagship project, Nokia), Daniel Lönnblad (SA1 delegate, Ericsson), and Devaki Chandramouli (SA2 delegate, Nokia). The webinar concluded with a round table discussion on best practices and success stories.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner Joe Luis Almodovar Chico (TNO) was invited to provide detailed information on 3GPP activities as part of his work within the 3GPP SA1.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: This event is an integral part of SNS CO-OP's efforts to gain a deeper understanding of 3GPP standardisation activities, assess their current status, and share best practices for translating research results into impactful contributions to standards. It also offers an opportunity to highlight success stories from SNS projects.

Info about promotion of event: The recording of the webinar is available at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/3gpp-standards-and-sns-ju-impact-webinar/>. The webinar was promoted in newsflashes at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-march-2025-newsflash/>.

3.3 INPACE 6G Workshop in Tokyo

01 April 2025, Tokyo, Japan

Short description: The INPACE project held a 6G workshop in Tokyo on April 1, 2025, as part of the broader EU-Japan Digital Week. The workshop, entitled "6G Horizons: Synergies for a Connected Future," aimed to strengthen EU-Japan collaboration on 6G development by bringing together experts from both regions to discuss synergies, challenges, and collaborative opportunities. It took place at the University of Tokyo's Sanjō Conference Hall.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner, Colin Wilcock, Chairman of the Board, 6G-IA, was invited to give a presentation on the status, vision and work of the SNS JU to international stakeholders from Japan and South Korea.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: Co-organised by 3GPP and SNS, European INPACE CSA and ASPIRE, Japan (funded by the Ministry of Education), hosted by the University of Tokyo and with representatives from the EU 6G research and innovation communities, there were 80 international stakeholders in attendance. The main question and ambition the workshop addressed was whether stakeholders are correctly perceiving and assessing, and subsequently addressing and responding to the major trends, social and business needs from a broad set of industries in the 6G research and development, considering the rapidly unfolding disruptive trends such as generative AI.

Info about promotion of event: Information on the event including programme and presentations can be found at <https://egcp.enrich-global.eu/communities/inpace/events/6g-horizons-synergies-for-a-connected-future-workshop>. The EU-Japan Digital Week was also publicised in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-march-2025-newsflash/>.

3.4 Test and Measurement Forum

29 April 2025

Short description: Test and Measurement Forum – A new era of testing for next-gen networks: AI, 5G Advanced, Open RAN & NTN was held on 29 April 2025. Organised by RCR Wireless News, the Test and Measurement Forum was organised to discuss the challenges and pressures of fast network validation and deployment, and the latest innovation in testing next- gen networks – from lab and manufacturing testing, to field testing and service assurance.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner, Alexandros Kaloxylos, Executive Director, 6G Smart Networks and Services Industry Association (6G-IA), was invited to give a presentation on the SNS JU vision for 6G and then participated in a panel to discuss the way forward for Europe.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: There were 466 registered attendees for the event. Through a variety panel discussions, interviews and presentations, the following topics were addressed: Synchronization and timing in open, disaggregated networks; Network optimization through AI and ML; Next steps for the RIC; Transitioning to 5G SA and applying network slicing; Leveraging digital twins to optimize network performance; Managing the “new normal” RF environment; Passive versus active service assurance; 5G device testing; Troubleshooting PIM and interference hunting; NTN integration with traditional terrestrial networks; Private networks and guaranteeing SLAs; and 6G developments.

Info about promotion of event: The event was promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-march-2025-newsflash/>. All of the session recordings are available to watch at <https://www.testandmeasurementforum.com/>.

3.5 5G Forum

15 May 2025, Seville, Spain

Short description: The 5G Forum is a multidisciplinary meeting on 5G technology held in Seville, Spain. The 5G Forum annually puts the advances of 5G technology on the stage, constituting an opportunity to exchange knowledge of the practical applications of this technology. The 5G Forum, as opposed to other events with a vertical theme, has a more panoramic vision and is conceived as the first national event around the different applications of the 5G. In three face-to-face days and two in online format, the conference addressed the following topics, dedicating space in the agenda to each one of them: 5G Deployment, Internet of Things, Smart Cities, Connected Cars, Health And Telemedicine, Emergency Services, Cybersecurity, Artificial Intelligence, Big Data, Smart Tourism, And University Projects.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner, Carles Antón-Haro, Director of R&D from CTTC, was invited to give a presentation on Strategies and Recommendations for Global Consensus and R&D Cooperation towards 6G.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The presentation outlined the main elements of 6G-IA/SNS JU's strategy towards achieving global consensus and stimulating R&D cooperation around 6G, also highlighting synergies with other EU programs such as IPCEI-CIS, DEP, or CEF. The presentation concluded with recommendations for policymakers, industry, and research communities, emphasizing investment in open technologies, strengthening European competitiveness, and fostering global cooperation to shape a unified 6G ecosystem. The 5G Forum has established itself as a major reference event for 5G/6G in Spain. The 2025 edition reported 906 participants from 332 companies. The Forum offers broad accessibility: most presentations and panels from current and past editions are recorded and made available on the 5G FORUM's own digital platform, The Observatory, where attendees and other stakeholders can view them on-demand. 7

Info about promotion of event: Among the recorded sessions is the presentation by Carles Antón-Haro, which also appears in the official event agenda. The 5G Forum in Seville is widely promoted through its own communication channels and a broad media ecosystem. Well before the event, media⁸ partners and the community management team begin amplifying its content, creating strong visibility across online media, television, radio and the press, with coverage from outlets such as Canal Sur, Europa Press, Agencia EFE, ABC, Diario de Sevilla, La Razón, La Vanguardia and Cadena SER. At European level, the SNS JU May 2025 Newsflash (<https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-may-2025-newsflash/>) also highlighted the 5G Forum in its "5G and 6G Events catch-up" section, reinforcing the visibility of the event and of the 6G-focused presentations included in the programme.



Figure 14 - 5G Forum

7 <https://thenewtechobservatory.com>

8 <https://www.5gforum.es/web/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/AGENDA-5GF25-12-16-MAYO-2025-SEVILLA.pdf>

3.6 6G-IA - XGMF workshop

26 - 28 May 2025, Tokyo, Japan

Short description: 6G-IA - XGMF workshop was a joint workshop held by the [6G-IA](#) (European Association for the 6G Systems) and the [XGMF](#) (XG Mobile Promotion Forum) from Japan to discuss and deepen collaboration between Europe and Japan on [6G research and development](#).

