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## Vodafone and Capgemini collaborate on 5G development for industries in Spain

This collaboration allows to explore further possibilities of scaling 5G solutions, enabling industries, such as manufacturing, logistics chain, transport and mobility, health or administration through smart cities, to pivot their business to be ready to take advantage of the 5G revolution.

Madrid, 30 July 2021 - <u>Vodafone Spain</u> and <u>Capgemini</u> cooperate in Spain to improve 5G engineering and product development processes. The European operator, pioneer in deploying the 5G network in Spain, has chosen Capgemini for its extensive knowledge in telecommunications and in the engineering and development processes that 5G technology will transform in the short and medium term. Both companies are already working together on several projects, including the "<u>5G Red.es Andalucía Pilot</u>". This project has 35 use cases in Spain applied to different sectors, which is now in its final stretch, with more than half of the cases already executed.

Initiated in 2018, the objective of this collaboration is to accelerate the arrival in Spain of new solutions supported by 5G. In this way, it will be possible to boost the industry and potential sectors and position the country as a benchmark in the use of this technology. Capgemini has <u>5G use case labs</u> and platforms that will help shorten the time to market for new product and service deployments. This will improve implementation and project development times. Moreover, it will allow exploring the possibility of scaling 5G solutions in different verticals and researching the potential of this technology together with others. Thus, it will help change the future for industries, notably manufacturing, logistics chain, transport and mobility, healthcare or administration through smart cities.

Vodafone's commitment to innovation has led it to be a pioneer in offering commercial 5G services in Spain and to manage one of the largest 5G innovation programmes in Europe and the largest in Spain, "Piloto 5G Red.es Andalucía". In addition, the company is the IoT market leader in Spain with more than 3.5 million connections, one of the technologies that will most transform the future of companies. Also, it has an innovation ecosystem in direct contact with customers and with the aim of providing solutions to the digitisation challenges currently faced by organisations.





Capgemini Engineering<sup>1</sup>, combining the Group's capabilities in engineering, research and development (R&D) , is recognised as a market leader, and it has the largest global distribution network, with a presence in every major engineering and R&D centre in the world.

Daniel Jiménez, CEO of Vodafone Business in Spain, stressed that "5G is a fundamental part of our strategy and thanks to this collaboration with Cappemini Engineering we can accelerate the development of practical cases that have a huge impact on the digitisation of companies, as well as on an industrial fabric that needs to adapt to the new productive changes in an agile and secure way. 5G is set to become the best ally for this".

Luis Manuel Díaz de Terán, Vice-President and Head of Telecommunications at Capgemini Engineering<sup>2</sup> in Spain said: "The combination of our capacities in 5G and 'Intelligent Industry', the next generation of Industry 4.0, with Vodafone's deep expertise allow us to accelerate the digital transformation of industries, unleashed by 5G and its applications. We have managed to make it easy and scalable to implement the benefits that this revolution brings to customers and citizens. This is the key for our customers to gain a real competitive advantage and for citizens to get the most out of 5G. The revolution is already here and Spain must and can lead it. We have the infrastructure and the knowledge of the pilots to make it a reality".

## **About Capgemini**

Capgemini is a global leader in partnering with companies to transform and manage their business by harnessing the power of technology. The Group is guided everyday by its purpose of unleashing human energy through technology for an inclusive and sustainable future. It is a responsible and diverse organization of 270,000 team members in nearly 50 countries. With its strong 50 year heritage and deep industry expertise, Capgemini is trusted by its clients to address the entire breadth of their business needs, from strategy and design to operations, fueled by the fast evolving and innovative world of cloud, data, AI, connectivity, software, digital engineering and platforms. The Group reported in 2020 global revenues of €16 billion.

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Vodafone is a leading telecommunications company in Europe and Africa. Our purpose is to "connect for a better future" and our expertise and scale gives us a unique opportunity to drive positive change for society. Our networks keep family, friends, businesses and governments connected and – as COVID-19 has clearly demonstrated – we play a vital role in keeping economies running and the functioning of critical sectors like education and healthcare.

Vodafone is the largest mobile and fixed network operator in Europe and a leading global IoT connectivity provider. Our M-Pesa technology platform in Africa enables over 50m people to benefit from access to mobile payments and financial services. We operate mobile and fixed networks in 21 countries and partner with mobile networks in 49 more. As of 30 June 2021, we had over 300m mobile customers, more than 28m fixed broadband customers, over 22m TV customers and we connected more than 127m IoT devices.

We support diversity and inclusion through our maternity and parental leave policies, empowering women through connectivity and improving access to education and digital skills for women, girls, and society at large. We are respectful of all individuals, irrespective of race, ethnicity, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, belief, culture or religion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capgemini Engineering combines, under one brand, a unique set of strengths from across the Capgemini Group: the world leading engineering and R&D services of Altran – acquired by Capgemini in 2020 – and Capgemini's digital manufacturing expertise.





Vodafone is also taking significant steps to reduce our impact on our planet by reducing our greenhouse gas emissions by 50% by 2025 and becoming net zero by 2040, purchasing 100% of our electricity from renewable sources by 2025, and reusing, reselling or recycling 100% of our redundant network equipment.

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