



**SKT Journey
to
Urban Air Mobility**





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Intro

SKT Journey to Urban Air Mobility

“ UAM? ”

Transportation that carries passengers/cargo
over the urban area

Cutting-Edge solution for traffic congestion and pollution in city area
by using **electric-powered eVTOL*** with zero emission.
* electrical Vertical Take-Off and Landing

eVTOL Key Elements

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Vertical
Take-off/Landing

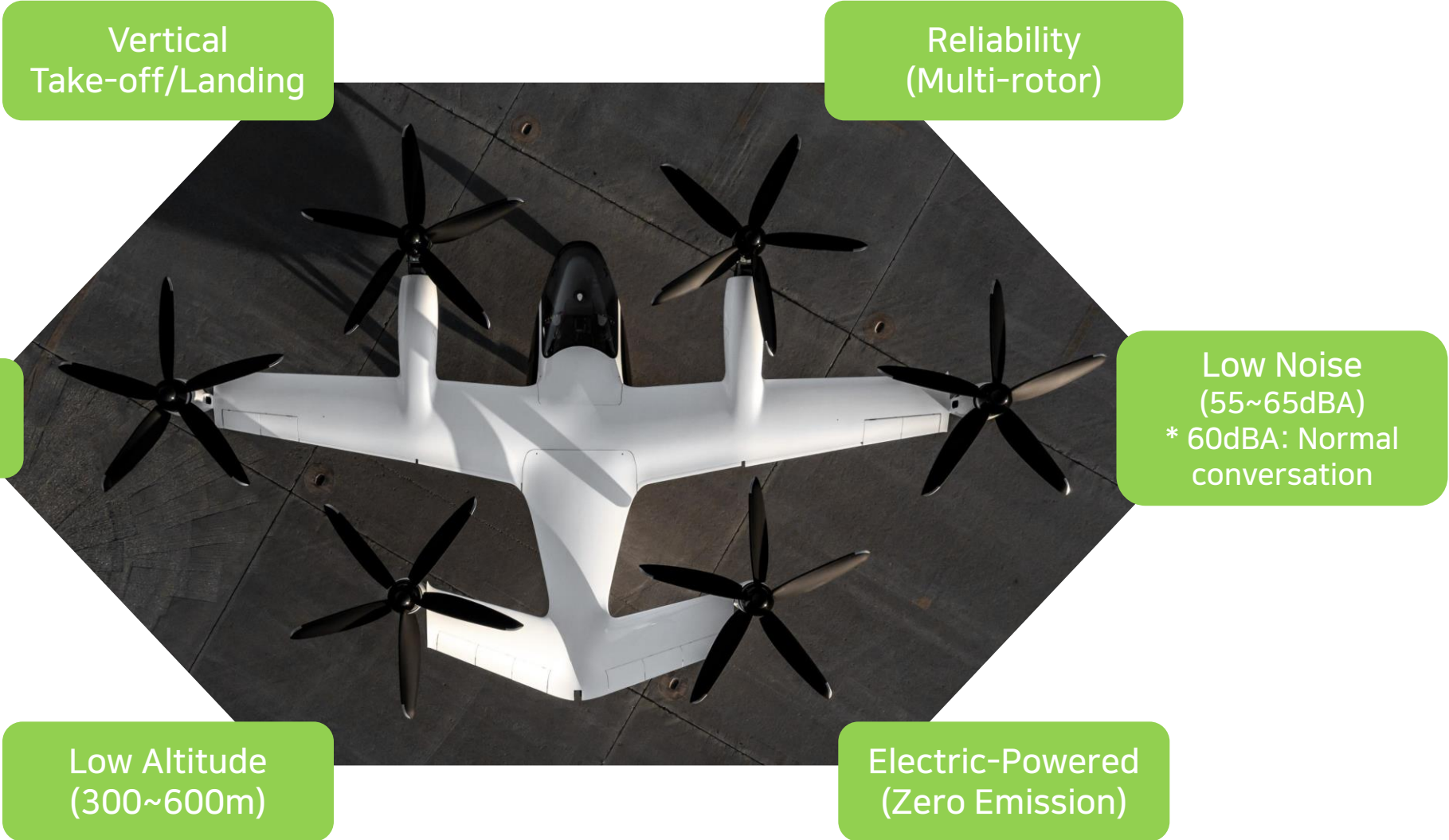
Reliability
(Multi-rotor)

High Speed
(approx. 300km/h)

Low Noise
(55~65dBA)
* 60dBA: Normal
conversation

Low Altitude
(300~600m)

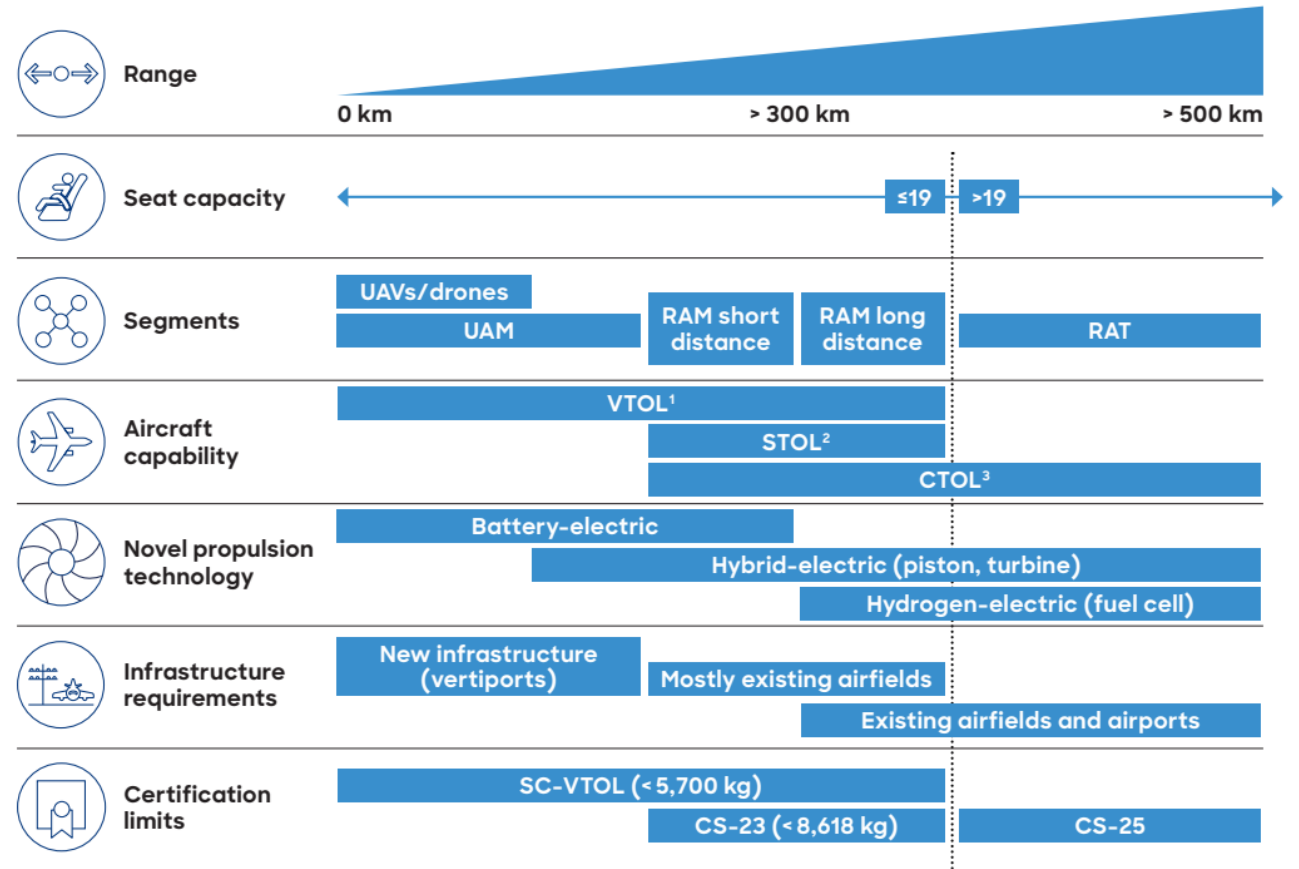
Electric-Powered
(Zero Emission)