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner 6G-IA participated, with Alexandros Kaloxyllos, Executive Director, 6G-IA and Colin Willcock (6G-IA Board Chairman), who made a presentation of 6G-IA and SNS JU activities regarding 6G R&I and signing of new MoU with XGMF.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: These collaborations were solidified by a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between the two organizations, and recent events include a May 27, 2025 workshop with over 100 attendees alongside the MoU signing. The MoU outlines a framework for collaboration between the two organizations, including:

- Identification of topics of mutual interest for possible collaboration.
- Cross-invitation of representatives of either organization to selected meetings and events.
- Notification of the respective other organization of newly released public information and material.
- Joint marketing and promotional activities as agreed and appropriate.
- The exchange of information and publications as agreed and appropriate.
- Periodic status updates on topics of mutual interest.
- The MoU was signed by Professor Akihiro Nakao (Co-Chair, XGMF) and Colin Willcock (Chairman of the Board, 6G-IA).



Figure 15 - Prof. Nakao (left) and Colin Willcock (right)

Info about promotion of event: The MoU signing and workshop event was promoted in the SNS [May 2025 newsflash](#) and additional information on the event is available here: <https://xgmf.jp/en/2025/07/04/1539/#:~:text=In%20conjunction%20with%20the%20MoU%20signing%20a,was%20also%20held.%20Outline%20of%20the%20event.>

3.7 Special session II at EuCNC 2025

04 June 2025, Poznan, Poland

Short description: A special session was organized during EuCNC 2025 entitled Towards a European Health Data Slice (EHDSL) – Resilience, Security, Interoperability and Use Cases. This Special Session addressed the need for a unified, safe, secure and resilient European critical infrastructure for data

distribution and integration in line with relevant European regulations, standards and frameworks. It focused on the current state of play and relevant requirements for the upcoming three years.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partners Carles Antón-Haro (Centre Tecnologic de Telecommunications de Catalunya (CTTC), Spain) was invited to give a keynote talk to the session and Rui Aguiar, University of Aveiro, PT, gave a talk on Network Design: Engineering the EHDSL. In addition, Pooja Mohnani, Eurescom, Germany gave a talk on European Health Data Slice and the evolving European Health Data Space and the use case of the PAROMA-MED Project.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: Carles Antón-Haro's invited talk highlighted healthcare as a key 6G vertical, requiring ultra-reliable low-latency links, XR, AI-driven diagnostics and secure data handling for applications such as remote surgery, smart hospitals and continuous monitoring. He presented the broad set of Smart Health use cases in SNS JU projects—247 use cases across 52 projects—covering rehabilitation, emergency response, prosthetics, smart ambulances and more. The talk also introduced tools like the Vertical Engagement Tracker and described the role of the 6G Trials Working Group in guiding future 6G trials and preparing the 2025 SNS Trials & Pilots call.

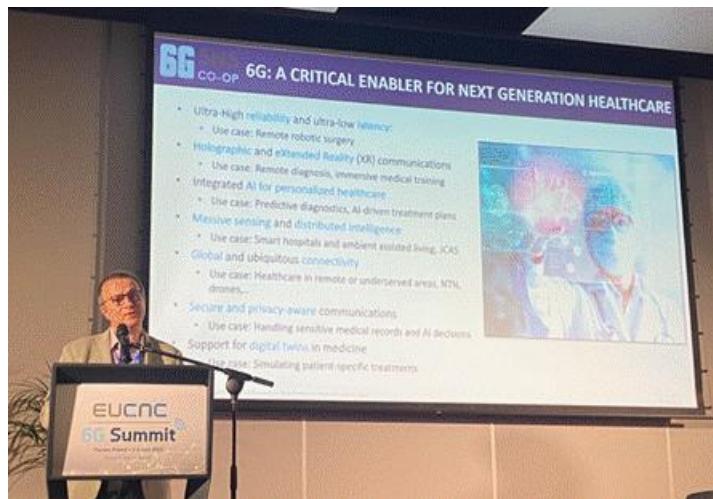


Figure 16 - Carles Antón-Haro during keynote

Info about promotion of event: The event is highlighted here:

<https://www.eucnc.eu/2025/www.eucnc.eu/programme/special-sessions/special-session-3/index.html>.

This session was also promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-october-2025-newsletter/>.

3.8 Poster session II (P-2.26 and P-2.27) at EuCNC 2025

05 June 2025, Poznan, Poland

Short description: SNS CO-OP partners contributed towards two accepted posters / papers accepted in Poster session II⁹ held during EuCNC 2025. The two sessions were entitled **P-2.26 Overview of Recent 6G Standardization Activities and Analysis of SNS Contributions** and **P-2.27 Strategies and Recommendations for Global Consensus and EU R&D Cooperation in 6G**.

P-2.26 provides a comprehensive update on global standardization activities and the involvement of Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking (SNS JU) projects in shaping the future of 6G technologies. It explores key advancements in standardization efforts across major bodies, including 3GPP, ETSI, and ITU, highlighting their respective contributions to the evolution of 5G Advanced and the foundations of 6G. The report underscores the strategic importance of these collaborations, particularly in enabling interoperability, enhancing Europe's leadership in the global telecommunications landscape, and fostering innovation in areas like AI, spectrum optimization, and

⁹ <https://www.eucnc.eu/2025/www.eucnc.eu/programme/poster-session-ii/index.html>

infrastructure. Furthermore, it delves into the role of pre-standardization activities led by the 6G Industry Association (6G-IA), emphasizing their alignment with regulatory and industry priorities to support a unified global 6G standard. Contributions from SNS-JU projects are analyzed, showcasing their impact on standardization processes, open-source solutions, and emerging technologies like Terahertz communication and integrated sensing and communication. Finally, the paper presents tailored recommendations for stakeholders, focusing on strategic collaborations, policy alignment, and the acceleration of contributions to global standardization efforts.

