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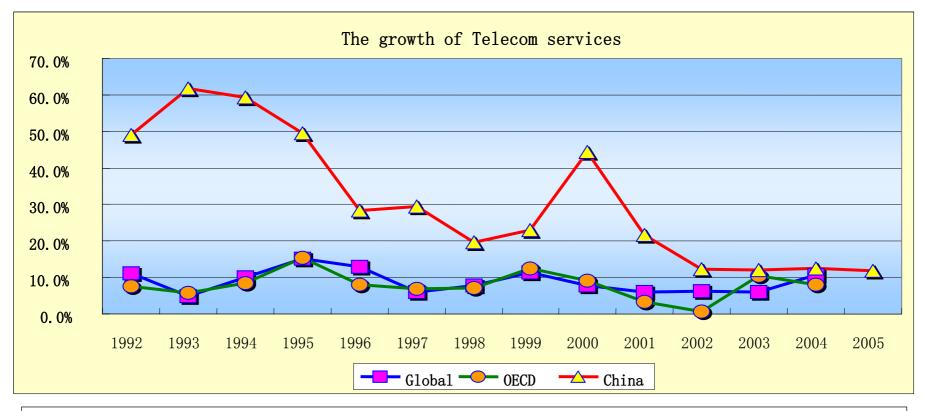


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Development Speed of the Telecom Industry slows down



• In general, development speed of the global Telecom services revenue slows down:

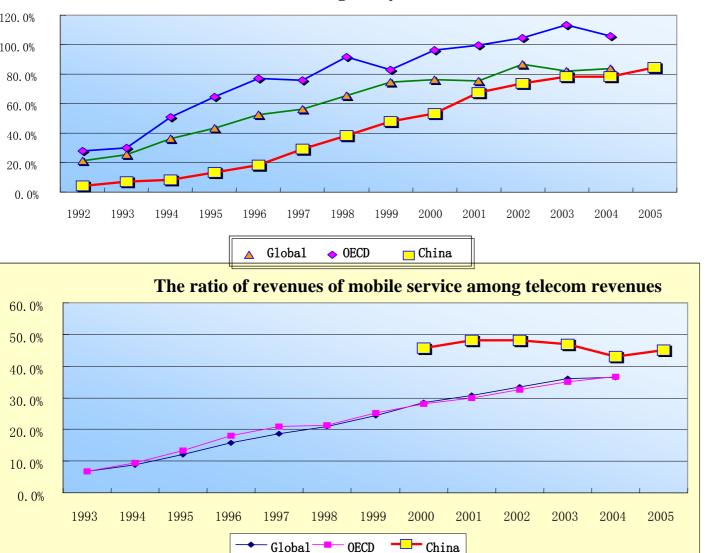
■ In recent 10 years(94 ~ 04),global annual average rate 8.9%, OECD 8.1%, China 24.7%;

In recent 4 years ($00 \sim 04$), global annual average rate 7.2%, OECD 5.5%, China 14.5%

• The growth rate of China[s telecom sector is much higher than those of developed countries; However, the trend remains the same

• Driven by the development of mobile services and broadband and the transformation of the Telecom industry, the global annual rate of the operating revenue of telecom industry maintain a speed of around 6%, and in China, it is the about 9.5 %

The substitutional effect of mobile services

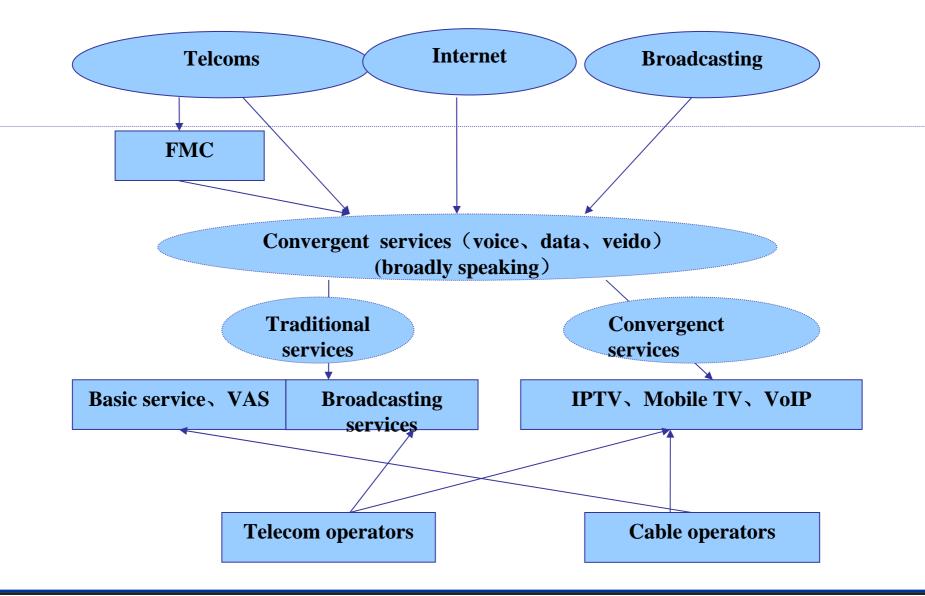


The ratio of mobile user among newly increased users market

In terms of users: global 84%, OECD over 100%; China, near global average The ratio of revenues from mobile services : Global and OECD about 36.5%; In china, 45 %.

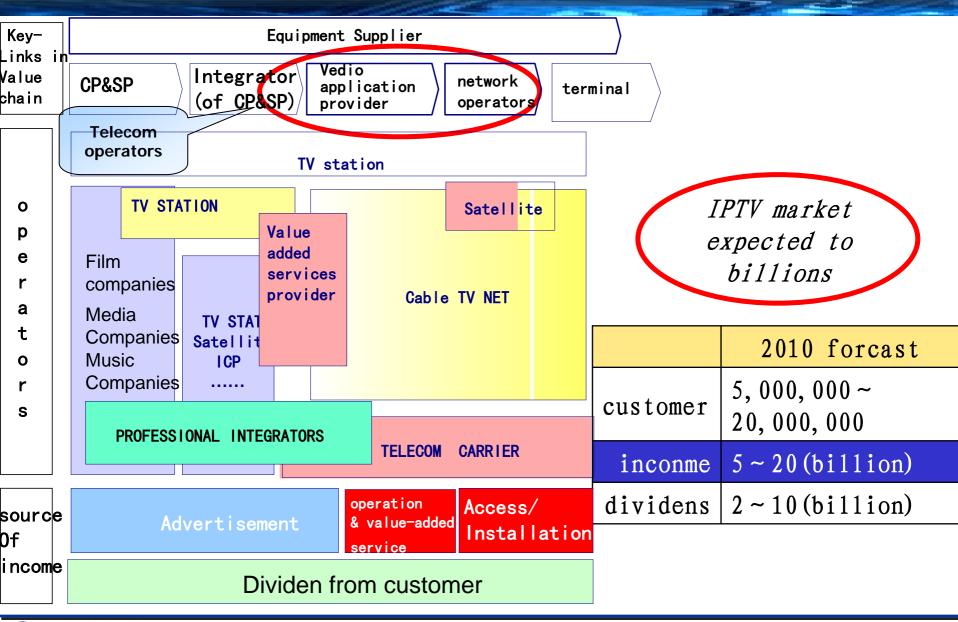


Convergent service: the blue sea of telecom operators





IPTV: the killer application of convergent services







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IPTV overview

Market players

- China telecom
- China Network
- SMG, etc

Licence holders

- Shanghai Media Group;
- CCTV;

- Southern Media Corporation
- China Radio International
- Central People's Radio Station

Main business areas

- Mainly urban areas, including Shanghai, Hangzhou, Ha Er Bin, etc..
- Some rural areas, including Henan province, Jiangsu Province, etc..