Overview of Advanced Air Mobility market segments

Intro

Different types of aircraft and propulsion systems for a variety of use cases

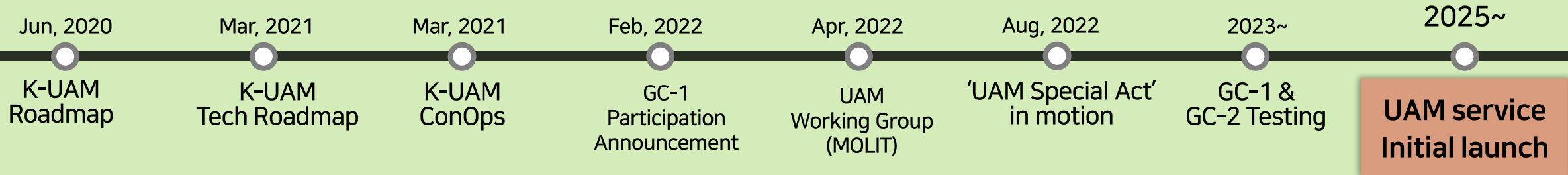


1 Vertical Take-Off and Landing 2 Short Take-Off and Landing 3 Conventional Take-Off and Landing

Source: Bauhaus Luftfahrt, Roland Berger

Government and Policy Trend

Intro



Issues



UAM Selected as one of South Korea Presidential Agendas

- To establish infrastructure, regulation and testbed for UAM commercialization in 2025

UAM Special Act (Oct 2023)

- Inducing active participation by establishing regulatory exceptions and business support for UAM (Assembly Approval / Oct 2023)

Head
Ministrative



R&D Project

- K-UAM technology development projects carry out by 5 ministries
- SK Telecom is participating as part of consortium

Organizing
Agency



Grand Challenge

- Safety and operability demonstration with public/private joint demonstration program
- SK Telecom is one of the participants joining Grand Challenge partnering with Joby Aviation

Vehicle
Certification



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3-dimensional
Urban Mobility

SK telecom

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UAM Business Goal

UAM by SKT

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Leap to a Global AI Company through the AI Pyramid Strategy centered on the three areas of AI Infra, AIX, and AI Service

AI Service

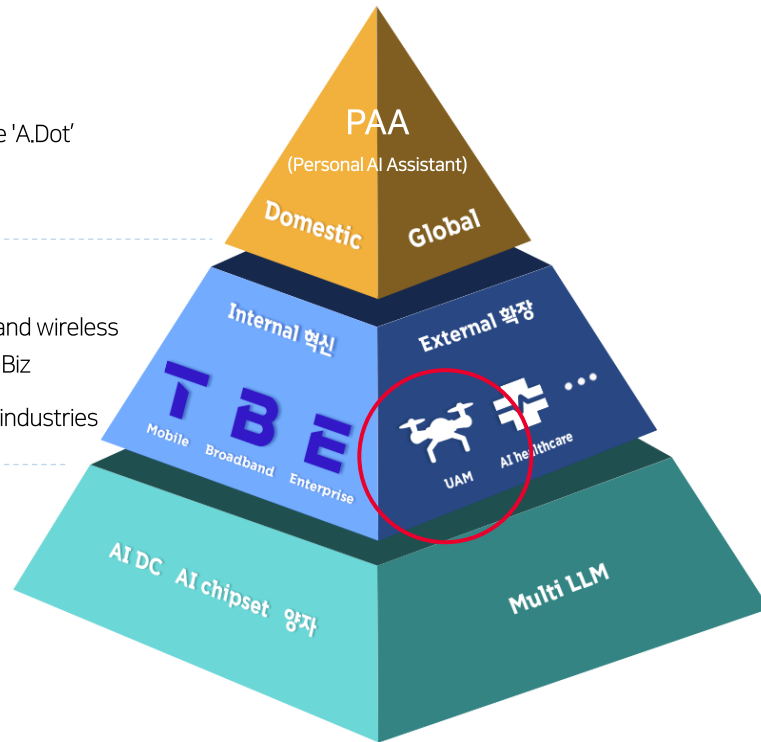
AI personal assistant service 'A.Dot'
Global Top level PAA

AIX

AI transformation of Wired and wireless communication, Enterprise Biz
Expanding AI capabilities to industries such as UAM

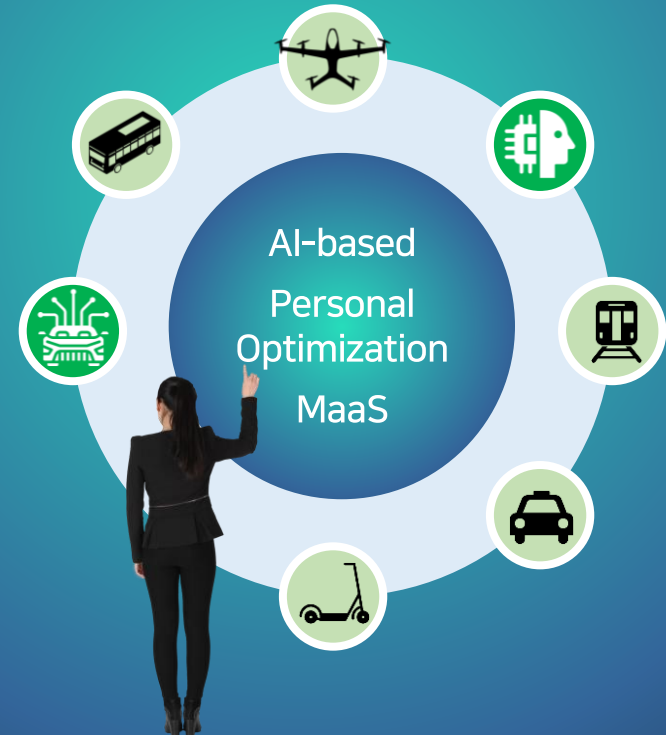
AI Infra

AI DC, AI semiconductor, 양자
On-device AI, LLM...



