## Appendix

## **Definitions**

the communication is perfect. Values 0 and 5 are only theoretical and thus never show on the measurements. Data presented refers to average values per call.
Telephone calls successfully established by the network and between the two relevant ends ("The call reached the called terminal")
Telephone calls successfully established by the network but dropped during the conversational phase.
Telephone calls successfully established by the network and terminated normally.
Telephone calls not established between the two relevant ends ("The call did not reach the called terminal").
Calls that were dropped, either in the establishment phase or in the conversational phase.
Reasons leading to the communications drop. Out of service (no signal)
Network congestion.
Failure in the Radio link between the mobile terminal and the base station. It may occur when crossing a shadow zone of the network.
Other causes for call dropping.
Received Signal Strength Indication – Indicates the strength of the signal received at the mobile terminal.
<b>B</b> roadcast Control Channel – Routs information to all mobile terminals (MSs) served by a certain BTS ( <i>Base Transceiver Station</i> ). It is downlinked and carries several parameters, such as: CI ( <i>Cell Identity</i> ), LAC ( <i>Local Area Code</i> ), MCC ( <i>Mobile Country Code</i> ), MNC ( <i>Mobile Network Code</i> ), FH ( <i>Frequency Hopping</i> ) Algorithm.
Fixed Telephone Service.
Public Switched Telephone Network.