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BEREC-EMERG-EaPeReg-REGULATEL MEET IN BARCELONA, IN JULY, TO DISCUSS ABOUT THE CHALLENGES FOR TELECOMS

The BEREC-EMERG-EaPeReg-REGULATEL Summit, will take place on the 2nd and 3rd July 2015, in Barcelona, Spain, being the Spain's National Authority on Markets and Competition (CNMC) the hosting NRA of this event.

This is the first time High Level representatives from <u>BEREC</u>, EMERG, Regulatel and EaPeReg meet together to enhance the regulatory dialogue between the European NRAs and the counterparts from the MENA countries, Latin America and the Eastern Partnership.

The Summit will be a valuable opportunity to discuss about the more significant aspects of the sectorial regulation and it will ultimately to the promotion of future institutional cooperation initiatives.

Under the title "Challenges for telecoms in the new Internet Ecosystem", the discussion will be articulated around three issues:

- The internet ecosystem: challenges for the regulation.
- Broadband: Access and connectivity, new generation networks and the deployment in rural and remote areas.
- Broadband services and quality standards from the consumer's point of view.

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NOTE TO THE EDITOR

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