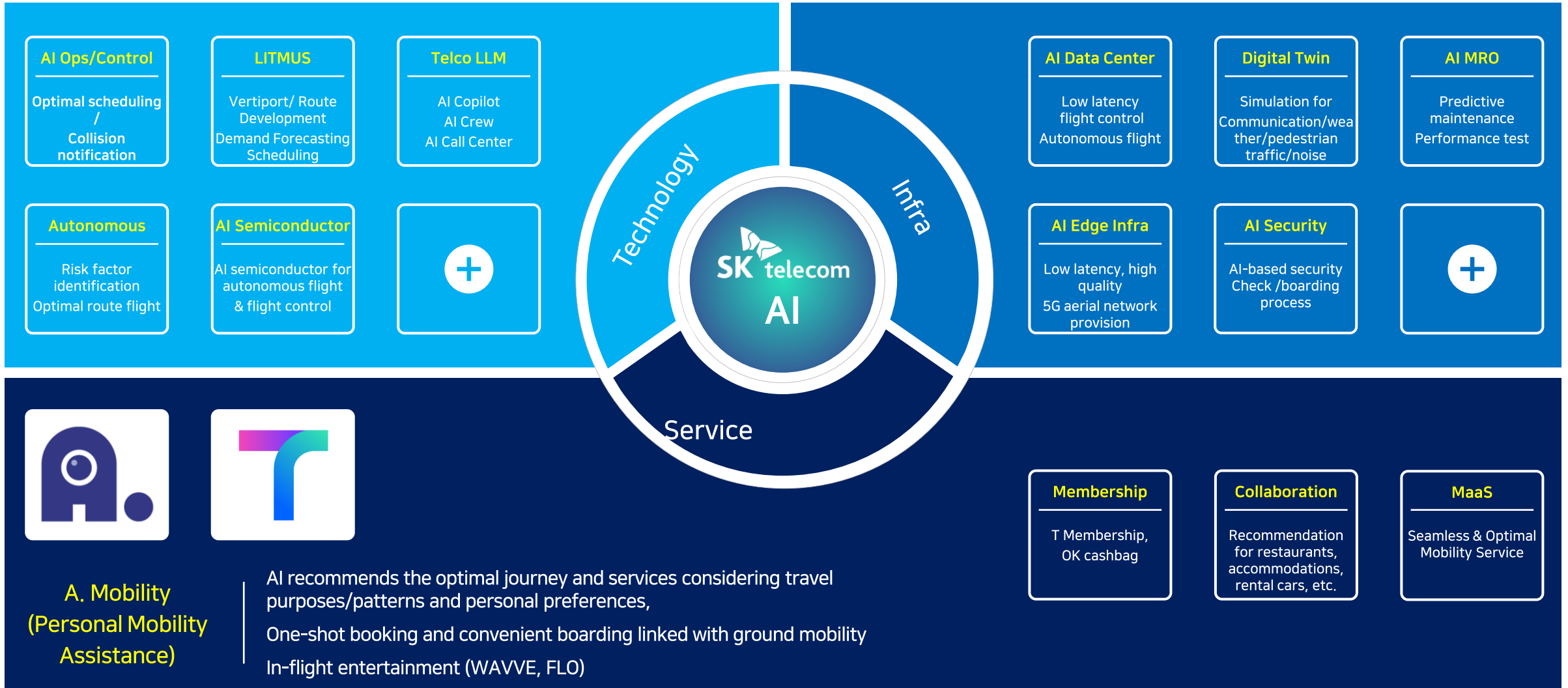
SKT's UAM

Expanding SKT's differentiated AI capabilities to UAM
Mobility Leader realizing 3D connections between sky and ground



Urban 'AI' Mobility by. SKT

UAM by. SKT



Connected Intelligence

UAM by SKT

Connecting players within the UAM industry through SKT's Connected Intelligence to provide a seamless integrated service from UAM reservation, boarding, flight, to ground transportation



Global Top UAM Aircraft

Global No.1 aircraft manufacturer
Exclusive partnership with Joby



Full-range operating system development

SKT's own
Operation/Traffic Management System



Consolidated MaaS P/F

All-in-One platform for UAM and public transportation/rental cars/parking



AI based Analysis Solution

Optimal location/route analysis based on AI & Big Data technology

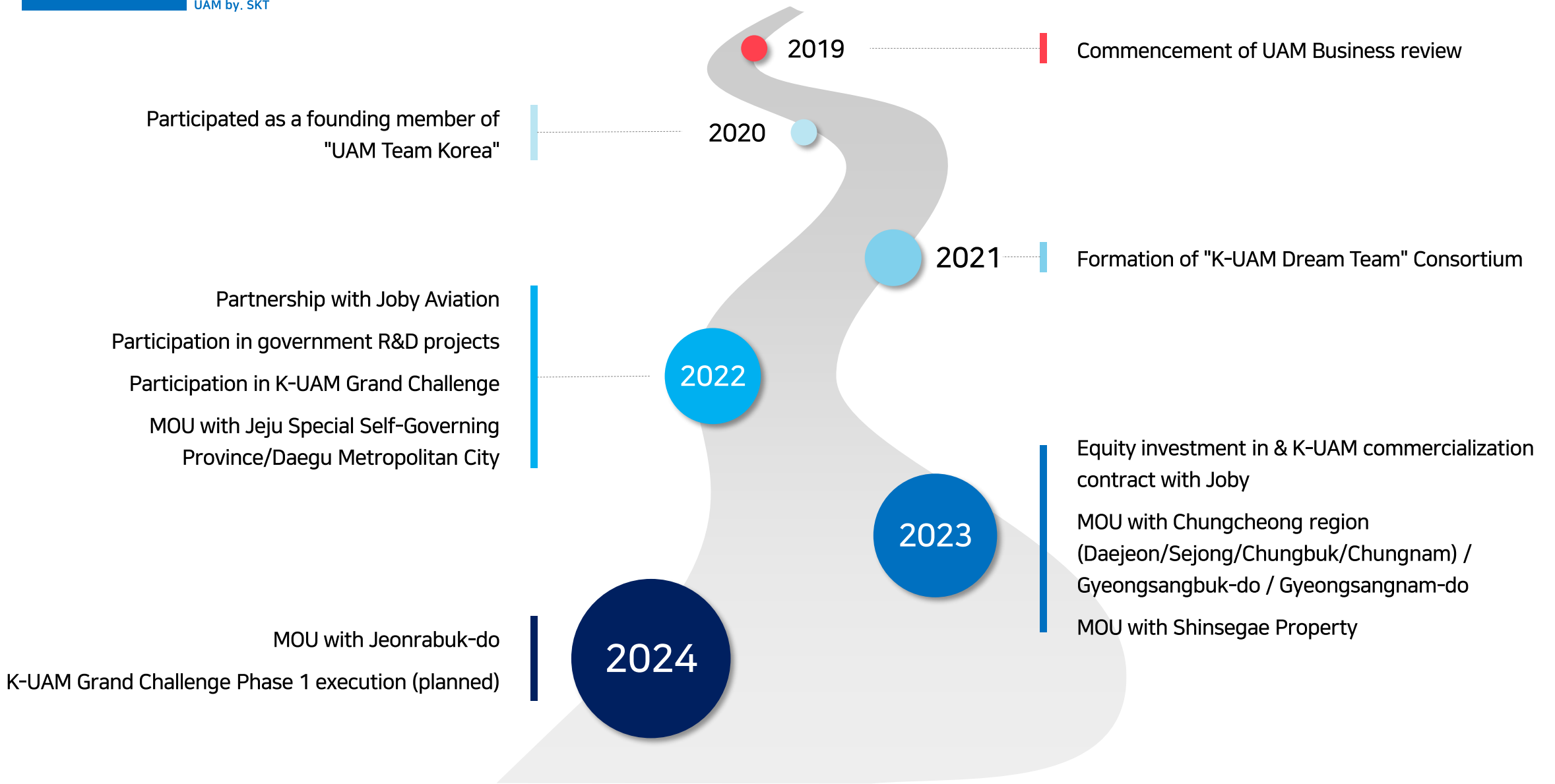


UAM Aerial Network

Development of aerial network technology for autonomous flight/seamless communication

History

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Highlights ① Partnership with Joby

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Strong Collaboration across aircraft, service, system, etc.