Users base

 Totally over 300 thousand users, mainly in urban cities

* Footnote

Business Models of IPTV services

Mode	Target User	operators	Number of Users	Promotion Modes
Hangzhou Mode	Urban families	Hangzhou Media China Co., Ltd. (Radio- television Stock Holding)	30,000 IPTV users	Overall transition, mainly by presenting, charges ¥40 per month.
Guangdong Mode	Urban families	Telecom Allied with Manufacturers	60000	Users purchase or deposit, equipment ¥700-800, ¥50 per month.
Harbin and Shanghai Mode	Urban families	Telecom Allied with Culture Broadcasting	Over 260,000	Cooperation between SMG and telecoms; Terminal paid by SMG; ¥60 per month.
Henan Mode	Rural users without cable television	Promoted mainly by Telecom	30,000 Users	Popularized to each village free of charge, ¥ 35 top cover.
Jiangsu Mode	City Home Users	Telecom allied with Xinhua News Agency; Telecom allied with Culture Broadcasting	unknown	Telecom builds two networks; News Agency provides the contents for one; Culture Broadcasting for the other.



Regulatory framework for IPTV services

Business Activities	Administrative departments
Service Approval of VOD service	Provincial radio and broadcasting bureau
Granting license of transmitting audio and visual programs on the net.	SARFT
Service Approval of the operation of transmitting radio and television programs within or across the provinces.	SARFT
Basic telecom and value-added telecom service across regions.	MII



(2) Regulatory policies for IPTV

	Network regulation	Content regulation
Objectives	 Guarantee citizens basic right of communication Improve the net cover rate and utilization ratio Guard the network safety Promote efficient and effective competition and guarantee market order 	1.Public influence control2.Cultural protection3.Protection of minors
Main legislation	1.Telecommunications Ordinance and correlative managerial stipulations 2.NPC standing committee's Decision on Maintaining Internet Security 3.Protective Rules of Radio and TV Facilities	<i>Protective Rules of Radio and TV</i> <i>Facilities</i> and many stipulations issued by State Administration of Radio Film and Television, Telecom, as well as correlative sectors of news, publication, police and cultural education
Contents	Market access ; Access and interconnection ; tariff regulation; resources management ; Supervision of standards and facilities ; universal service ; Supervision of security	Content Production, Integration, transmission and broadcasting



Regulatory institutions:

Vertical regulatory regime, a convergent regulatory regime not established;

Policy issues:

The cross-entry between telecoms and cables is prohibited by the existing government order

IPTV

Legal provisions:

a convergent legal framework not set up; no legal provision of IPTV positioning; the distinction between IPTV and information service is blurring

Standards:

necessary standards do not exist to support the deployment of IPTV services

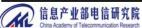




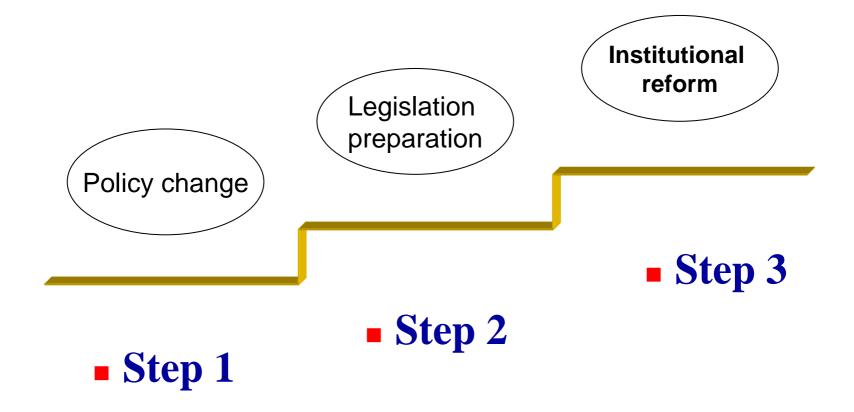
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Steps to promote convergence







Policy adjustment

 Revising or eliminating the inconsistent or infeasible polices that detain the development of convergence businesses.

Regulatory institutions

 Network regulation and content regulation should administered by separate departments.

legislation

- Convergent legislation be enacted for the smooth development of convergent services, such as IPTV, Mobile TV, etc..
- Telecommunication Act (draft) should accommodate the trend of convergence.

legislation

 Information Security Law or Information Security Rules should be enacted as soon as possible.

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