

Evolving NFV towards the Next Decade
Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of ETSI NFV

BT plc – NFV Past, Present and Future

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BT's history with NFV

In the beginning...

BT's Don Clarke, Peter Willis & Andy Reid along with members from 12 other operators produced a white paper on NFV.

This led to the creation of the ETSI NFV ISG.

And then...

BT has been a constant contributor to ETSI NFV over the past 10 years, from Bob Briscoe being Chair of NFV SEC, then later Alex Leadbeater, to Don Clarke being the chair of the Network Operators Council.

BT deploys and manages uCPE and NFVI across the globe on behalf of customers.

And now...

Andy Reid is still involved after 10 years, he is currently the Vice Chair of the NOC.

BT continues to roll out NFVI across the UK and globally.

Along with Canonical and Juniper we've built a private NFV infrastructure across the UK for 5G and fixed line networks.

**NFV is a key component of our
network architecture and 5G
strategy**

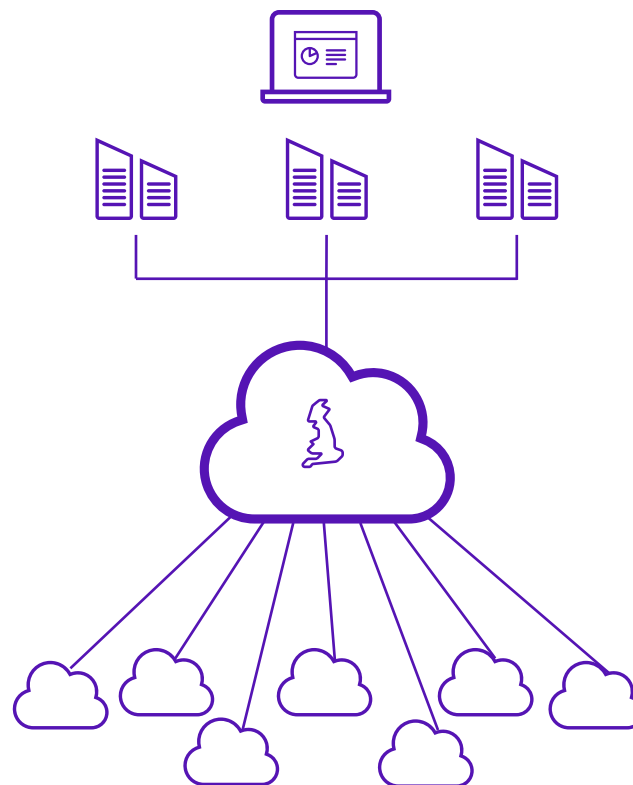
BT's Network Cloud

In 2019 BT announced a key partnership with Canonical and Juniper for a private cloud NFV infrastructure.

Data Centre Hub sites for MANO

NFVi Sites for VIMs and VNFs

A growing number tenants, including our 4G/5G Mobile Cloud Core and fixed network control plane.



CANONICAL



JUNIPER
NETWORKS

BT's Network Cloud – where are we now

Development and test facilities at Adastral Park Ipswich, Borehamwood and Bristol.



>35 NFVI sites around Britain



~1000 switches



~3000 servers



~170,000 cores



>1 Petabyte of RAM



And many petabytes of physical storage

5G

>50% 4G/5G (Non-Standalone) mobile data being carried over our NFV Mobile Cloud Core

Into the future