Joint participation in K-UAM Grand Challenge

Cooperation for UAM demand analysis (with Tmap Mobility)



First Completion of FAA type certification stage 3

Cooperation with NASA and the US Air Force

First flight for NASA Demonstration

First airworthiness certification of US Air Force Agility Prime eVTOL

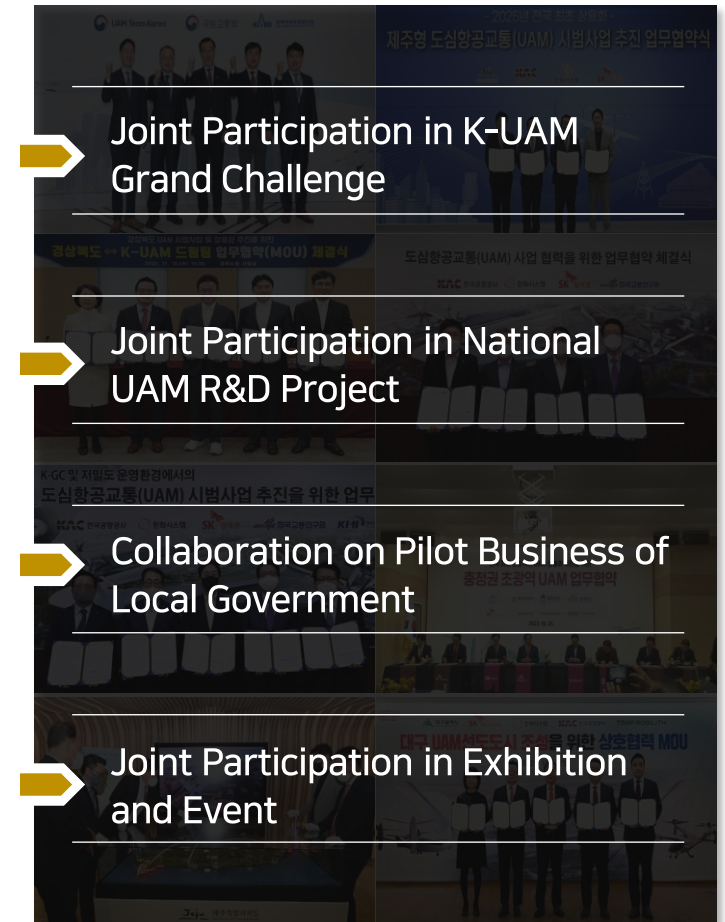
Acquisition of Air Operation Certificate Part 135 / Maintenance Certification Part 145

In habited flight demonstration in Manhattan, New York (Nov. '23)



Highlights ② K-UAM Dream Team(Consortium)

UAM by SKT

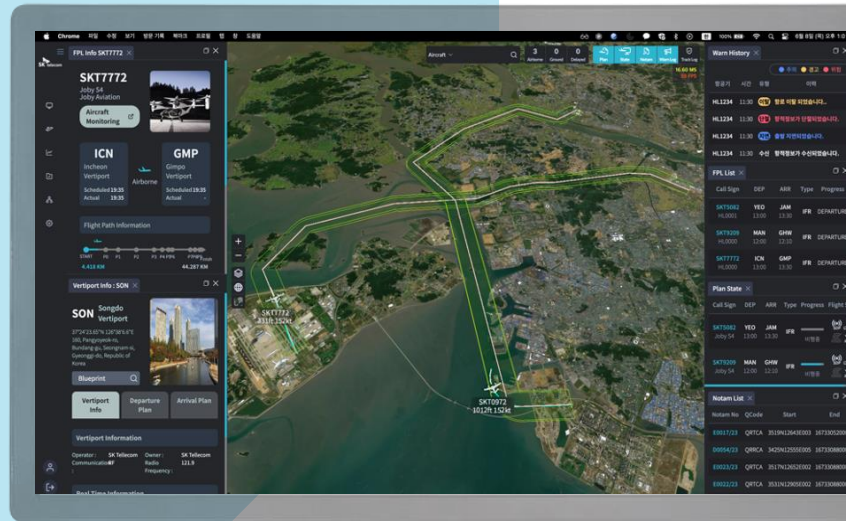


Highlights ③ SKT UAM Operation / Traffic Management System

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Operation Management System

Safe low-altitude urban operations



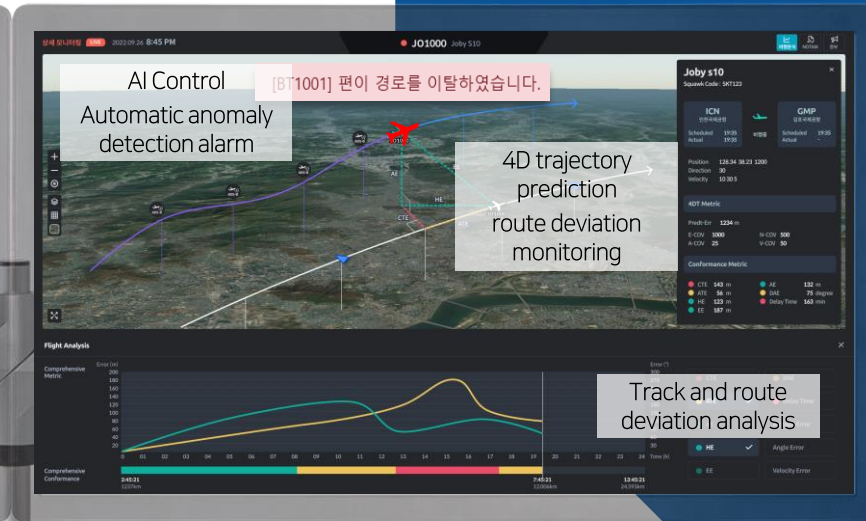
Configuration of Play-back function for pre-flight verification and post-flight analysis of flight plans

Latest GIS-based 2D/3D Map: 4D trajectory monitoring, improved visibility of flight information

Ensuring flight safety through route deviation alarms

Traffic Management System

Utilizing AI to increase operational efficiency and convenience



Integration of flight planning/operation monitoring into a single operation management system

Increase operational management efficiency through simplification/automation of flight plan information input

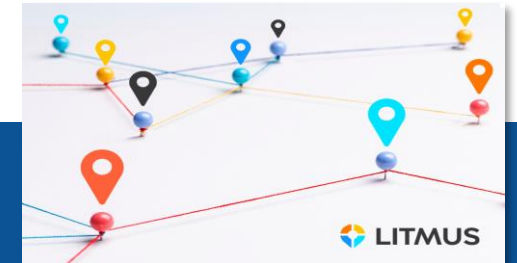
Ensure punctuality through departure/arrival management based on 4DT* flight path/time prediction

Highlights ④ AI based Demand Forecasting Model – “LITMUS”

UAM by SKT

SKT possesses AIX technology that analyzes transportation means (bus/subway, etc.) and purposes (commuting/travel, etc.) using location data.

Through AI & Data Transformation, it realizes optimal vertiport location, aircraft operation efficiency, and improved customer convenience



