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How Spectrum Policy Thinking is Changing

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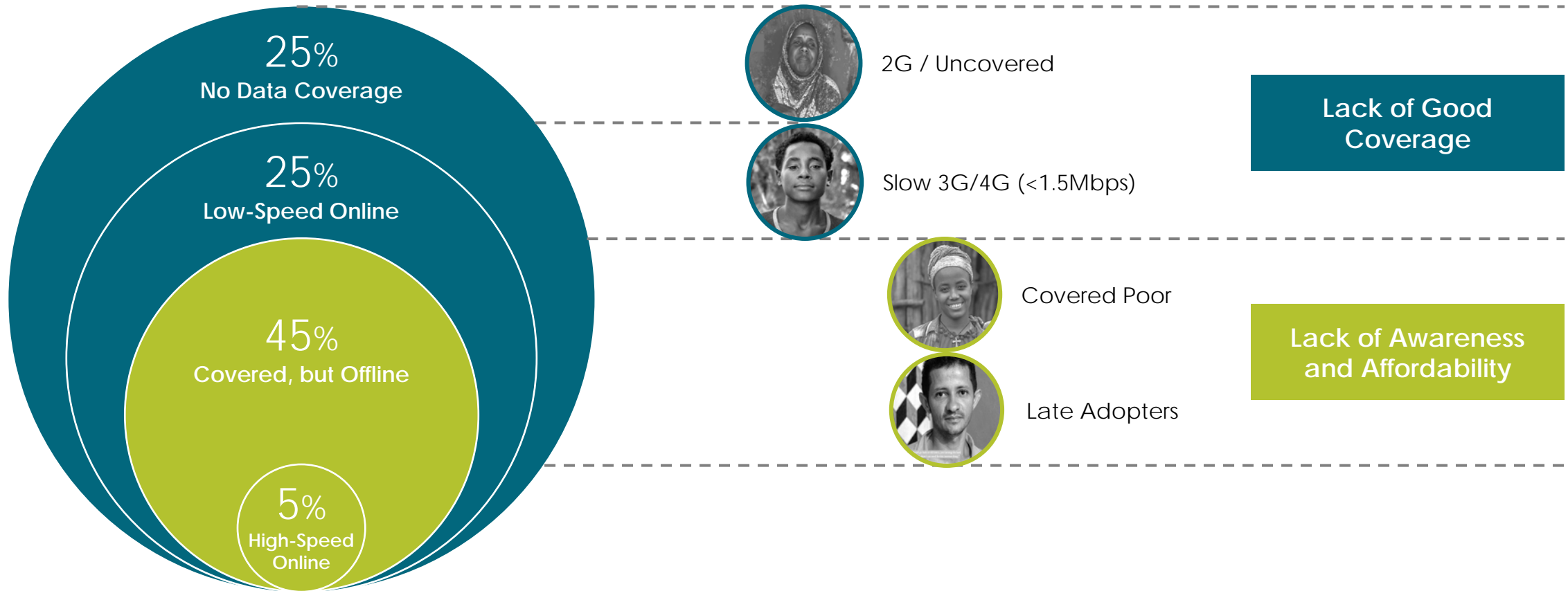
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Over 500M Rural Residents are Un(der)-Connected in Emerging Markets



Note: Rural defined as settlements < 5000 people and density <200 people/km2
 Data based on 2019 Facebook analyses and GSMA data for Mozambique, DRC, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Tanzania,, Brazil, Mexico, Indonesia, Philippines, India



Spectrum is Essential to Solve Rural Connectivity Challenges



Difficult
Environments



Low Revenue Per
User & Density



Minimal Infrastructure
Investment



CAPEX
Constrained



Dense Remote
Populations



Licensed spectrum is lying fallow.

Shared spectrum gives
policymakers a real opportunity
to tap its potential.

Sustainable models encourage
participation.

Build One, Serve Many

- Increase connectivity and speed for the most people.
- Reduce costs for MNOs and enable affordability for consumers.
- Make it possible for more operators to offer service in more areas.
- Shared Infrastructure:
 - Shared towers
 - Shared backhaul
 - Shared Opex
 - (Why not shared spectrum?)






- **Wholesale model.** Increase investment using a wholesale model.
- **Partnership.** Capitalize on the opportunity for public-private collaboration.
- **Drive sustainability**
 - Common technology, systems, and tools
 - Empower local operators to lower total capex for MNOs
- **Drive scale:**
 - Common regulatory framework
 - Roaming & access to spectrum





- It's well documented that connectivity and broadband drives economic development and GDP.
- Spectrum sharing can accelerate deployment of connectivity and broadband.
 - Both for underserved rural areas as well as capital-constrained urban areas
- As an industry, we should assess the economic impact of accelerating access vs. one-time license fees.



Could the economic and GDP value of connectivity acceleration outweigh the value of auctioned spectrum for a country?

A globe showing the continents of North and South America, overlaid with a network of white dots and lines representing a global communication network. The background is a solid teal color.

Let's use the power of smart spectrum
policy to connect everyone