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A portrait of Professor Tetsuya Tanaka, a middle-aged man with dark hair and glasses, wearing a blue shirt and a dark jacket. He is looking slightly to the left. The background is a blurred natural setting with trees.

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The diagram illustrates a multi-layered technology stack converging into a central platform. The leftmost column defines the core transmission technologies and their value: increased capacity, longer optical coverage, low power consumption, and increasing added value. The main body of the diagram is a grid of specific technologies, including underwater acoustic communication, large-capacity wave propagation, scalable optical transport networks, terrestrial BT wireless, free-space optical communication, quantum secure optical transmission, extreme Li networks, and various optical network components. These technologies feed into a central 'User-centric AI-controlled wireless platform'. This platform is designed to support multiple types of waves: acoustic waves, radio waves, and light. The bottom of the diagram categorizes these into short-term, medium-term, and long-term results, and lists the final output categories: acoustic waves, radio waves, light, and quantum (photons).

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From De Jure to De Facto: Reframing Standardization Strategies in an Implementation-driven Era

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Standardization in telecommunications is undergoing a profound transition from institution-driven *de jure* processes to implementation-led *de facto* models. Cloud-native architectures, the heightened impact of hyperscalers, and accelerating pace of technological evolution continue to restructure communication infrastructures. As we approach the 6G (sixth-generation mobile communications network) era, cross-industry collaboration and implementation capability will become indispensable strategic foundations. This article analyzes the driving forces behind this transformation and identifies emerging challenges for standardization.