Location-intelligent data



Potential Customer Group Modeling



Demand Analysis Modeling per Target Segment



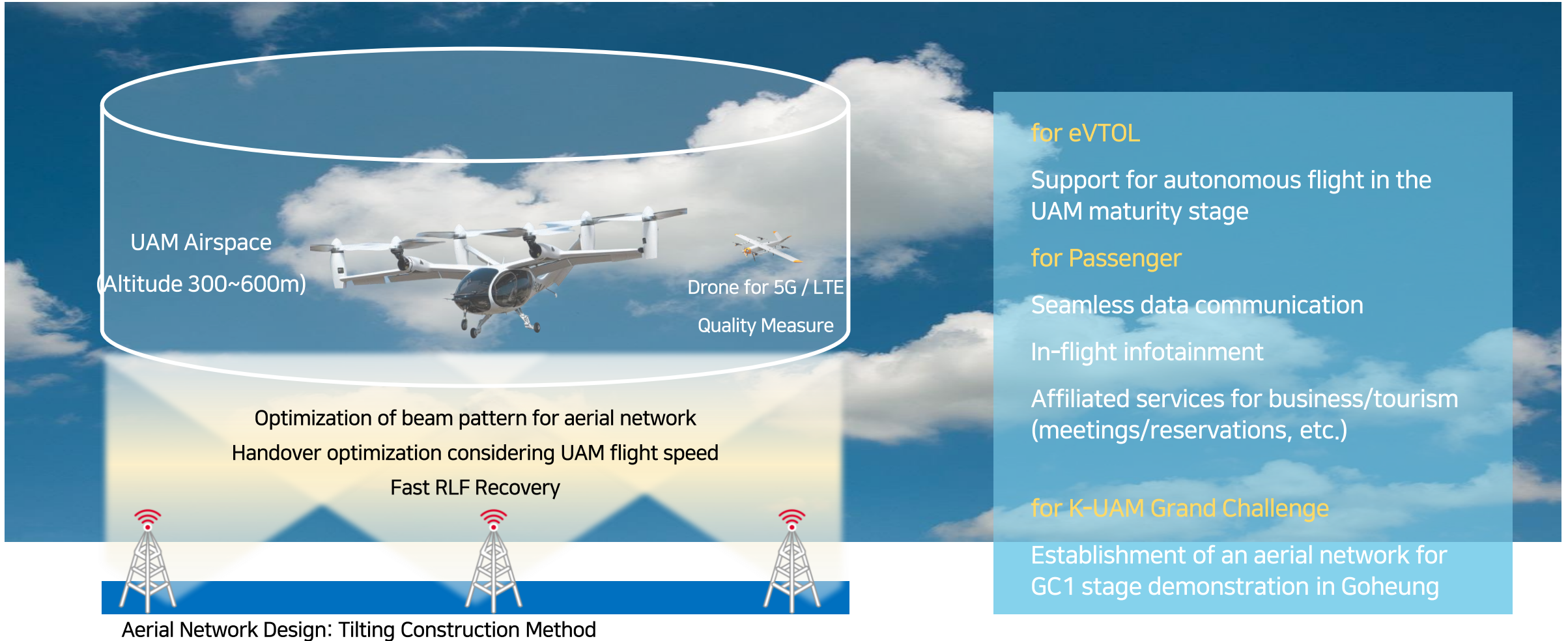
UAM Customer Benefit Analysis Modeling



Vertiport Location Modeling

Highlights ⑤ Aerial Network Technology

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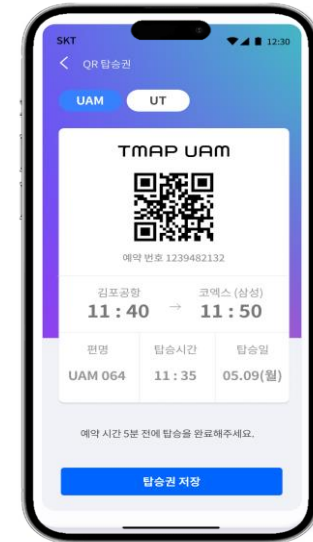
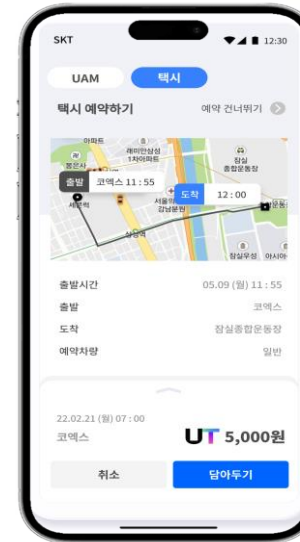
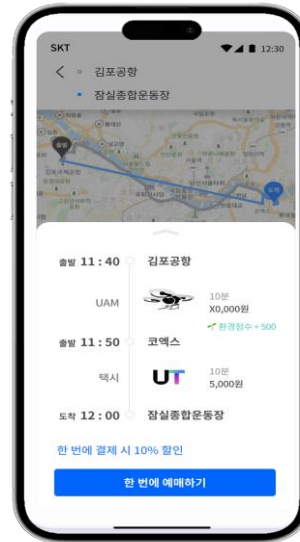
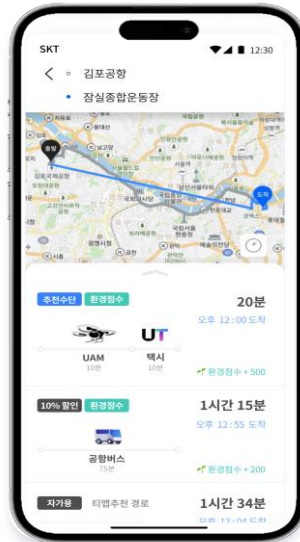
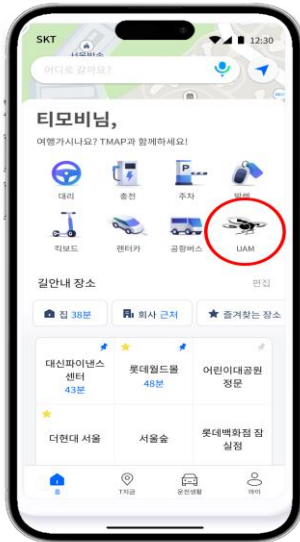


Highlights ⑤ MaaS(Mobility as a Service) Platform

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TMAP MOBILITY4



All-in-One Platform

Integration of various means of transportation such as UAM-public transportation-rental cars-parking, etc.

Mobility service optimized for traffic congestion, weather, personal preferences, etc.

Subscription-based Mobility services such as integrated commuting plans, weekend-only plans, etc.

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Roadmap

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Use cases

Roadmap

Passenger

Airport Shuttle	Inter City	Intra City	(On-demand) City Taxi	Sight Seeing
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Public

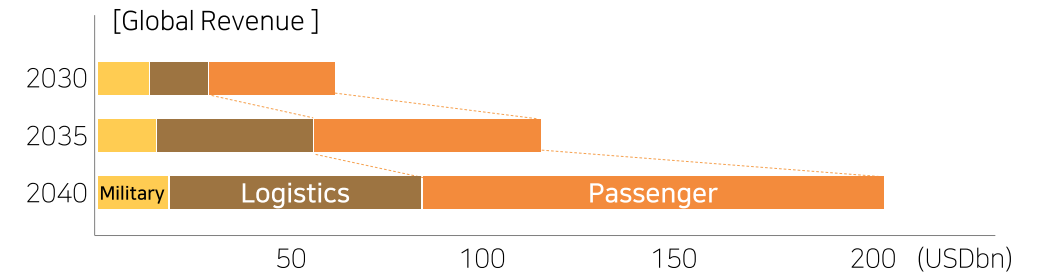
Emergency	PSO	Fire/ Disaster	Traffic Monitoring
Security	Military	VIP	+∞ (Measurement, etc.)

Logistics

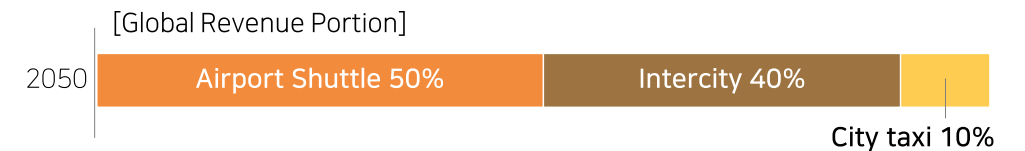
B2B

Charter	Infra Mgmt.
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UAM can be utilized for various purposes and uses, and Passenger will become the largest and fastest-growing use case ¹⁾



In particular, the Airport Shuttle among Passenger is expected to be the most promising market ²⁾



However, due to limitations in safety/infrastructure/social acceptance, it is more likely that tourism/public use cases will be implemented before urban transportation



The EU also noted the high social acceptance of public use cases and is researching emergency medical services using UAM through the 'AiRMOUR' project

1) KPMG('22. 4), Passenger use cases in the Advanced Air Mobility revolution

2) Roland Berger('20. 11), The high-flying industry_Urban Air Mobility takes off

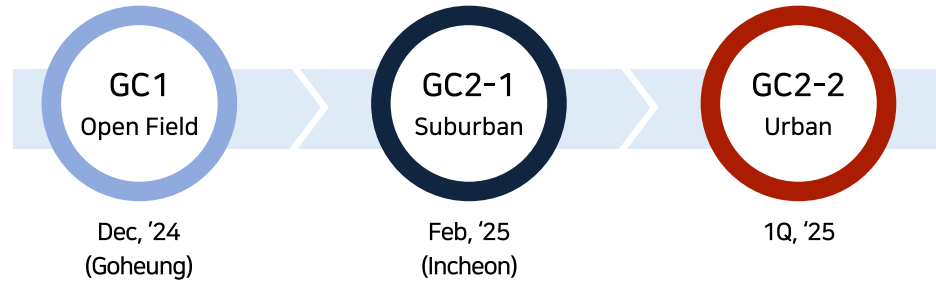
3) Main projects of the 'UAM Projects and Initiatives Community', the EU's UAM development platform

