ERG 22nd Plenary Meeting

Date and time:11 - 12 October 2007Venue:Athens, Greece

Conclusions

1.	Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda	ERG (07) 50
	The agenda was adopted.	
2.	Information from the ERG Chair	ERG (07) 51
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a. Records of significant meetings and activities conducted by Roberto Viola b. Setup of the new Chair's Secretariat.

> The Plenary took note of the document.

3. Harmonization and Remedies (OFCOM/CMT/ARCEP)

a. Remedies Coordination (OFCOM/CMT)

Background

OFCOM will update on recent activities conducted for the "Monitoring of Application of ERG Common Positions" (circulation of the monitoring questionnaire among National Regulatory Authorities - NRAs - and the results of the process) and will submit proposals for next steps.

> The Plenary took note and approved the next steps.

b. Wholesale Broadband Access/Wholesale Local Access (ARCEP) ERG (07) 53

Background

ARCEP will provide an update on the activities of the Wholesale Broadband Access/Wholesale Local Access Project Team and will submit an interim document containing preliminary statements.

The Plenary took note of the interim report and approved the next steps. The PT was asked to include all positions for best practice and let the Plenary decide.

c. Wholesale Leased Lines Project Team (OFCOM) ERG (07) 54

OFCOM will present the draft Common Position on Wholesale Leased Lines.

The Plenary approved the document for consultation – subject to written comments.

4. International Roaming Regulation (ERG Chair/OFCOM)

Background

ERG Chair will provide an update on the public event with the Commission held in Brussels on 4 October.

OFCOM will provide an update on the implementation of the International Roaming Regulation in Member States following the ad-hoc request and on the consultations on the first two releases of the guidelines and the data monitoring template.

The Plenary was informed about the press conference and that the data collection is about to start soon. The data model template was approved. An ERG report will be published at the end of 2007.

5. Voice over Internet Protocol (AGCOM)

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Background

AGCOM will submit a draft Common Position developed by the High Level Task Force on Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP), to be issued for public consultation.

The Plenary approved the document for consultation – subject to written comments.

6. Fixed /Mobile Termination (AGCOM/ARCEP)

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Background

ARCEP will submit a revised Project Requirement Document for extending the mandate of the group to cost modelling, as decided at the mini Plenary of 3 Sept, and an interim report on convergence to symmetry.

AGCOM will submit an interim report on regulation of alternative operators' fixed termination rates and will update on the development of a cost model.

> The Plenary took note of the two interim reports and approved the PRD.

7. Mobile Termination Rates and Short Messaging Service Termination benchmark (PTS)

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Background

PTS will submit updated internal Mobile Termination Rates and Short Messaging Service (SMS) Termination Rates benchmarks and the Mobile Termination Rates snapshot as of 1 July 2007 for publication.

➤ The Plenary took note of the two benchmarks (for internal use only) and approved the MTR snapshot for publication.

8. Next Generation Access (BNetzA)

Background

BNetzA will provide an update on the ERG Opinion/Common Position on Regulatory Principles of Next Generation Access (NGA) released to the European Commission after the written procedure results, and submit a Consultation Summary/Supplementary Document to the Next Generation Access Opinion/Common Position.

The Plenary approved the Supplementary Document (incl. the consultation summary) for publication.

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9. Convergence (CMT)

Background

CMT will provide an update on the activities of the group and present an interim report.

> The Plenary took note of the interim report.

10. Information from the Commission

Background

This item is to give the opportunity for the European Commission to update the Plenary about any significant developments not already mentioned.

➤ The Plenary shared views on the forthcoming European Commission's proposals for the review of the EU framework and of the Recommendation on Relevant Markets, the Telefonica-case and took note of the latest COCOM and Art. 7 developments.

11. Work Programme and meetings in 2008 (Chair 2008) ERG (07) 65

Background

NCAH will provide an update on the process for the definition of the Work Programme 2008 and on the calendar of meetings. A final draft of work program will be submitted for approval and publication for consultation.

> The Plenary approved the draft WP 2008 for consultation – subject to written comments.

12. AOB

a. BAKOM will give an update on the development of international roaming in Switzerland, after the introduction of the International Roaming Regulation.

b. Info on next ERG Plenary meeting: 6-7 December 2007, Rome. A joint meeting with the MEDA regulators will be held on the afternoon of the 5th.

c. Info on the Capri ERG-EPRA Workshop on Convergence (Capri, 18-19 October).

> The Plenary took note.

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