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#### **Abstract**

This report provides a brief overview of augmented reality (AR), some of the key players and its potential impact on the wireless market. AR technology promises to revolutionize merchandizing, education, military, health care, entertainment, gaming and travel experiences in the years ahead. The potential for AR is unlimited as it transforms the manner in which we view, access and present data. This capability, with the addition of new LTE network technology, will be revolutionary.

#### Key questions addressed:

- What is augmented reality (AR)?
- How did AR originate? How is it developing?
- Why should mobile operators be interested in AR?
- What are the benefits of AR?
- What are some of the challenges surrounding the implementation of AR?
- Who are the major AR players?
- What is the prognosis for AR adoption?

Who should read this report?

- Mobile operators
- Device OEMs
- Mobile applications and software developers
- Content providers and distributors
- Financial analysts and investors.