K-UAM Grand Challenge

Roadmap

Hosted by MOLIT
Sponsored by KARI

K-UAM Grand Challenge



Introduction of Joby's full-scale aircraft
from GC1 stage



Completion of UAM operation management
system development (Oct '23)

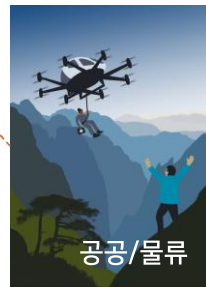
→ Consortium integration test in progress

Operation schedule management system
under development for GC2 stage



Collaboration with Local government

Roadmap



SKT is collaborating with key local governments that have various resources to develop optimal routes for each region



Image Source : COMMERCIAL UAV NEWS

Commercialization Roadmap

Roadmap

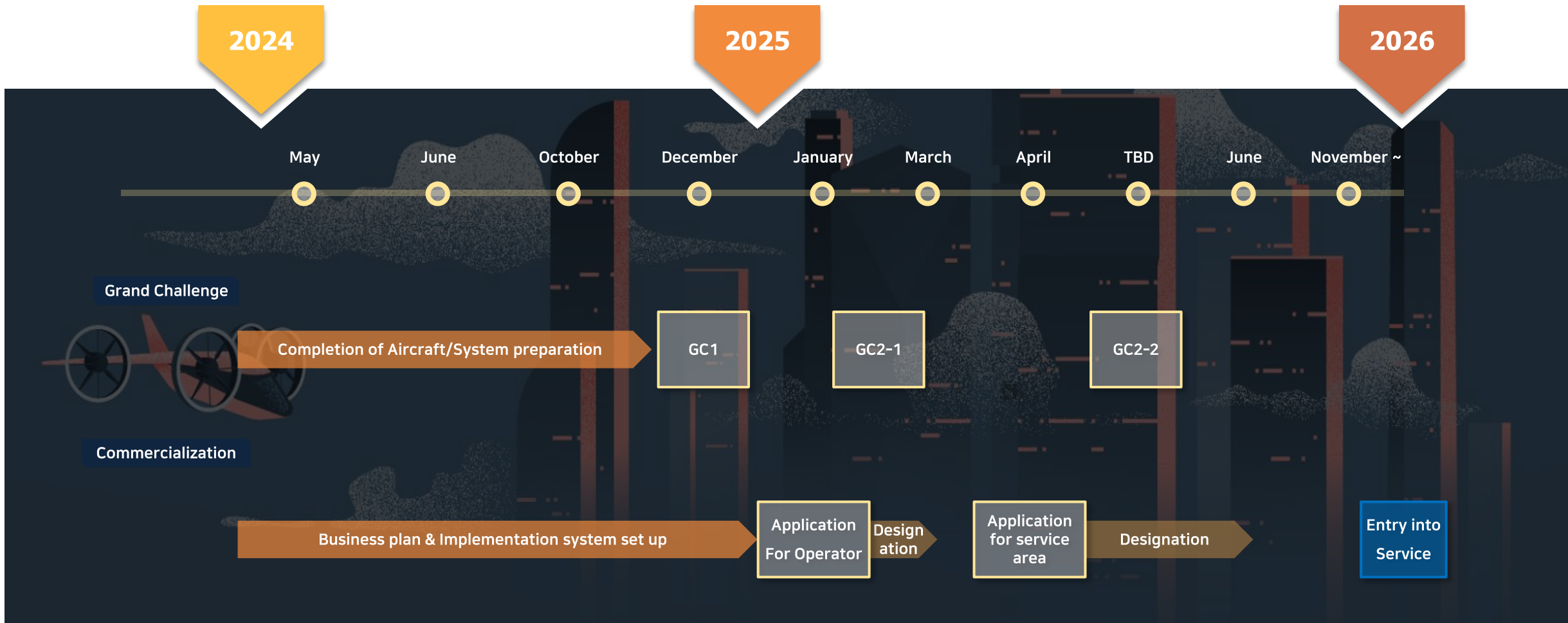


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UAM Ecosystem

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Challenges to address

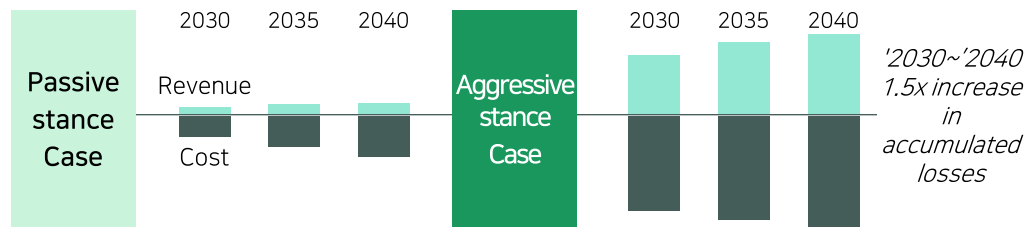
UAM Ecosystem

In the long term, UAM is expected to experience high growth, but inevitably incur losses until it reaches maturity due to massive investments and uncertain demand

The initial development of the aircraft and the construction of terminals (Vertiport) will require large-scale costs, and the first turnaround to profitability is expected to take about 10 years after the start of the business

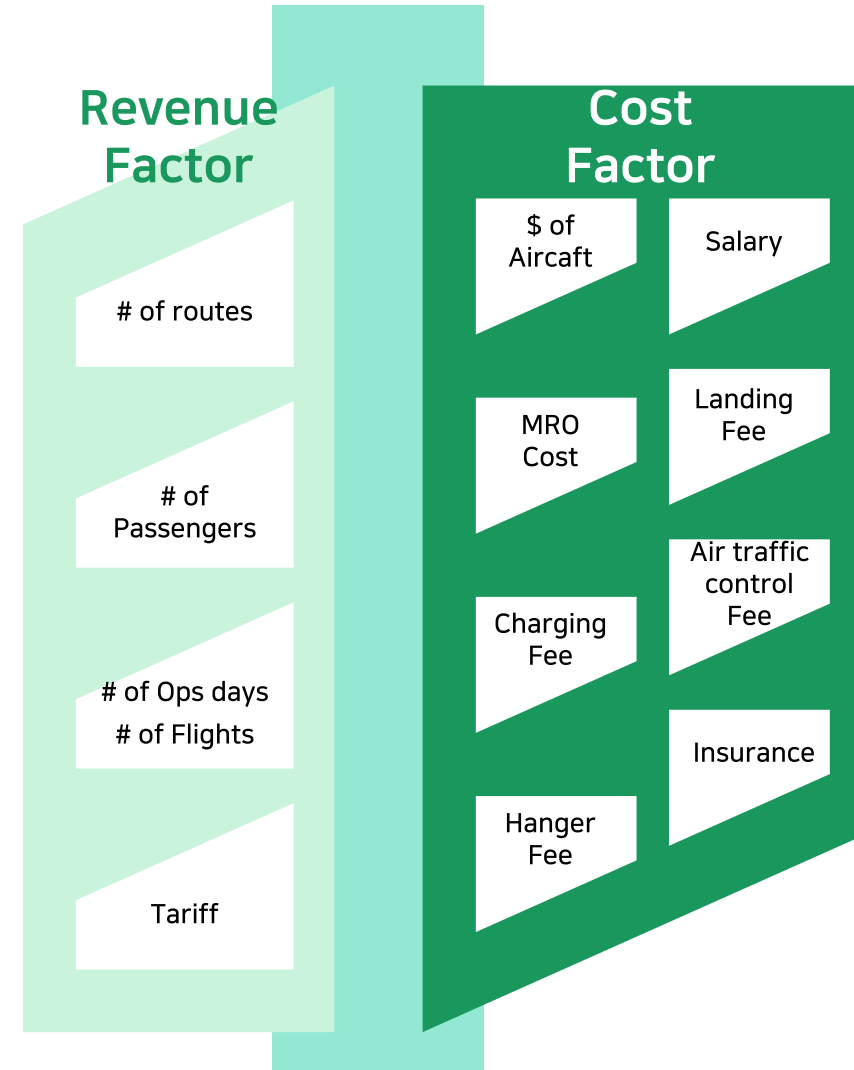
- K-UAM Roadmap ('20.5)

