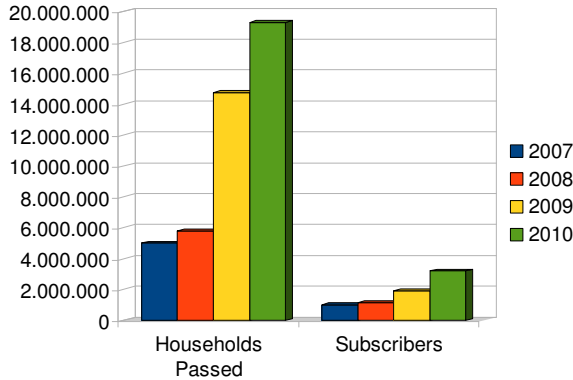


The European FTTH market has been showing high dynamics, rapidly growing. The total number of **households passed** which has nearly tripled in one year, from **5.8 to more than 19 million!** Today some **411 projects** in Europe encompass more than **3,2 million FTTH subscribers**.



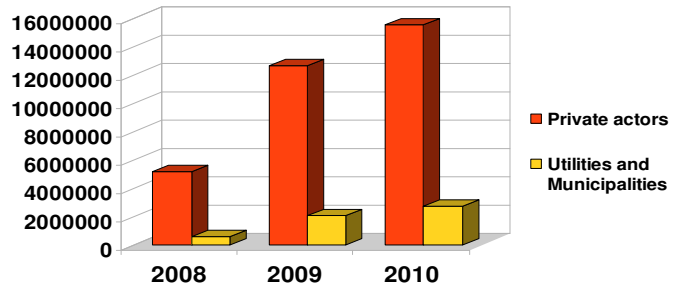
The market is however differing from country to country

**Nearly 70% of FTTH/B subscribers are located in 7 markets: Sweden, Italy, Lithuania, France, the Netherlands, Norway, and Denmark.**

When it comes to FTTH/B penetration rate, the top 3 are **Lithuania, Sweden and Estonia**. **Lithuania** has become the European country with the highest fiber broadband penetration in Europe with **24% penetration**. **Sweden** is the country with the 2nd highest FTTH penetration, **14 %** of the total households (**1.3 M HH passed**) and more than **600,000 FTTH subscribers**. Smaller countries

such as **Slovenia** demonstrate high penetration rate as well with nearly **10%**.

These developments are due to the competitive forces within the markets, as **public owned entities** are only representing 20% of the projects. Beneath impulse coming from public authorities and utilities, **the regulatory policy** is essential and of major impact on the specifics of each national FTTH market, even if embedded within the European framework.



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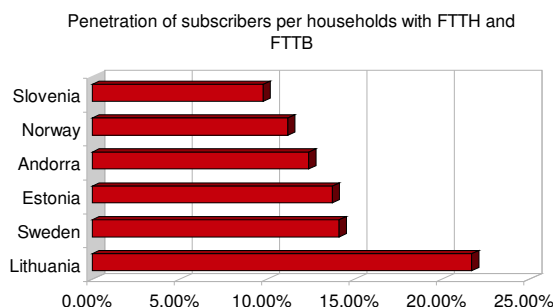
*Based on Scandinavian return of experience enhanced by dedicated analysis of other significant markets it enables to get an in-depth understanding of the business models and market dynamics.*

**Key topics by “FTTH in Europe 2010”:**

- Analyse the role of public actors as key players within the FTTH market,
- Show the regulatory approaches and explain how it impacts investments and competition within the market.
- Understand the attitude of incumbents regarding the open access initiatives and the regulator’ measures (Partnership, shared infrastructures
- Describe strategies related to CAPEX and efficient deployment strategies
- Show the development of services and offers (HDTV, Triple play, VoD,VoIP)
- Understand technologies’ choices between GPON, PtoP...
- Analyse the Scandinavian return of experience for FTTH

**In the European FTTH market**, Scandinavian countries have a preponderant role, having been pioneers in this sector. Sweden has seen deployments appearing by the two major competitive telcos Bredbandsbolaget (B2) and Bostream since 1998 or by Stokab, issued from the City of Stockholm which started FTTH implementation as early as 1994. Being ahead of the European activities, **Scandinavian countries** are leading the FTTH European market in terms of penetration per households but also of return of experience.

Indeed these markets have been among the first to launch open access business models, which nevertheless have not met objectives as expected. While in many European countries, **local authorities and public utilities** are at the forefront of the deployment and management of FTTH infrastructure and networks, the issue is if the Scandinavian model of Open Access is meeting expectations or doomed to fail as such.



**The business model of FTTH** – especially the ones impulsed by public entities-encounters quite some hurdles and is diverging from simple passive infrastructure provider to info-structure provider with active services. **The FTTH in Europe 2010** Study will address these issues in order to understand the specific FTTH dynamics within Europe extended to the analysis of various

strategies undertaken by the players (incumbent, altnets), of the services differentiation and definition of viable business models. Indeed end of **2009 Dong Energy** was selling its Fibernet FTTH Open Access Network to the Danish incumbent TDC. **TDC bought the entire network and operations.** This sale shows clearly that private actors, foremost incumbents, are gaining direct interest for the utilities and public initiatives within the FTTH segment.

**Other incumbents** are also stepping into the open access arena. In early days, Telenor has acquired Bredbandsbolaget and Bostream, KPN has got to be a shareholder in Reggefiber, himself being a partner for the Amsterdam Citynet project. Swisscon has stepped into many **partnerships with the public municipalities or public utilities** for a joint development of the FTTH infrastructure.

**Incumbents are major players** regarding FTTH, these strategies are being observed with care. Indeed quite some regulators have decided to define strong measures. Thus the Dutch regulator... the Danish is expected to undertake specific analysis around the takeover of Dong by TDC; France has experienced a regulator ARCEP which has been stepping dedicatedly into the FTTH market.

**All these factors and elements of the FTTH market have been studied by bmp TC’s and Greenfield’s consultants** to enable to better apprehend the current dynamics of the market and to grasp on the opportunities to see many countries benefiting from FTTH (such as in Finland which has set 100Mbps access as universal service by 2015) and competitive Ultrabroadband offers.

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