

An Analysis of Radiolinja's Strategy – Vodafone Co-operation by Klaus Nieminen

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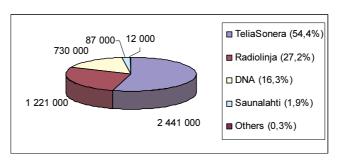
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Mobile Market

- High penetration saturated
- GSM postpaid



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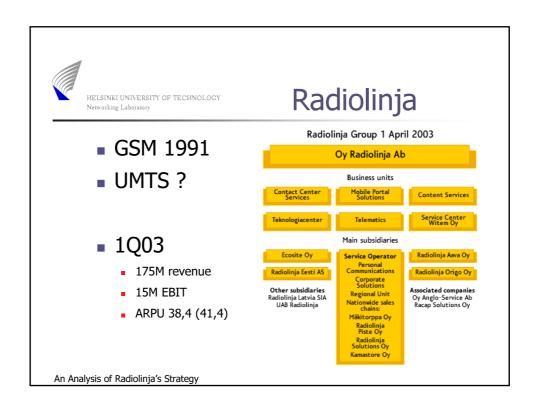
Has Changed...

- Sonera acquisition and mobile number portability
- Coming entrants

Service Operator	Used network
ACN Europe	Sonera
Fujitsu	Suomen 2G
PGFree	Suomen 2G
Tele2	Radiolinja
Teraflex	Sonera
Wireless Maingate	Suomen 2G

Current operators

Service operator	Used network
Cubio	Radiolinja
DNA	Suomen 2G
Globetel	Sonera
FinnetCom	Sonera
Radiolinja	Radiolinja
Saunalahti	Sonera
Sonera	Sonera







Vodafone Co-op

Vodafone in brief

- Now the number one with 122,7 million subscribers
- Was six years ago an unknown UK-based operator
- 16 subsidiaries, 9 associates and 9 partners

Benefits for Vodafone

- Access to Vodafone services in Finland and Estonia
- Further leverage of Vodafone brand
- Increase of inbound roaming on Vodafone networks

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Vodafone Co-op 2

Benefits for Radiolinja

- · Improves Radiolinja brand
- Simplifies the roaming charges
- · Enables use of familiar short numbers abroad
- Possibility to sell Vodafone's global services
- Ready partnership network for roaming agreements
- Increase of roaming traffic on Radiolinja network



Scenario 1

- Acquisition
- Not likely, because:
 - Vodafone's strategy seems to increase its partnering network
 - Elisa is not eager to sell
- Vodafone is willing to continue and further evolve the partnership with Radiolinja.

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Scenario 2

- Co-operation in product and service development and offering
 - Vodafone's global services
 - Evolving towards R&D co-operation
 - Network and service platform investments
- Brand limits the choices



Conclusions

- Mobile operator market will change
 - Challengers, technologies
- Radiolinja:
 - Focus on profitability and strong brand
 - Elisa's strategy?
- What are Vodafone's interests

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The End

Thank you, any questions?