Making it difficult to expect profits through bold investments because focus only on initial external growth at initial stage, losses will increase further,



SKT 자체 사업성 분석 (Roland Berger)

UAM has a wide and complex value chain, making it impossible to improve the market structure alone. Public and private sectors must cooperate to create a virtuous cycle in the UAM ecosystem



Challenges ① Public Use case as a crucial Catalyst

UAM Ecosystem

Public UAM can guarantee a definite initial demand for operators and enhance public trust in safety,

ultimately becoming a crucial catalyst for UAM to establish itself as a transportation system

Case Study

The German air rescue organization ADC Luftrettung plans to purchase two Volocity eVTOLs from Volocopter and deploy them as auxiliary aircraft for emergency medical services (EMS) - Signing of partnership in June '23 -

Over the past two years, joint feasibility studies have been conducted, proving that the dispatch of emergency doctors and initial response are highly effective

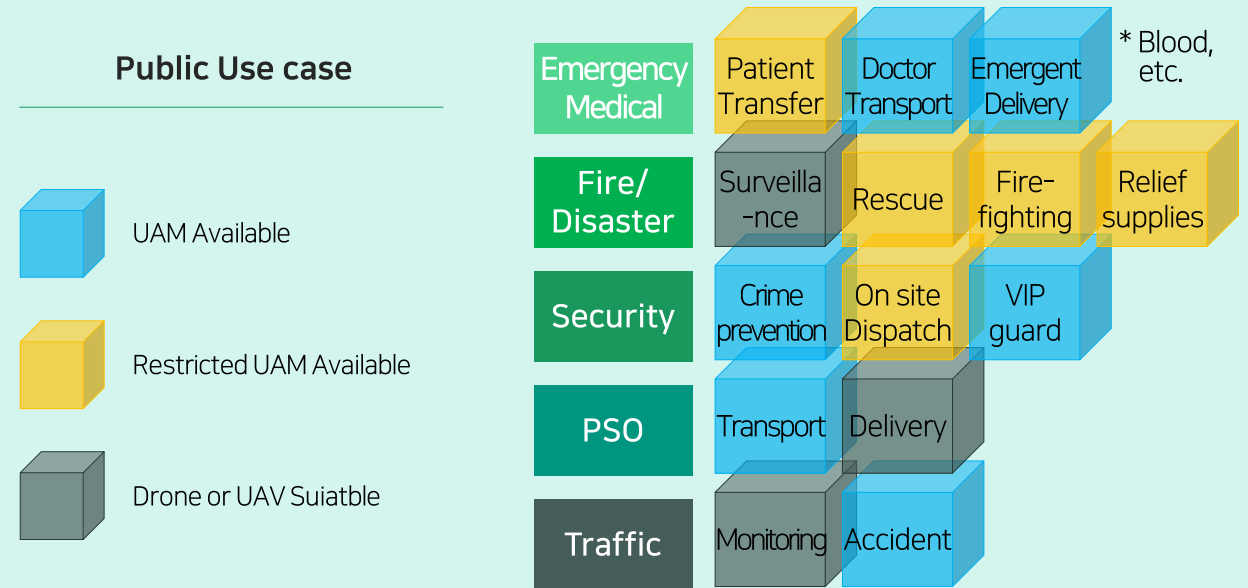
- Conducted over 26,000 simulations in two German states
- "Multicopter in the Rescue Service" report published -

After further verifying the effectiveness and safety through actual operation, it was decided to secure an additional 150 eVTOLs

Some Barriers to tackle for Public UAM Use case development



Public Use case



Challenges ② Infrastructure Development

UAM Ecosystem

There is an absolute shortage of idle land in the city center, and given the narrow rooftop areas of buildings and the high land/real estate prices in the domestic environment,

public-private cooperation is essential to sufficiently establish vertiport infrastructure for UAM's successful Entry into Service

Vertiport Construction Support

The higher the accessibility, the more enormous costs in securing land and construction, resulting in high landing and take-off fees.

It'll make it difficult for UAM operator to be viable

Low-cost leasing of public land or construction subsidy support

Public acceptance of Vertiport

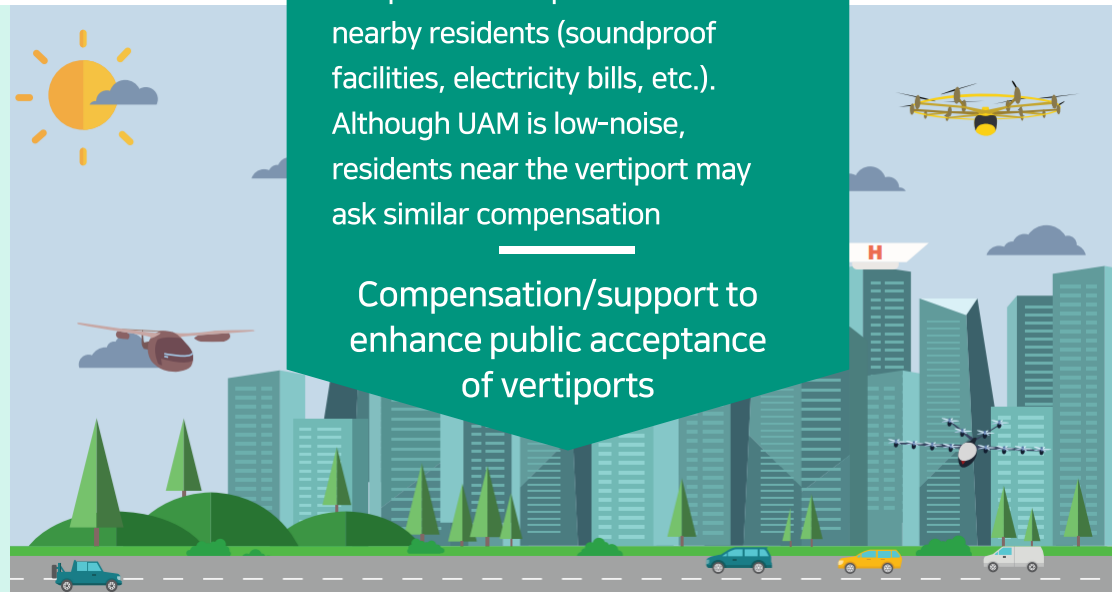
In the case of airports, compensation is provided for nearby residents (soundproof facilities, electricity bills, etc.). Although UAM is low-noise, residents near the vertiport may ask similar compensation

Compensation/support to enhance public acceptance of vertiports

Public Infrastructure utilization

Building vertiports within public facilities such as terminals/train stations and fire/police stations leads to high accessibility/recognition

Installation of vertiports when constructing or renovating public institutions/facilities



* The UK plans to support 20 operators with \$15m for vertiport development through the 'Future Flight Challenge'

* The US is creating \$25m in construction grants through the 'AAIM Act'

Image Source : McKinsey & Company

Challenges ③ Fostering 'First Mover'