P-2.27 highlights how the Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking (SNS-JU) is driving Europe's 6G research through phased R&I projects from 2023 to 2030, focusing on new network technologies, experimentation facilities, and global collaboration. The SNS-ICE Coordination and Support Action (CSA) project and now followed up by SNS CO-OP, serves as its international ambassador, fostering partnerships, publishing position papers, and aligning European priorities with global 6G developments. This paper outlines the main elements of SNS-ICE's (and followed by SNS CO-OP's) strategy towards achieving global consensus and stimulating R&D cooperation around 6G, also highlighting synergies with other EU programs such as IPCEI-CIS, DEP, or CEF. The paper concludes with recommendations for policymakers, industry, and research communities, emphasizing investment in open technologies, strengthening European competitiveness, and fostering global cooperation to shape a unified 6G ecosystem.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partners Carles Antón-Haro (Centre Tecnologic de Telecomunicacions de Catalunya (CTTC), Spain); Claudio De Majo (Trust-IT Services, Italy); Konstantinos Trichias (6G Industry Association (6G-IA); Jos Beriere (TNO, The Netherlands) contributed to P-2.26 Overview of Recent 6G Standardization Activities and Analysis of SNS Contributions. Carles Antón-Haro; Konstantinos Trichias, Alexandros Kaloxylos, Bernard Barani and Werner Mohr (6G Industry Association, Belgium (6G-IA), European Union and Claudio De Majo (Trust-IT Services, Italy) contributed to P-2.27 Strategies and Recommendations for Global Consensus and EU R&D Cooperation in 6G.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: Poster Session II — held on Thursday 5 June 2025, a central day of EuCNC — gathered a wide mix of participants and proved to be very well attended. Posters from SNS CO-OP partners attracted interest from a diverse audience: researchers from academia, policymakers, SDOs (notably ETSI), as well as SME and industry representatives — demonstrating successful dissemination across stakeholder groups. Attendance at EuCNC 2025 remained robust: in recent years the conference has drawn over 1,000 delegates from more than 40 countries. Overall, the session contributed significantly to bridging research, policy and industrial innovation in the 5G/6G ecosystem.

Info about promotion of event: The event is highlighted here:

<https://www.eucnc.eu/2025/www.eucnc.eu/programme/poster-session-ii/index.html>.

3.9 SEADE R&I Summit 2025

18 June 2025, Barakaldo, Spain

Short description: SEADE (Strengthening the Europe-Africa Digital Ecosystem Through Increased Research & Innovation (R&I) Cooperation) Project's annual event was held in Barakaldo, Spain on June 18th, 2025, to discuss R&I cooperation in digital ecosystems, presenting its activities and replicability initiatives. The annual event aimed to facilitate cooperation between African and European innovation stakeholders, and SCoDIHNet was specifically invited to present on its work and contribute to the discussions.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partners 6G-IA, led by Pierre-Yves Danet, who gave an invited talk on a round table on "R&I Cooperation in Digital ecosystems" presenting the SCoDIHNet activities.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The presentation in the round table focused on how SCoDIHNet connects different Digital Innovation Hubs (DIHs) and how the network's activities, such as the Replicability Catalogue and the development of white papers, support the growth of digital ecosystems. The presentation highlighted the catalogue, which includes replicable use cases from the SNS JU projects, to demonstrate how solutions can be scaled and reused across Europe. The roundtable

provided a platform for open discussions on the current state of digital ecosystems and future directions for cooperation. The event's overall objective was achieved: to facilitate cooperation between innovation stakeholders, which aligns with SCoDIHNet's mission to connect DIHs and support collaborative work within the digital community.

Info about promotion of event: The event is highlighted here: <https://www.seade-project.eu/news/2ndseadesummit> and there: <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-may-2025-newsflash/>.

3.10 ITU-R WP5D meeting

24 June – 03 July 2025, Kobe, Japan

Short description: This was the 9th meeting of ITU-R Working Party 5D held in Kobe, Japan 24 June - 3 July 2025. ITU-R Working Party 5D asked in October 2024 external organizations including 6G-IA in a liaison statement to contribute to the technical report on minimum requirements on the IMT-2030 performance. 6G-IA asked the Spectrum Working Group to prepare respective contributions.

Participant(s) role during event: The SNS CO-OP partner 6G-IA coordinated in the Spectrum Working Group, contributions to ITU-R Working Party 5D as response to a Liaison Statement to External Organizations on minimum requirements related to technical performance for IMT-2030 radio interface(S) from 6G-IA members. The contribution to the meeting in Kobe with document number 742 was co-signed by 6G-IA members Ericsson, Nokia, Orange, Telefonica and TIM. From formal reasons, 6G-IA was mentioned in a footnote to the source list, because 6G-IA is not an ITU member. This was a follow-up contribution to an initial contribution by 6G-IA to the WP5D meeting No. 48 in February 2025 in Geneva, Switzerland to boost European standardization. The contribution summarized the 6G-IA view on minimum requirements.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: Minimum performance requirements are still an ongoing discussion with rather different views from ITU member countries and sector members. The 6G-IA is included in the Chair's Report as result of the Kobe meeting in Chapter 5 - Annex 5.14 - Working document towards a preliminary draft new Report ITU-R M. [IMT-2030.TECH PERF REQ] - Minimum requirements related to technical performance for IMT-2030 radio interface(s) on pp. 27. Therefore, this contribution is part of the ongoing discussion, which provides global impact.

Info about promotion of event: The event is highlighted here: <https://www.itu.int/md/R23-WP5D-INF-0006/en>. ITU-R WP5D meetings are not public and for members only. Therefore, no further promotion of the event is available.

3.11 Berlin 6G Conference

30 June – 03 July 2025, Berlin, Germany

Short description: The Berlin 6G Conference 2025 is the annual networking event of the German 6G programme, organized by the 6G Platform Germany. The conference aims to provide guidance in this context by bringing together international experts from various fields.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner 6G-IA participated, Colin Willcock (6G-IA Board Chairman), who made a presentation of 6G-IA and SNS JU activities in the Plenary Keynote Session. In the International session, SNS CO-OP partner and NetworldEurope Steering Board Chair, Rui Aguiar, gave a presentation on Aligning Europe efforts: the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The presentations addressed topics including: What can citizens expect from 6G? How will our world change through 6G? How can 6G help us achieve our sustainability goals? What contribution can 6G make to the protection of our critical infrastructures? What is the current status of standardization? What has already been decided, and what can we expect? What contributions can Germany and Europe make to the success of 6G?

Info about promotion of event: Information on the event can be found here: <https://www.6g-plattform.de/berlin-6g-conference/#home>. The event was also publicised in newsflashes and newsletters

at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-july-2025-newsflash/> and <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-july-2025-newsflash/>.

3.12 2nd International Workshop on System Architectures of Future Core Networks

08 July 2025, Munich, Germany

Short description: A workshop on the evolution of the Future Core was held in NTT DoCoMo Com Laboratories in Munich on the 8th of July.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP participants Rui Aguiar from Instituto de Telecomunicações, SB Chair of NetworldEurope, participated as overall chair of the event and as speaker. Anastasius Gavras of Eurescom chaired the Session 1: “Voice services in future – need support of the core?”.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The event opened with a keynote on potential aspirations for 6G, namely the trends of AI overloaded in environments of cloudification, IoT, and slicing. It seems clear that we will move towards 6G core in an evolutionary way, towards a more cloud-native network. This was followed by 4 sessions: Session 1: “Voice services in future – need support of the core?” . Session 2: “Completing the cloud-native transformation of the core: Strategic pathways, planning, and problems”. Session 3: “Defining requirements and priorities for the future core evolution”. Session 4: Way forward / Discussion on the next step, continuation of the workshop series.

