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# Report on contractual simplification for public consultation



#### Report on contractual simplification

- Collate information on practices and initiatives in Member States to prescribe key information elements for contracts
- Provide relevant information that NRAs can use or refer to for any initiatives they may undertake to simplify consumer contracts
- Basis for BEREC's input to the Commission's implementing act prescribing a contract summary template



- In several MS measures and initiatives had been taken to clarify matters in consumer contracts
- This report represents an aggregation of the responses received from NRAs by collating the information received and highlighting the key informations:
  - The identity of the trader
  - The main characteristics of each service provided
  - The price for each service provided
  - The duration of the contract and the conditions for its renewal and termination
  - Quality of Service
  - Compensation and refund arrangements
  - Additional information elements, such as personal data processing, complaint handling procedures, etc.



**Next Steps** 

- Report published for public consultation
  - Deadline for submissions 14.00 pm (CET) Wednesday 7 November
- [Q1 2019] EU Commission to seek BEREC's input as it prepares its Implementing Acts specifying a contract summary template
- [Q2 2019] BEREC provides input to EU Commission



# Report on the implementation of the NN Regulation



#### Scope of the report

- Overview of the activities of the NRAs in the course of implementing the net neutrality provisions of Regulation (EU) 2015/2120 and associated BEREC Net Neutrality Guidelines.
- Reporting period: 1 May 2017 to 30 April 2018 (second year of the application of the Regulation)



- Zero-rating offers in almost all countries (27): music/video streaming and social networking most frequently mentioned
- In no country a Zero-Rating product was banned based on Art. 3(2) alone, but most assessments of Zero-Rating products were done on the basis of traffic management rules (Art. 3(3)), e.g. there were some offers that allowed access to zero-rated services after the data cap had been reached
- Traffic management practices were assessed formally by 11 NRAs
- Ongoing monitoring activities for investigating so-called "specialised services"



- With regard to the types of speed-related information required under Article 4 there are different national specifications (15 NRAs)
- In almost half of the countries, ISPs have not yet included required speed information in their contracts
- Most NRAs monitor end-user complaints about the performance of the internet access service
- Two out of three NRAs offer an internet access service quality monitoring mechanism to consumers



#### NN – What's next?

#### What's next?

- Ongoing exchange about cases within the Net Neutrality Expert Working Group to contribute to a coherent application of the Regulation
- BEREC Opinion on the evaluation of the NN Regulation
  - Publication in Plenary 4



# Public consultation on Data Economy

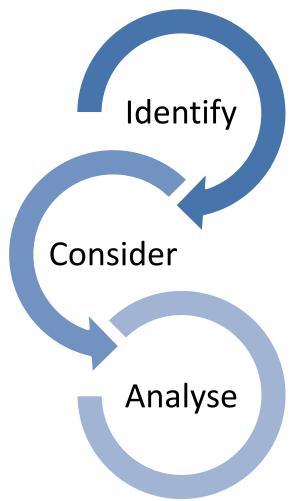


#### Public consultation on Data Economy – Participate!





#### Public consultation on Data Economy - Objectives



 Issues for NRAs in relation to the transition towards a data-driven economy in Europe

- Interrelations with ex-post regulatory activities and the work of other institutional bodies
- Impact of data on our sector
- Potential influence on NRA's market analyses.



- Definition of the data economy and taxonomy
  - E.g. economic characteristics competition concerns
- ECS as enabling factor for the data economy
  - E.g. relevant parameters for the development, potential bottlenecks
- Impact of the data economy on competition for ECS markets and the relevance for the ECS value chain
  - Commercialisation of data by ECS providers and cross-sectorial initiatives
  - Leverage of market power and conglomerate effects, and other potential competition issues derived from the use of data
  - Opportunities and risks for consumers
- NRAs ECS regulatory activity and experiences in the context of the data economy



# Draft BEREC Work Programme 2019



#### Key themes for WP 2019

- Longer term planning 2 year timeframe
- Harmonising implementation of the new Code and other legislation, using expertise from national regulators
- **Continuing to look forward**, identifying and addressing issues for the future
- **Collaborating** with stakeholders, in the EU and further afield



