



Orange Belgium participates in Fluvius' fibre pilot project in Flanders

Orange Belgium welcomes the ambition of Fluvius to roll out open optical fibre with passive access. In 2019 a pilot will start in 5 cities and municipalities (where the city of Genk will be first in line to be connected) aiming to connect 15.000 households. Orange Belgium is the first Belgian telecom operator to partner up with Fluvius on their fibre pilot project, that fits within the framework of the Flemish Government's superfast network goals for the future. Orange will be responsible for its backhaul network and will roll out its own active equipment that will be connected to Fluvius' optical fibre.

Open infrastructures with passive access are in the best interest of consumers

Orange supports this open model with access to a passive fibre infrastructure, supported by Fluvius. This model has been successfully used in other European countries. It allows an acceleration of investment and lower prices for consumers, as several operators can use the shared infrastructure at a reasonable price. It also stimulates competition as each service operator can use its own active equipment, which allows them to further differentiate on services and technological network innovation.

About Orange Belgium

Orange Belgium is one of the leading telecommunication operators on the Belgian market, with over 4 million customers, and in Luxembourg through its subsidiary Orange Communications Luxembourg.

As a convergent actor, we provide mobile telecommunication services, internet and TV to private clients, as well as innovative mobile and fixed line services to businesses. Our high-performance mobile network supports 2G, 3G, 4G and 4G+ technology and is the subject of ongoing investments.

Orange Belgium is a subsidiary of the Orange Group, one of the leading European and African operators for mobile telephony and internet access, as well as one of the world leaders for telecommunication services to enterprises.

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