Info about promotion of event: A summary report of the event can be found here: <https://www.networldeurope.eu/2nd-international-workshop-on-system-architectures-of-future-core-networks-8-july-2025-munich-germany/>.

3.13 FNS Open event - at Delft University of Technology

07 October 2025, Utrecht, Netherlands

Short description: Future Network Services (FNS) organized this event to showcase the Dutch national 6G program and their commitment to establishing the Netherlands as a global leader in 6G technology.

Participant(s) role during event: Keynote presentation in the plenary opening was made by Colin Willcock, 6G-IA Chairman of the Board. This presentation covered the current status of the European-level 6G research activities focusing on the Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking (SNS-JU). It included the first important results as well as a look towards the future of connectivity research in Europe. The presentation also focused on the collaboration with the Dutch national 6G program and explaining that there are good opportunities to deepen this relationship going forward.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The FNS consortium comprises 60 companies, knowledge institutes, and governments, focusing on developing the latest generation of mobile networks: 6G. Delft University of Technology and BTG hosted the event. The morning program was for FNS Partners only and provided key updates on the FNS program, covering the latest progress, sharing of plans, and outlining the next steps as they move into the second phase. During the afternoon, the event attracted 300 - 400 people on site. Most participants were from the Dutch research community (both academic and industrial) although also contained a number of other EU countries had representatives. The attendees had the opportunity to discuss the future of connectivity with peers and experts outside of the consortium, whether during the networking lunch or in one of our breakout sessions. Additionally, the attendees shared 6G use cases developed during Phase 1 of the FNS program and highlighted the opportunities for participation in Phase 2, starting mid-2026.

Info about promotion of event: The landing page for the event can be found here: <https://www.aanmelder.nl/fns2025/home#:~:text=The%20conference%20is%20being%20hosted%20by%20Delft,Keynote%20by%20Tjark%20Tjin%2DA%2DTsoi%2C%20CEO%20at%20TNO.>

3.14 10th Bharat 6G event - India Mobile Congress

08 – 10 October 2025, New Delhi, India

Short description: India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2025 positions innovation as the engine of India's progress—driving transformation across telecom, industry, infrastructure, society, and sustainability while guiding the nation's journey towards Viksit Bharat by 2047. As a global platform, it brings together leaders, startups, investors, and partners to foster collaboration, showcase India's strengths in telecom, electronics, and digital inclusion, and prepare the country to lead in 5G, 6G, AI, satcom, quantum, electronics manufacturing, and cybersecurity - building an inclusive, self-reliant, and globally prominent Bharat.

Participant(s) role during event: Keynote presentation in the plenary opening was made by Colin Willcock, 6G-IA Chairman of the Board. Colin was invited to deliver a keynote speech on 6G developments in Europe and growing relationship with India. Colin participated to a panel discussing future international collaboration on 6G research. The main additional activity was offline discussions on how to better collaborate across the various regions and countries. This led to the leading international research alliances announcing a unified commitment to shaping the future of 6G as a shared global endeavour. Further details available here: https://6g-ia.eu/single_post/?slug=leading-research-alliances-endorse-shared-principles-for-6g-secure-open-resilient-inclusive-and-sustainable-by-design

Major (lasting) impacts of event: This 6G event was organised by the Indian national 6G research program within the Indian Mobile Congress. The event attracted between 250 - 300 people in person and was also streamed live. The audience was predominantly Indian with a mix of government, industrial and academic. There was however a significant participation from global organisations with the UK particularly strongly represented. India Mobile Congress recognizes that the exchange of insights and knowledge is the driving force behind digital transformation across industries. By uniting global leaders, industry pioneers, innovators, and policymakers under one roof, IMC creates a unique platform for meaningful conversations that inspire transformative ideas and set the course for the future of the Telecom, Media, and Technology (TMT) ecosystem. The event also enabled the preparation for a first global position statement on 6G, leading Research Alliances Endorse Shared Principles for 6G: Secure, Open, Resilient, Inclusive, and Sustainable by Design:

Info about promotion of event: The landing page for the event can be found here: <https://www.indiamobilecongress.com/>. The event was also promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-october-2025-newsletter/>.

3.15 CEATEC 2025

15 – 16 October 2025, Tokyo, Japan

Short description: Combined Exhibition of Advanced Technologies (commonly known as CEATEC) is the largest annual IT and electronics trade show in Japan. It is held in October at the Makuhari Messe convention centre just outside of central Tokyo. Virtually every major Japanese electronics maker has a presence at the show, which serves as a platform to introduce cutting-edge achievements in information and electronic technologies. On the 16th of October, the Japanese 6G association XGMF organised a one-day conference covering many aspects of international 6G research and future collaboration. It was entitled 5G Advancements, 6G Latest Developments and Outlook. Session 4 Beyond 5G(6G) global trend provided an overview of the latest global trends, focusing on developments in Europe, North America, and Asia. The session introduced national strategies and key projects from various countries and delved into discussions on the importance of international collaboration and prospects.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP participant Colin Willcock 6G-IA Chairman of the Board presented a keynote on SNS-JU status and results and took part in a panel to discuss how to collaborate in better in the future between Japan and EU.

