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Overall, the approach seems to be open enough to not restrict particular avenues.

I make two comments that I think should be borne in mind:

1 - some of the language presupposes a position, eg "opportunities" "issues" "uncertainty" - these are often just different faces of the same underlying 'thing'. Maybe the scope section could be rewritten as

"Transition from a PSTN to an NGN environment gives rise to opportunities, issues and change around:

- service design and delivery
- efficiencies / cost savings [tautology?]
- investment
- business plans and models
- technical architecture and network operations
- regulatory and competition frameworks"

This seems to me much more open a start to take.

Also, I have no idea what "Continuity of service for end users" means. Sounds like a red-herring scope item to me. A bit of FUD?

2 - I strongly support the intent to not tie this piece of work to Telecom separation. Alignment and info sharing where right - but this activity must not be hold hostage.

Best

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