

Agenda

BEREC Stakeholder Forum

17 October 2018, Brussels

Location:	Le Plaza Hotel	
	Boulevard Adolphe Max 118-126	
	1000 Brussels	
Date & Time:	17 October 2018	12.30-18.00

12.30-13.30 Lunch and Registration

13.30 Start of Meeting

13.30 -13.45 Opening remarks

Mr. Johannes Gungl, BEREC Chair 2018

13.45-14:35 Draft BEREC WP 2019

Mr. Jeremy Godfrey, BEREC Vice-Chair 2018 (Incoming BEREC Chair 2019)

Discussion

14.35-15:35 Panel I: BEREC effectiveness & stakeholder engagement

2018 has been an important year for BEREC as it has continued to progress its interactions with stakeholders, amongst other things. For example, BEREC adopted an online consultation platform for receiving submissions on its draft Work Programme 2019 in April. In addition BEREC has also strengthened bilateral relations with other regulators outside Europe. For example, a Memorandum of Understanding between BEREC and the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India ("TRAI") was adopted in June. But what are the criteria that BEREC's stakeholders use to assess whether it has been successful? What ideas do stakeholders have about how it can optimize its stakeholder engagement? What information do stakeholders expect from BEREC and how should it communicate and cooperate with them?

The purpose of this session is to generate ideas for the Board of Regulators to reflect on, so that BEREC can boost its stakeholder engagement as part of fulfilling its duties under the European Electronic Communications Code. In this session for example, you

will hear from differing perspectives including some theoretical and practical examples of communications in networked agencies, and stakeholder perceptions about BEREC's strengths and weaknesses in this regard.

Moderator

Philippe Defraigne, Director, Cullen International

Speakers

- *Mr. Kevin Martin, Mobile and Global Access Policy, Facebook*
- *Mr. Daniel Pataki, Vice President, Policy and Regulation, GSMA*
- *Prof. David Coen, Director School of Public Policy Institute, University College London*
- *Ms. Ursula Pahl, Deputy Director General, The European Consumer Organisation*

Discussion and Q&A with presenters

15.35-16.00	Coffee break
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16.00-17:30

Panel II: Efficient Investment in the European telecoms sector

The European Electronic Communications Code adds an objective for BEREC, the Commission and Member States to promote connectivity, access, and take-up of very high capacity networks (VHCNs) by citizens and businesses in the EU. Together with the existing objectives of creating the conditions for investment in the telecommunications sector, promoting competition, promoting the internal market and optimising end-user welfare, the scene is set for European telecoms to address future challenges.

The purpose of this session is to explore the complex interplay between efficient investment, promotion of competition and consumer benefits. A noteworthy starting point is try to build a collective understanding of the underlying factors that promote efficient investment in European telecoms. Therefore, in the session you will hear practical examples of what attracts an investor to telecoms rather than to other regulated/unregulated markets, what considerations does a transnational company take when investing between markets and sectors in different geographical regions, and views on how European telecoms investment opportunities rank in a global setting.

Moderator

Tony Shortall, Director, Telage

Introductory Keynote

Prof. Emanuele Tarantino, Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Mannheim

Speakers

- *Dr. Jonathan Dann, Managing Director Capital Markets, RBC*
- *Mr. Frank Sixt, Group Finance Director and Deputy Managing Director, Hutchison Whampoa*
- *Dr. Martin Wrulich, Partner, McKinsey*
- *Ms. Gabrielle Gauthey, Directrice, Direction des Investissements et du Développement Local, Caisse des Dépôts*
- *Prof. Emanuele Tarantino, Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Mannheim*

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17.30-17.45

Contribution by European Commission

Mr. Roberto Viola, Director General, Communications Networks, Content and Technology

17.45-18.00

Closing remarks and Conference wrap

Mr. Johannes Gungl, BEREC Chair 2018

18.00

Networking reception