#### Harmonising implementation

- 12 sets of guidelines including
  - Update to BEREC guidelines on **net neutrality**
  - Guidelines related to intra-EU calls and SMS
  - Guidelines related to co-investment
  - Guidelines related to symmetric access
- 8 opinions to the Commission including
  - Opinion on functioning of the roaming market
  - Opinion on contract summary template for consumer contracts
- 3 databases
- Experience sharing workshops



#### Looking forward

- Reports and studies include
  - Issues arising from the impact of 5G on regulation and the role of regulation in enabling the 5G ecosystem
  - Study on dynamics of investment in connectivity via very high capacity networks
  - Finalising report on the data economy
- Workshops include
  - Towards a vision for Europe's telecom consumers
  - Migration from legacy infrastructures to fibre based networks



#### Collaborating with stakeholders

- Supporting stakeholders in the EU including
  - The Commission
  - RSPG
  - Other EU institutions and bodies
- Dialogue with international colleagues, especially in the Western Balkans



Next steps

- Public consultation from 10 October 7 November
- Draft Work Programme updated
- Final version of 2019 Work Programme published in December
- Outline Work Programme for 2020 published next January



# **International Activities**



#### Cooperation with CRTC (Canadian Regulator)





# **Other outcomes**

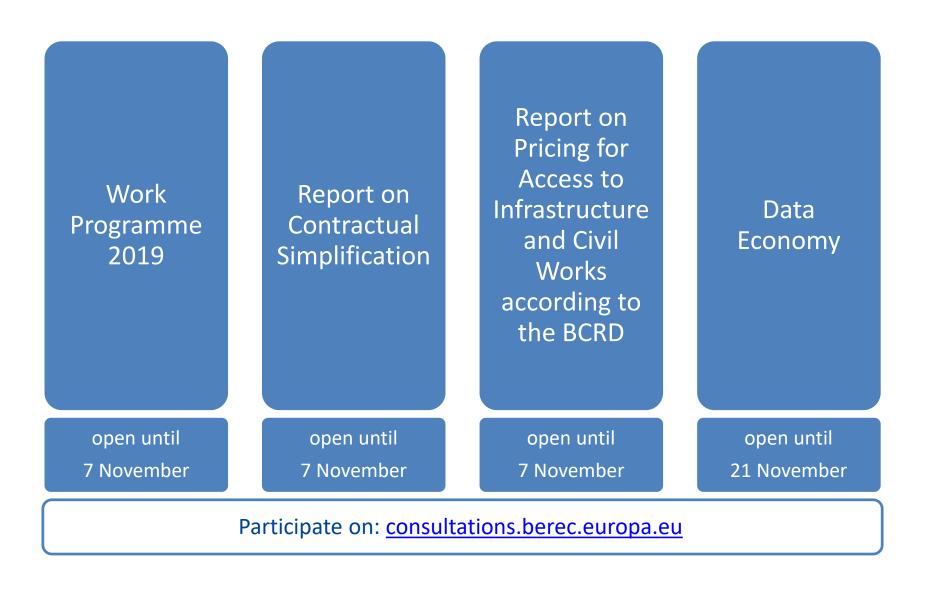


#### Other documents adopted

- International Roaming BEREC Benchmark Data Report (Period: October 2017 – March 2018)
- BEREC Report on the Location of the Network Termination Point
- BEREC Report on European Benchmark of the Pricing of Bundles -Methodology Guidelines
- BEREC Input to the EC on WACC
- BEREC Open Data Policy
- BEREC Report on Pricing for Access to Infrastructure and Civil Works
  according to the BCRD
- BEREC Report on International Mission to Canada and the US



#### **Overview Public Consultations**





# What's next?



#### Outlook

- BEREC Stakeholder Forum: 17 October 2018
  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bqQWazfFBjk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bqQWazfFBjk</a>
- Next Plenary: 6-7 December 2018 in Prague
- Next Public Debriefing: 12 December 2018



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