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### **More than 5b now have access to mobile services: GSMA**

More than five billion of the world's population are now connected to a mobile network, up from 4.6 billion at the end of 2015, according to a study from the GSM Association released at the United Nations this week.

### **ACMA expands telecommunications consumer consultative forum**

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) has expanded its Consumer Consultative Forum (CCF), with the appointment of eight new members.

### **Photonic chip to boost 5G networks, IoT and more**

A university developed photonic chip, which you'd think would be visual, can "harness sound waves to speed up local networks".

### **Australia's eftpos 'Tap & Pay' fast-tracks for transport**

Australia's debit network, eftpos, has announced it is "fast-tracking the enablement of eftpos Tap & Pay technology for use on buses, trains and ferries, following new consumer research that shows Australian commuters would prefer to pay for transport with eftpos debit".

## Uber launches 000 button in app for riders to 'improve safety'

Needing a safety button to call 000 in your app is a sad reflection upon the bad elements within society and their inhumanity, but even so, it's a good move from Uber to introduce it.

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