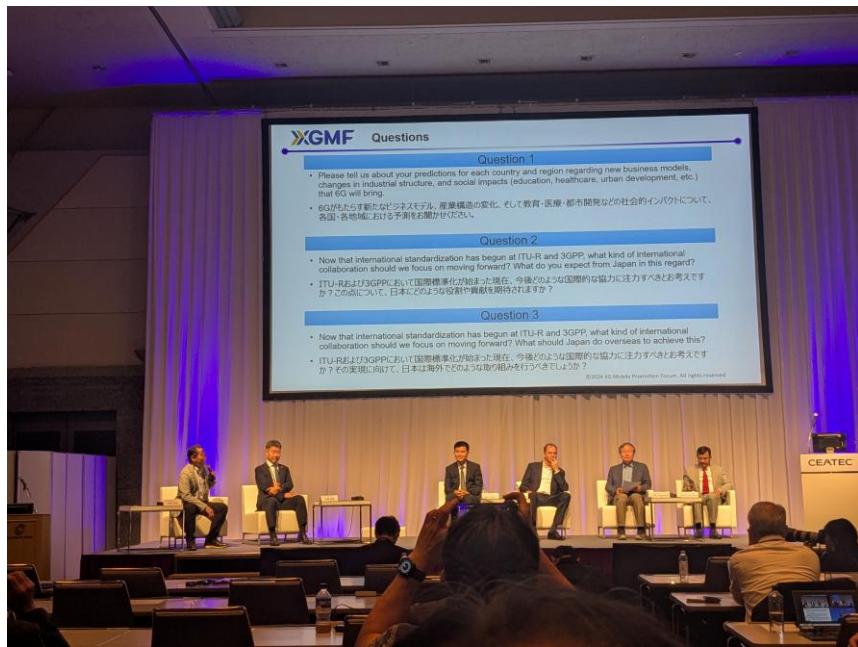


Figure 17 - Colin Willcock 6G-IA Chairman of the Board in a panel to discuss how to collaborate in better in the future between Japan and EU.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The event attracted around 400 on-site participants that were mainly drawn from Japanese industry and academia. This was an excellent opportunity to focus on concrete next steps for the EU-Japanese 6G collaboration which will be based on an explicit online workshop on 6G architecture and a physical collaboration event planned around EuCNC next year.

Info about promotion of event: The main landing page is <https://www.ceatec.com/en/>. The landing page for the specific session on 6G global trends within CEATEC 2025 can be found here: <https://www.ceatec.com/en/conference/detail.html?id=3023>.

3.16 NEM Summit

21 – 22 October 2025, Berlin, Germany

Short description: The 16th edition of the NEM Summit, the NEM Summit 2025, “Connected Realities: Co-Creating Europe’s Ethical, Inclusive, and Sustainable Future Media”, was held in Berlin on 21-22 October 2025 and included, among others, the following topics of discussion: Virtual worlds for vertical industries, 3D / XR in Cultural Heritage, Ethical and business aspects of virtual worlds, Networked media session, Generative AI in Media: Enabling new perspectives, Media tools, services, standards, and methodologies for an Inclusive XR Media Europe, and much more. The NEM Summit 2025 was supported by Fraunhofer FOKUS, kindly offering the venue for the event.

Participant(s) role during event: Pierre-Yves Danet, 6G-IA, chaired and gave a presentation in the session entitled Networked media. This session had the objective to present what SNS JU projects have developed in term of use cases and technologies. The session also included open discussions about potential cooperations between the Media & Entertainment (M&E) sector stakeholders and the Smart Connectivity technology providers. This session also was an occasion to make a presentation of a white paper developed in the SNS JU entitled “6G for Media & Entertainment”, which was published on 02/12/2025¹⁰. At the end, the idea was to collect research topics that could feed the next SNS JU WP2027. SNS CO-OP partner SETU, led by Jim Clarke, is also a member of the NEM Steering Board and he attended the event virtually and was re-elected to the NEM Steering Board for another term, which gives another good connection point between SNS CO-OP and NEM.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: With over 200 registered attendees, the SNS JU and NEM have signed

¹⁰ Available at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-publications/>

a MoU a few years ago; one of the objectives is to facilitate exchanges between the two communities. For NEM members, they could capture innovations coming from the network projects, and for SNS members, they could identify requirements that could feed the SNS roadmap. The objective of the session is to give the opportunities to NEM Cluster 4 projects and SNS JU projects to make presentations of their results and to organise a discussion between projects. SNS JU vertical tracker shows that at least 20 projects have developed Media/entertainment use cases.

In order to further build upon this relationship, a Memorandum of Understanding between the NEM Initiative and 6G Industry Association (6G-IA) was signed at the NEM Summit 2025. This renewed collaboration strengthens the bridge between NEM Initiative - New European Media and the 6G Smart Networks and Services Industry Association ecosystems!



*Figure 18 - Signature of the MoU between NEM and 6G-IA:
Pierre-Yves Danet representing Colin Willcock (6G-IA) & NEM Co-chairs: Mike Matton (VRT), Silvia Boi (Sistemi Nalder), and Simon Delaere (imec-SMIT).*

Info about promotion of event: The landing page for the event can be found here: <https://nem-initiative.org/nem-summit-2025/>.

3.17 Mobile Korea 2025

27 – 31 October 2025, Seoul, South Korea

Short description: Mobile Korea 2025 is a major international showcase for next-generation mobile technologies. Organised by 6G Forum, the event convenes academia, research institutes, and industry to discuss the key enablers of 6G. Resilience and reliability are central themes for future connectivity. Mobile Korea 2025 (also known as 6G Global 2025, is an international conference and showcase for next-generation mobile technology, focusing on 6G and AI-driven networks. Key themes for the event are 6G, AI-agentic networks, resilience, and reliability.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partner Colin Willcock (6G-IA Board Chairman) was invited to give a keynote presentation on European 6G Research Status and Results and was involved in the Memorandum of Understanding signing between the 6G Industry Association (6G-IA) and 6G Forum.



Figure 19 - Colin Willcock at Mobile Korea 2025

Major (lasting) impacts of event: A Memorandum of Understanding between the 6G Industry Association (6G-IA) and 6G Forum has been signed at the Mobile Korea 2025.



Figure 20 - Signature of the MoU between 6G Forum and 6G-IA: KyunHi Chang, Executive Committee Chair, 6G Forum and Colin Willcock, Chairman 6G-IA.

Info about promotion of event: The landing page for the event can be found here: <https://www.mobilekorea.org/main.php>. The event was also promoted in newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-november-2025-newsflash/>.

3.18 The Path to 6G Webinar

29 October 2025, Virtual

Short description: This webinar was an expert discussion panel hosted by Mobile Europe on how 6G will enable telcos to put AI into all their customers' hands and how pervasive AI changes the definition of network resilience.

Participant(s) role during event: Colin Willcock, Chairman of 6G-IA participated to the panel.



Figure 21 - The Path to 6G webinar

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The panellists discussed the importance of learning from the experience with 5G and the general failure to monetise it, although 5G Standalone roll out was delayed by multiple factors, including the pandemic.

Some of the points included:

- Why European operators have been slow to engage regarding 6G while South Korea and China are racing ahead.
- Examining the data that the increasing deployment of all kinds of AI will generate, and what it means for networks, particularly core networks.
- The importance of global standards, including risks of fragmentation in part due to the uncertainties of geopolitics.
- Adoption of Network Data Analytics Function (NWDAF), including how Telefónica Germany is using this technology now, and whether or not it is useful depends on the maturity of an operator's data ecosystem.
- Resilience of 6G in a world where telecoms infrastructure is under threat like never before, both in terms of the size and scope of cyberattacks, with criminals weaponising AI against them, and physical sabotage, for example of multiple subsea cables, and more.