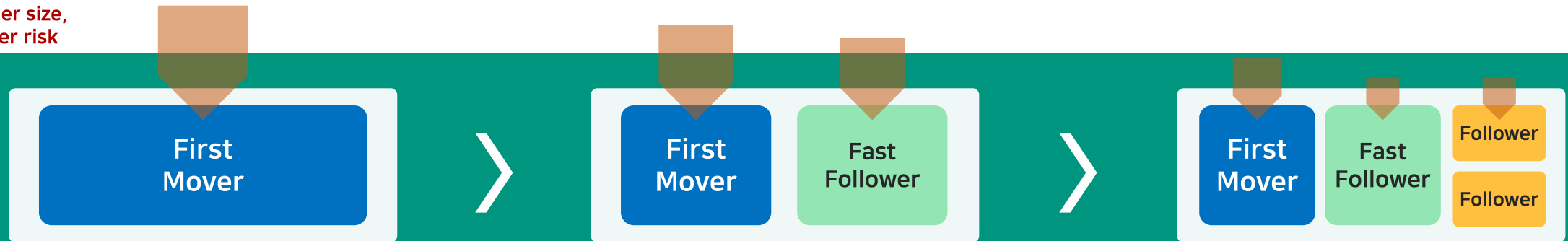
UAM Ecosystem

For the growth of the entire UAM industry,

it is critical to establish a virtuous cycle structure where *first movers, who take on risks and decide to invest, survive in the early market and reinvest their profits to expand 'the overall market pie'*

Risk

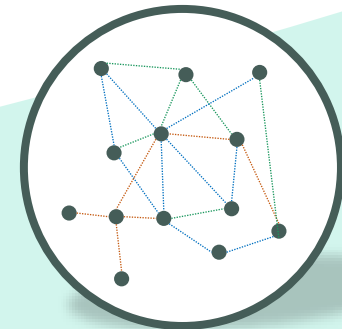
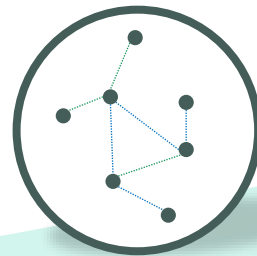
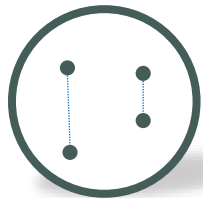
The bigger size,
the higher risk



Investment

The bigger size
the more investment

UAM Network



Market growth & Industry Cultivation

Challenges ③ Fostering 'First Mover'

UAM Ecosystem

To create a UAM ecosystem led by the First Mover,
a minimum foundation that ensures survival is necessary

Rapid resolution of uncertainty	Establishment of business qualifications/regulations
Minimum revenue/profit guarantee at EIS stage	Limiting the number of appropriate operators, Route selection/operation rights
Financial Initiatives	Operating incentives, landing fee support, tax reductions, etc.
Advantage for Excellent Participants of Demonstration	Priority for using demonstration infrastructure, Recognition as qualifications (requirements) for tech./Biz, etc

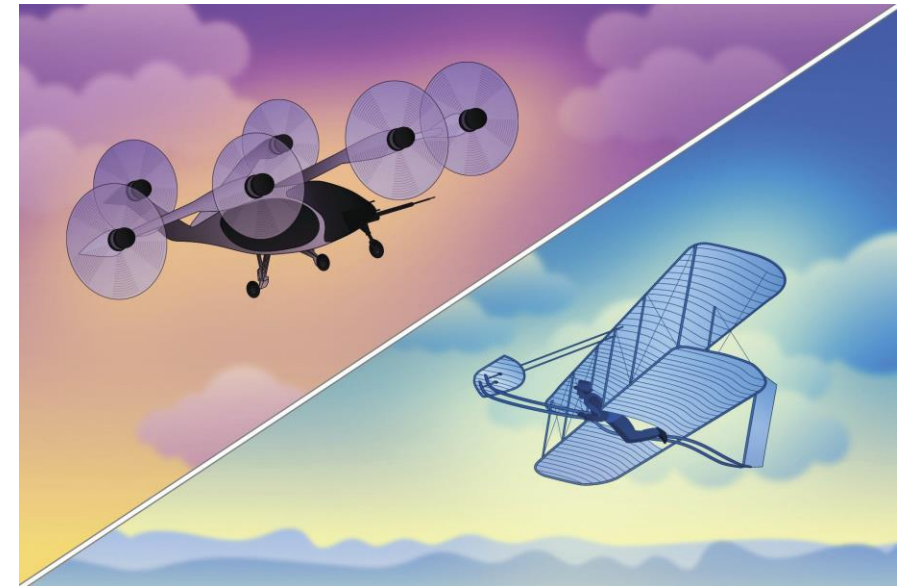


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Challenges ④ Promoting Demand & Supply

UAM Ecosystem



Pilot Training

Ultimately, it is expected that the existing pool of pilots will be utilized rather than new ones considering replaced by remote control/autonomous flight

Given the high labor costs of general aircraft pilots and the relatively higher fatigue of UAM pilots*, it is concerned that the supply of pilots will not be enough

* Frequent takeoffs and landings, absence of crew, etc

Time to gather wisdom to promote pilot supply

- 1) Recognition of UAM flight as Time Building to encourage mid-level pilots to apply
- 2) Support recruitment of retired pilots



Connection to Airport Airside

Establishing an efficient transfer system between UAM and existing aviation *to maximize the time-saving effect of the core route Airport Shuttle*

Fast Track can stimulate demand linked to existing aviation, expected to increase the Airport Shuttle market by 1.4 X*

* SKT's own analysis (Roland Berger)

Fast Track connected to Airport Airside requires the cooperation of multiple government departments and public institutions, including security/inspection/quarantine, space design, and cargo transportation



Pricing Autonomy

UAM also needs to operate a pricing strategy (discounts/surcharges/minimum fares) similar to existing airlines/taxis/trains.

[Example] Round-trip discounts, last-minute seat discounts, peak time surcharges, short-distance base fares, etc.

*Expect a revenue increase of about 25% by increasing UAM occupancy rates**

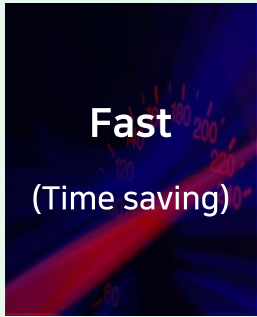
* SKT internal analysis (Roland Berger)

Granting fare autonomy to enable timely customer acquisition without compromising UAM's popularity

Challenges ⑤ More **Fast**, More **Safe**, More **Convenient** by AI

UAM Ecosystem

Customer Value



- Is there a vertiport nearby?
- Does UAM operate at the time I want?
- Does UAM seamlessly connect ground transportation?
- Can UAM respond to the traffic changes while you are on the move?



- Is the eVTOL safe?
- Will UAM be safe even in bad weather?
- Will UAM respond safely in a dangerous situation?



- Will it be convenient to make reservations/changes/cancellations/payments?
- Is the check-in/boarding process simpler than Legacy flights?
- Can I use mobile N/W during the flight? (work, media, shopping, etc.)
- Can it provide optimal recommendations related to the purpose of the trip? (rental car, accommodation, activities, etc.)

Solutions provided by SKT's AI Technology

- The optimal vertiport location through AI demand analysis (LITMUS)
- AI MaaS Platform (T map)
- UAM Operation Control system based on AI
- Supplementary Data Support system for UAM (Weather, Urban Spatial Information etc.)
- Aircraft Predictive Maintenance / Performance Mgmt.
- UAM Traffic Control based on AI
- Personalized Mobility App. (AI Agent A. & T map)
- Security Check and boarding process based on AI physical/information security
- Low-latency, high-quality 5G aerial network with AI Edge Infra
- AI recommendation services integrated with SKT membership/SKT subscription service

“Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go”

T. S. Eliot

Thank you

