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In Italy, the TLC users pay a copper last mile fee of 150€/y, net of maintenance costs.

For 20m users, in 5 years, the grand total amounts to 15€b, well enough for a bottom-up FTTH, with the following characteristics:

- Full country coverage, with total copper switch-off and no digital divide whatsoever any longer;
- NO cost for the State;
- No incremental cost for the users;
- With the last mile becoming a user's property;
- With no regulation issue any longer about last mile access (according to an article on Telecommunication Policy of 1996, "Customer Ownership of the Local Loop");
- With the possibility of eliminating TV antennas from the roofs of all the buildings, thereby freeing of the TV spectrum for better purposes;
- With the possibility of opening private wi-fi devices to free external usage (given obvious service priority to the owner of the wi-fi device), thereby offering a very large wireless coverage too.

ANY PROVISION OF PUBLIC - i.e. citizens' - MONEY TO OPERATORS WOULD BE TWICE STUPID:

- It would entail an incremental cost for the users;
- It would not give them the property of the network.

PLEASE REFER ALSO TO THE FOLLOWING LINK:

Next Generation Network

http://stage.spaziopubblico.it/wiki/Next_Generation_Network

Switch-on della rete di nuova generazione in fibra ottica

Costa 12 miliardi di Euro: cosa fare? Coinvolgere 20 milioni di utenti a diventare proprietari del proprio ultimo miglio.

http://www.ybnd.eu/docs/Citizens_fiber.pdf