

Audio Market Disruption in Germany
10 years of DAB+ - a Decade of 'Radio Revolution'

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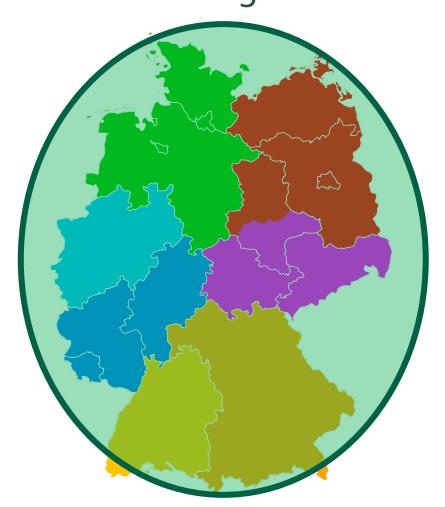
Today DAB+ in Germany is not just a technical evolution...

..it is also a true radio business revolution!

## And it's happening twice!

# DAB+ enables nationwide and new statewide radio broadcasting





Nationwide DAB+
82 million inhabitants



Statewide DAB+ in North Rhine-Westphalia
18 million inhabitants (larger than 21 of the 27 EU countries)



#### Nationwide DAB+ in Germany



#### The first DAB+ platform

> public & commercial radio broadcasters

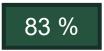
- 94 %
- On air since August 2011
- 13 channels



Technical reach (mobile outdoor)

#### The second DAB+ platform

- > Commercial radio broadcasters only
- On air since October 2020
- 15 channels



Technical reach (mobile outdoor)

→ Prior to 2011, nationwide radio did not exist in Germany!

(Exception: the public radio broadcaster Deutschlandfunk)



### Statewide DAB+ in North Rhine-Westphalia



The second DAB+ platform in NRW, but the first for commercial radio

- On air on 29. October 2021
- 16 channels



Technical reach (mobile outdoor)

## <u>DAB+ itself is a disruptive change in</u> the NRW radio market!

The radio-desert will turn into a radio-paradise

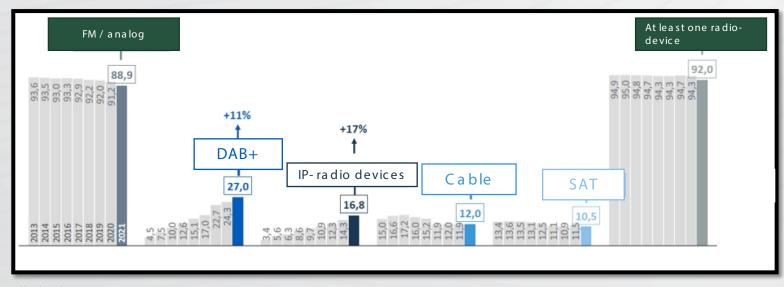
→ The radio landscape in NRW before: one public radio (WDR), 40+ local radio stations (FM only)





## Constantly Growing Number of DAB+ Households





Numbers in percent:

Basis: 39,676 / 39,866 / 40,072 / 39,372 / 39,672 / 40,219 / 40,350 / 40,684 / 40,768 Mio. households in Germany



Since end of 2020, a utomobile manufacturers are required by EU law to outfit new vehicles with radios capable of receiving DAB+broadcasts.



Important industry players are involved to build, manage and operate the new DAB+ platforms



#### The German radio market since 1986









→ Focus on local and regional radio markets



## Why WE invest in radio NOW



#### 1. Finally national brands!

- Establishment of national brands, programs and market-driven players
- Special interest programs are making commercially sense only on a nationwide basis







Germany's sports radio

Germany's radio for women

Germany's radio for drivers



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#### 2. Finally real national radio companies

• Complement of the local / regional oriented companies by new nationwide players, including market-driven marketers





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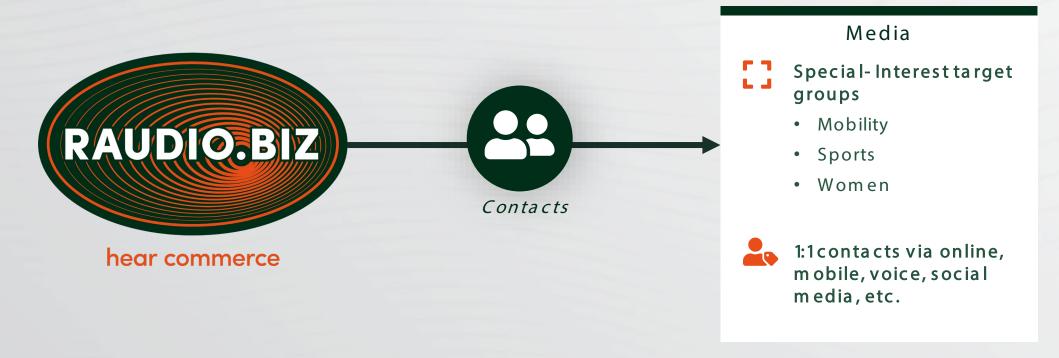




#### 3. From radio brands to audio brands

• Blending linear digital radio (both terrestric and online / mobile) with the new digital world of online, mobile, voice, social media, etc.

An exciting new opportunity for marketers and advertisers to get in touch with audio brand communities





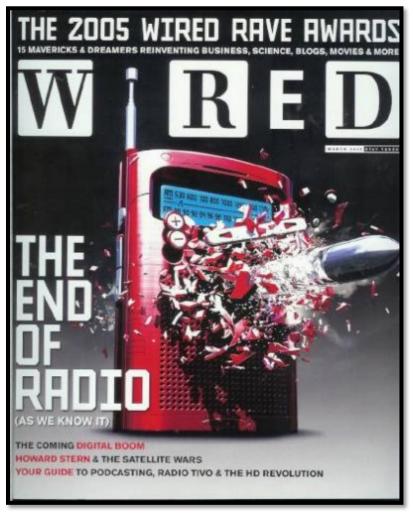
We create listener's communities and transform them into fans, users and customers!





## The revolution in Germany's radio market...





...is sparked off!