Info about promotion of event: The landing page of the event can be found here: <https://www.mobileeurope.co.uk/events/webinar-on-demand-path-to-6g/>. A video recording of the event is made available upon registration.

3.19 2nd Workshop with IMT-2030(6G) PG

01 December 2025, Virtual

Short description: This workshop aimed at gathering the recent advances in 6G standardization and research and provides a platform for scientific researchers, industry professionals, and academia to exchange the latest research ideas on future technology standardization. As the wireless industry and communication horizon continue to evolve, ongoing research on 6G is poised to be the next big thing. In November 2023, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) released its vision document, IMT-2030, which has sparked a surge in research activities to define the requirements and evaluation criteria for potential radio interface technologies for IMT-2030. Additionally, in December 2023, the Global organization for telecommunications standard development, 3GPP, announced its plans to develop the next generation of global communications specifications. With these exciting developments in mind, this workshop aimed to gather experts and enthusiasts to explore the latest trends and vision in 6G. The event was co-organized by the SNS CO-OP project with 6G-IA participating to it with a direct mission to enhance international engagement. The event focused on exchanging information and views between Chinese and European researchers on the prioritisation of 6G Use Cases and the role of AI for 6G networks.

Participant(s) role during event: From the European side, Patrik Rugeland (6G-IA Vision WG chair) and Diego Lopez (Telefonica - ETSI TC Data chair) presented the European views and work directions while a welcome and closing message was provided by Raffaele De Peppe (6G-IA GB vice-chair) and Alex Kaloxyllos (6G-IA Executive Director). From the Chinese side, Xu XIA (IMT-2030(6G) PG - China Telekom) and Xiaofeng LIU (CAICT) presented the Chinese views and work.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The 2nd WS with IMT-2030(6G) PG aimed at strengthening international collaboration at a stage where such efforts have diminished due to the global socio-political circumstances and to promote the work that takes place within the SNS JU in critical technological sectors. The webinar was well attended (more than 45 people) and all participants agreed that it was a very fruitful and interesting conversation. Some key highlights included:

- Common belief on the importance of global standards.
- Prioritisation of similar use cases between EU and China.
- Common belief that AI is a key topic for 6G networks.
- Common belief that sustainability is important but hard to quantify beyond Energy efficiency metrics (especially for societal and economical sustainability).
- Common belief on the importance of the availability of structured, open and FAIR Data for AI models.

It was further agreed that some topics would be interesting for a follow-up event: AI in more detail, Sustainability, and Joint Communication and Sensing (JSAC).

Info about promotion of event: This was a closed event and therefore, had no public facing web page.

3.20 From Research to Impact: Exploring the Top-10 Key Achievements of SNS JU projects

03 December 2025, Virtual

Short description: The SNS JU hosted a dedicated webinar showcasing the 2025 Top-10 Key Achievements, a curated selection of the most significant, innovative, and influential results emerging from SNS JU projects funded under Call 1 and Call 2.

Participant(s) role during event: SNS CO-OP partners were participating with presentations during the event. Kostas Trichias (6G-IA – SNS Technology Board (TB) Chairman) gave a presentation on the Development and Selection Process of the Top-10 Key Achievements and Audrey Bienvenu, Project Communication Manager at Eurescom GmbH, presented a Walkthrough of the [Key Achievements Repository](#): How to navigate the tool and access the full list of 188 submitted achievements. In addition, SNS CO-OP supported the organisation elements of the event, including event webpage, registration form, recording, and others.

Major (lasting) impacts of event: The Webinar featured the presentation of the new SNS [Key Achievements Repository](#), an online tool designed to increase visibility, transparency, and accessibility of project outcomes. Attendees learned about the methodology behind the evaluation and selection process, offering a deeper understanding of how the Top-10 Achievements were identified among a wide range of competitive, high-quality results. The event also spotlighted the researchers and innovators behind this year's selected achievements. Each featured project briefly presented the achievement that earned its place in the Top-10, highlighting its potential to shape the future of Europe's digital landscape. In a session moderated by Pavlos Fournogerakis, SNS JU Deputy Head of Programmes, project representatives presented Key Achievements awarded for 6G-REFERENCE, 6G-SANDBOX, 6G-SHINE, 6G-XR, HEXA-X-II, IMAGINE-B5G, SEASON, SUNRISE-6G, SUPERIOT, and TrialsNet.

Info about promotion of event: The landing page for the event can be found here: <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/event/from-research-to-impact-exploring-the-top-10-key-achievements-of-sns-ju-projects/>. The webinar was also promoted through newsflashes and newsletters at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-october-2025-newsletter/> and <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-november-2025-newsflash/> where it featured as a headline. It was additionally highlighted on LinkedIn at https://www.linkedin.com/posts/superiot_sns-ju-unveils-its-2025-top-10-key-achievements-activity-7399452857785085952-Hd0E/ and on the SNS web site at <https://smart-networks.europa.eu/sns-ju-unveils-its-2025-top-10-key-achievements-leading-europes-6g-innovation/>.

4 Synergy mapping

In this section, we highlight how the SNS CO-OP project has supported events involved in important activities related to synergy mapping and events where SNS CO-OP has taken the centre stage in the first year of the project.

SNS CO-OP has organized and supported events, facilitated cross-project collaboration, and taken a central role in mapping synergies across the 6G ecosystem. While synergy mapping remains a core pillar of the SNS CO-OP project, mainly carried out in WP1, Strategic Perspectives and WP2, Stakeholder Engagement, the events supported in WP6 are enabling the identification, coordination, and amplification of strategic interactions with the participants across the SNS JU ecosystem and beyond. Through targeted engagement in key International and European events, the project has strengthened collaboration pathways, increased visibility for SNS Joint Undertaking priorities, and ensured that insights from research, verticals, standardisation, and policy communities are actively connected.

This section outlines how SNS CO-OP has curated and positioned the project at the centre of synergy-driven collaboration. The figure below highlights the diverse dimensions that the project has contributed towards and maps to the respective events supported by the project.

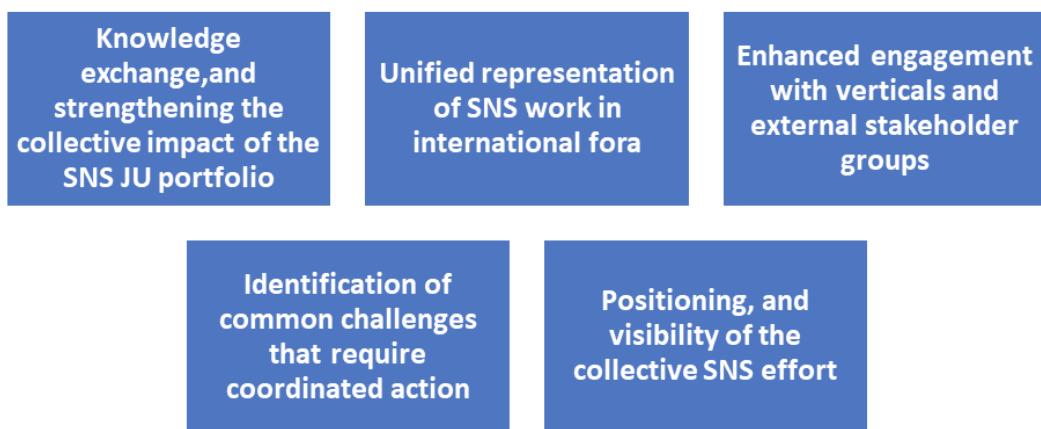


Figure 22 - Dimensions of contribution of SNS CO-OP for synergy mapping

4.1 Knowledge exchange, and strengthening the collective impact of the SNS JU portfolio

SNS CO-OP has played a pivotal role in strengthening the cohesion and influence of the SNS JU portfolio by fostering continuous knowledge exchange across projects, Working Groups, and stakeholder communities. Throughout the first period, a series of targeted events and coordination activities ensured that the SNS ecosystem remained connected, informed, and aligned. These included **onboarding events** such as the SNS webinars introducing Call 3 projects and the SNS CO-OP questionnaire webinar, which supported smooth integration of new projects, and early alignment across the programme. This collaborative approach has substantially enhanced the positioning and visibility of the collective SNS effort.

4.2 Unified representation of SNS JU work in international fora

SNS CO-OP has helped projects converge around shared objectives, methodologies, and strategic directions, reducing fragmentation and enabling a coordinated action. This was further reinforced by participation in **global-scale/international events** including MWC, Berlin 6G Conference, ITU-R WP5D meetings, 3GPP standards and SNS JU impact webinar, Mobile Korea 2025, the Bharat 6G events, 2nd Workshop with IMT-2030(6G) PG, and CEATEC 2025, which collectively elevated Europe's voice in the global 5G/6G landscape.

4.3 Engagement with vertical industries and external stakeholder groups

These events supported by SNS CO-OP help to align technological innovation with real-world needs and deployment contexts. SNS CO-OP strengthened the community through joint event presence and cross-project collaboration. Annual community-building and governance activities were also reinforced through events such as **Techritory**, **NEM Summit 2025**, **NetworldEurope events**, and the **SEADE R&I Summit**, which supported widespread information gathering and visibility of activities. There was significant progress in strategic partnerships as part of the WP2 activities, marked by the signing of **Memorandums of Understanding**, including the MoU between **6G-IA** and **NEM** at the NEM Summit and the MoU between **6G-IA** and the **6G Forum** at Mobile Korea 2025.

SNS CO-OP also played a key role in promoting **national initiatives**, with representation from the United Kingdom, The Netherlands, France, Italy, Finland and Sweden via the quarterly/monthly webinar series organised under WP2 and supported by WP6. Further, the actions were strengthened via a dedicated workshop on **National 6G Initiatives at EuCNC & 6G Summit 2025**. These efforts helped bridge country-level strategies with the broader SNS-JU priorities, strengthening coherence across European research efforts.

4.4 Identification of common challenges that require coordinated action

Events dominated with the involvement of key international players were supported by SNS CO-OP, particularly through events such as the **INPACE 6G Workshop**, **Techritory**, **ITU-R WP5D meetings**, **Mobile Korea 2025**, **2nd Workshop with IMT-2030(6G) PG**, and the **Bharat and CEATEC events**. Through these events, SNS CO-OP has contributed to fostering globally relevant solutions, standards, and interoperability that reflect the European 5G/6G perspective. These coordinated actions have supported the identification of common challenges—ranging from research gaps to standardisation needs—thereby promoting a more strategic, interconnected, and impactful European 6G ecosystem.

4.5 Positioning, and visibility of the collective SNS-JU effort

Technical conferences, workshops, and clustering activities, such as the **NetworldEurope/CCSA workshops**, **6G-IA–5G-ACIA joint webinar**, **EuCNC & 6G Summit 2025**, **Techritory**, the **ASMS Conference**, the **Test and Measurement Forum**, the **FNS Open Event**, the **IMT-2030(6G) PG workshop**, and the **NEM Summit 2025**, enabled projects to showcase results to larger technical and industrial audiences, strengthening Europe's presence in global 6G dialogues.

5 Conclusions

The deliverable documents detail on how SNS CO-OP has supported SNS JU related events in the period from the start of the project on 01 January 2025 until 31 December 2025.

The report focusses on 41 SNS JU related events supported by the SNS CO-OP partners during the first year of the project with 21 Full organisational support events and 20 Moderator / speaker support events.

The events in the first period were designed to achieve the following objectives for the SNS community:

- SNS Calls transition, onboarding, building, achievements, and lessons learned, e.g., SNS webinars to introduce Call 3 projects, SNS CO-OP questionnaire webinar, From Research to Impact: Exploring the Top-10 Key Achievements of SNS JU projects.
- Technical conferences and workshops, project clustering, and projects promotion to larger audiences, e.g. NetworldEurope / CCSA workshops, EuCNC & 6G Summits '25, 6G-IA – 5G-ACIA joint webinar, Techritory, Advanced Satellite Multimedia Systems (ASMS) Conference, Test and Measurement Forum, FNS Open Event, Workshop with IMT-2030(6G), NEM Summit.
- Global events of larger scale, e.g., EuCNC & 6G Summit '25, MWC 2025 related events, INPACE 6G Workshop, NetworldEurope / CCSA workshops, Techritory, Berlin 6G Conference, ASMS Conference, ITU-R WP5D meeting, Mobile Korea 2025, 2nd and 10th Barat 6G events, CEATEC 2025.
- National 6G initiatives promotion, e.g., United Kingdom, The Netherlands, France, Italy, Sweden and National 6G initiatives workshop at EuCNC & 6G Summits '25.
- Annual Assembly, information gathering and promotion of Work Group activities, e.g., Techritory, NEM Summit 2025, NetworldEurope events, SEADE R&I Summit.
- Events with Signing of Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs), e.g., NEM Summit (MoU between 6G-IA and NEM) and Mobile Korea 2025 (MoU between 6G-IA and 6G Forum).
- Target the involvement of key international players in the worldwide 5G/6G scene, in view of fostering global solutions, standards and interoperability based on the European 5G/6G Perspective, e.g., INPACE 6G Workshop, 3GPP standards and SNS JU impact webinar, Berlin 6G Conference, Techritory, ITU-R WP5D meeting, 2nd Workshop with IMT-2030(6G) PG, Mobile Korea 2025, 2nd and 10th Barat 6G events, Path to 6G webinar, and CEATEC 2025.

Each event was supplemented with active promotional, dissemination and communications activities across multiple channels including LinkedIn, newsflashes, newsletters, and news articles. These activities are detailed in SNS CO-OP Deliverable D4.3: Second SNS Dissemination and Communication Strategy and Plan Report.

The events have been partitioned based on the level of support offered, ranging from full engagement support and moderator / speaker. The role of the project is defined for each of the events supported and the lasting impacts of the events are elaborated, and where information can be found related to the events is highlighted for each.

Looking ahead to Year 2, SNS CO-OP will continue to expand its presence across vertical domains and major global platforms, ensuring that the voice and vision of the European 6G community are visible where strategic conversations take place. By actively engaging with sector-specific events and international fora, the project will strengthen and deepen understanding of how next-generation connectivity can support diverse industries.

Appendix A Events tracker report

Date	Dissemination item material type	Event name / material name	Papers / presentation title	Venue	Target audience	Estimated number of persons reached	Comment
2025-01-21	- Moderation - Workshop - Organized by SNS CO-OP - Speaker / moderator support	IAFA#9 How advanced communications can support sustainability goals	The IAFA event is an integral part of the efforts of SNS OPS to strengthen cooperation with other initiatives and leverage synergies.	Online	199 participants Online	199	Full engagement support event organized by NetworldEurope and AIoTI. Event report, presentations and video recordings available at https://www.networldeurope.eu/event/workshop-how-advanced-communications-can-support-sustainability-goals-21-january-2025/
2025-01-24	- Webinar	UK's 6G Achievements and Experimental Platforms	Presentations from the individual presenters are uploaded on the SNS events webpage	Online		75	
2025-02-13	- Moderation - Workshop - Organized by SNS CO-OP	Call 3 projects onboarding webinar	This webinar was a great facilitator for Call 3 projects to get included in the joint SNS activities.	Online	SNS project participants	50	Full engagement / organisational support. Presented slides were uploaded to BSCW (confidential to SNS)
2025-07-14	- Moderation - Workshop- Organized by SNS CO-OP	SNS Webinar – Introducing the Call 3 SNS projects (Part 1 of 2)	This was the first in a series of two webinars to introduce the call 3 SNS projects.	Online	SNS project participants	144	Full engagement / organisational support.
2025-02-17	- Moderation - Workshop - Organized by SNS CO-OP	SNS Webinar – Introducing the Call 3 SNS projects (Part 2 of 2)	This was a second in a series webinar introducing the call 3 SNS projects.	Online	SNS project participants	108	Full engagement / organisational support. We were introducing the recently launched Call 3 projects in two webinars, to

Date	Dissemination item material type	Event name / material name	Papers / presentation title	Venue	Target audience	Estimated number of persons reached	Comment
							give an overview of their activities and ambitions.
2025-02-26	- Conference contribution - Speaker / moderator support	ASMS Conference	Panel with key stakeholders (most of them being 6G-IA members) on how to position future iteration of NTN activities under the next stages of SNS implementation.	Sitges, Spain (close to Barcelona)	Scientific community and policy makers	100	Speaker / Moderator support.
2025-03-05	- Conference contribution - Moderation - Workshop - Organized by SNS CO-OP - Speaker / moderator support	NetworldEurope/CCSA Autonomous Networks WS @MWC 2025	The workshop aimed to provide an open information space to share current and future views about the Autonomous Network, and how this theme is being addressed by different stakeholders.	Barcelona, Spain	20 onsite and 67 online	87	Full engagement / organisation support. Held in parallel with MWC 2025 and organized by NetworldEurope and CCSA. Event report, presentations and video recordings available at https://www.networleurope.eu/early-notice-workshop-autonomous-network-for-future-ai-vertical-oriented-new-business-services-barcelona-5-march-2025/

Appendix B Full engagement support breakdown of events

This is a breakdown of the types of events organised in year 1 as Full engagement support events. The section to which they refer to in the deliverable can be found in (brackets).

B.1 Workshops (8)

- IAFA#9 – How Advanced Communications Can Support Sustainability Goals (2.1).
- NetworldEurope / China Communications Standards Association (CCSA) Autonomous Networks Workshop @ MWC 2025 (2.6).
- SRG Workshop on Sustainability at EuCNC 2025 (2.11).
- NetworldEurope / CCSA Non-Terrestrial Networks Workshop (2.17).
- 2nd Bharat 6G Alliance and 6G-IA Workshop (2.15).
- Convened Session on 6G National Initiatives at EuCNC (2.10).
- Convened Session at EuCNC 2025 – SMEs on the Spotlight: Driving Innovation in Next-Generation Communication Networks (2.12).
- Visions for Future Communications Summit (typically structured as a high-level workshop/conference) (2.21).

B.2 Webinars (13)

- UK's 6G Achievements and Experimental Platforms (2.2).
- SNS Call 3 Projects Onboarding Webinar (2.3).
- SNS Webinar – Introducing the Call 3 SNS Projects (Part 1/2) (2.4).
- SNS Webinar – Introducing the Call 3 SNS Projects (Part 2/2) (2.5).
- Dutch National Initiative on 6G Presentation (presentation delivered via webinar format) (2.7).
- Joint Webinar of the 6G-IA and 5G-ACIA: Update on Recent 5G/6G Achievements (2.8).
- The Italian National Initiative on 6G – Achievements in the RESTART Programme (2.9).
- SNS CO-OP Questionnaire Webinar (2.13).
- The French National Initiative on 6G (delivered as webinar) (2.14).
- SNS CO-OP Webinar Series on National Initiatives: Resilience in 6G – The Finnish View (2.20).
- 6G-IA & 5G-ACIA Joint Webinars: ISAC/JCAS Webinar (2.8 and 2.18).
- SNS CO-OP Webinar Series on National Initiatives: The Swedish National Initiative on 6G (2.20).