

## Press Release

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### **BEREC invites to its first public debriefing of 2021 on the outcomes of the 46<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting**

On 17 March 2021 BEREC will hold its public debriefing to present the 46th BEREC plenary meeting outcomes. Together with the Working Group Co-chairs the BEREC Chair 2021 Michel Van Bellinghen (BIPT, Belgium) will present the documents adopted for publication and public consultations. During the event the speakers will present the following documents:

- BEREC Opinion on the revision of the BCRD;
- For a swift, effective and future-proof regulatory intervention: BEREC Opinion on the European Commission's proposal for a Digital Markets Act;
- BEREC Guidelines on Geographical surveys of network deployments regarding the consistent implementation of Article 22 (2), 22 (3) and 22 (4).

BEREC Chair Michel Van Bellinghen (BIPT, Belgium) emphasizes: **“There is a large array of areas where BEREC’s expertise offers an added value in providing advice and cooperation. The new legislative initiatives or review of existing legislation by the European Commission require our long-standing experience.”**

BEREC Chair will also launch the public consultations on the following documents:

- Draft BEREC Report on the harmonised definitions for indicators regarding OTT services, relevant to electronic communication markets;
- Draft BEREC Report on the ex-ante regulation of digital gatekeepers;
- Draft BEREC Report on how to handle third-party payment charges on mobile phone bills.

The incoming BEREC Chair 2022 Annemarie Sipkes (ACM, the Netherlands) will join the speakers to invite stakeholders for their early contributions to the BEREC Work Programme 2022. She will also invite to participate at the 9<sup>th</sup> BEREC Stakeholder Forum. It will be an online event, taking place on 1 April 2021.

The documents adopted by BEREC will be available on the BEREC website a day before the public debriefing – 16 March 2021. It will enable stakeholders to prepare questions to the speakers in advance. The list of publicly available documents will be available on the BEREC website.

**IMPORTANT:** The event will be online, and the stakeholders are invited to register their interest to participate and ask questions in the registration form. The event will be streamed via dedicated streaming platform, also providing the live captioning. On the day of the event, the link to the public debriefing will be published on the BEREC website. The registered participants will receive detailed instructions on the use of the streaming platform for engagement purposes during the event.

Participants are welcome to ask questions to the speakers during the event. For that reasons there will be a live Q&A chat-box. Questions that are more complex shall be sent in advance, by **15 March 2021** EoB, to [press@berec.europa.eu](mailto:press@berec.europa.eu). Those questions will be answered during the Q&A sessions.

Requests for interview with BEREC Chair: email details of your request (your name, media organisation and the subject of your interview) to [press@berec.europa.eu](mailto:press@berec.europa.eu) prior to the event.

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