



Innovation Licence

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1. GRANT OF LICENCE

Under the powers granted to it by the Telecommunications Law, the telecommunications Regulatory Authority (“TRA”) hereby grants **XXXXX**. (the “Licensee”) this Demonstration and Trial Licence (“**the Licence**” or “**the Innovation Licence**”) for a temporary period as specified in Clause 3 below.

The Licensee may, subject to the terms of this Licence, offer those services described in Annex 1 of this Licence (**‘the Trialed Service’**) to volunteer participants only. The number of participants shall not exceed 100 participants in total. This Licence does not allow the Licensee to deploy the Trialed Service on a commercial and/or operational basis.

The Licensee must give immediate notice to the TRA in writing of any change to the Licensee’s name and address from that recorded on the Licence. Any right, interest or entitlement resulting from this Innovation Licence is not transferable and may only be exercised by the person identified in the Licence document.

2. EQUIPMENT

The Licensee shall ensure that any equipment that it uses in the provision of the Trialed Service (**‘the Equipment’**) shall at all times comply with all applicable emission standards and technical specifications, or requirements as may be specified by the TRA from time to time. The TRA may include further specific conditions as a requirement of issuing this Licence in order to mitigate any interference risk.

The Licensee shall ensure that the Equipment does not cause harmful interference to any other licensed telecommunications service. In the event that the Equipment causes harmful interference, the Licensee will be in breach of this Licence and will be required to cease causing that interference. The TRA may require the Equipment, or any part thereof, to be modified or restricted in use, or temporarily or permanently closed down immediately. If the harmful interference persists, this Licence may be revoked unilaterally by the TRA by simple notice in writing to the Licensee.

The Licensee shall permit any person authorised by the TRA: i) to have access to the Equipment; and ii) to inspect the Equipment, at any and all reasonable times or, when in the opinion of that person an urgent situation exists, at any time to ensure that the Equipment is being used in accordance with the terms of this Licence.

The TRA reserves the right to impose fees on the Licensee to cover any costs that may be incurred by the TRA to deal with interference problems.

3. TERM

This Licence shall be valid for a period of **XX months** from the date of issuance. This Licence may not be renewed.

4. FREQUENCIES

Where the Trialed Service is dependent on the use of spectrum, the Licensee may, throughout the term of this Licence, use the range of frequencies listed in Annex 1. Provided that the Licence will be issued in

favour of the Licensee on a non-protected, non-interference basis; the TRA cannot guarantee protection against interference by the existing licensed users of the radio spectrum. Conversely, the Licensee must, at all times, take all the necessary precautions to ensure that no interference is experienced by existing spectrum users as a result of radio transmission using the Innovation Licence. If such interference does arise, operation of the system under trial will be required to cease immediately.

Past and present holders of Innovation Licence should not assume any preference should the specific frequency band used by them be issued for public assignment.

The TRA does not guarantee that spectrum will be available after the end of the term of this Licence to provide an operational and/or commercial service. This Innovation Licence will not convey any exclusive rights to the use of the spectrum, which is authorised under this Licence.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY & DATA PROTECTION

The Licensee must comply with all statutory requirements relating to maintaining confidentiality of the information of volunteer participants. Moreover, the Licensee may only process personal data of volunteer participants in accordance with the applicable statutory framework, including without limitation the Data Protection Act.

6. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The Licensee must immediately notify the TRA upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) Any change to the information provided to the TRA as part of the application process for the issuance of this Licence,
- (b) Any changes to the testing plan,
- (c) Any adverse event relating to the testing, including but not limited to, cyber security incidents, major operational issues, obstacles that have a major impact on the testing, any failure to comply with the applicable laws or this Licence.
- (d) The Licensee shall comply with any request for information that the TRA may from time to time make, in accordance with the Law.

The Innovation Licence requires Licensees to report back to the TRA on a quarterly basis and following the termination of the Licence. This feedback is to be provided in a format established by the TRA and is intended to provide the TRA with a better overview of the test or guidance notes grant of rights of use of Spectrum for trial Purposes, the particular technology, its successes or otherwise, and where it might have a bearing on interference or other spectrum management considerations.

7. TRANSPARENCY

The Licensee undertakes to provide details of the nature of the Trialed Service to volunteer customers including details of any risks associated with the use of the Trialed Service. In its dealings with volunteer customers, the Licensee shall at all times conduct itself in a transparent manner, with honesty and in good faith. No charges or fees shall be levied by the Licensee against the volunteer customers for the Trialed Service.

8. MARKETING

The Licensee may not, during the term of this Licence, market the Trialed Service as a licensed service but may describe itself as an “Authorised Regulatory Sandbox Participant”. Should the Licensee decide to commercially launch the Trialed Service in the Kingdom of Bahrain prior to the expiry of the **XX-month period**, this Innovation Licence would automatically become invalid and the Licensee would have to apply for all the necessary Licences and/or authorisations as defined in the Telecommunications Law.

The Licensee will not, unless it is already a licensed operator, otherwise hold itself out to be a licensee of the TRA.

The Licensee is not exempt from the obligation of obtaining, at its own expense, any permits, licences or other approval or authorisation that may be necessary to construct, operate and maintain the services (or any part thereof) or from the obligation of complying with any condition associated with such permits, licences, other approvals or authorisations.

9. TERMINATION OR AMENDMENT

The TRA may unilaterally terminate or amend the terms of this Licence by simple notice in writing in any of the following instances:

- (a) Where it determines that continued testing would (a) cause harm or pose a threat to the volunteer participants of the telecommunications sector; or (b) would run contrary to public policy objectives or interests; or (c) pose a risk to national security;
- (b) Innovation Licence may be terminated in advance by the Licensee should the required trialing be finalized before the assigned 11 months or with the consent of, the Licensee;
- (c) Where it is discovered that any of the information provided with the Licensee’s application is inaccurate or false; or
- (d) Where the Licensee has materially breached the obligations as contained in the Telecommunications Law or in this Innovation Licence.

10. ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

The services offered under this Innovation Licence must be at no cost to participating parties and the subject of a contract with third parties willing to trial the technology must, as a minimum, contain the following clauses:

- (a) The period over which the trial shall be carried out and/or the duration of the contract with the third party;
- (b) Details of the service being trialed, together with the risks and limitations of the services (e.g. inability to secure the service against unauthorised access);
- (c) That the third party is trialing the service at no added financial cost to himself and under no obligation to purchase the service;
- (d) That the third party is under the obligation not to use the Trial Service for commercial purposes; and
- (e) A liability clause stating any possible known risks and inconveniences involved with the trial being undertaken and the extend of responsibility of the Licensee with respect to these and other unknown risks and inconveniences.

Annex 1

TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT OF RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM FOR INNOVATION LICENCE

- 2.1 The Assigned Radio Frequency Spectrum means, unless otherwise specified below, the unpaired radio frequency band consisting of the range of radio frequencies between the upper and lower frequency limits of the radio frequency band specified in the table below:

Frequency Range, GHz	Purpose

Location:

Transmitting Power:

In case of any reported harmful interference to existing assignments in this band, the Licensee shall immediately cease the test and seek further guidance from the TRA.

- 2.2 Type of Technology and System being tested: