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BEREC elects its Board for 2014, and adopts its work programme for 2014

Fatima Barros, President of Portuguese regulator ANACOM, has been elected BEREC Chair for 2015. For the year before the start of her term, Mrs Barros will serve as a Vice Chair on the BEREC Board alongside **Goran Marby**, President of Swedish regulator PTS, who will serve as BEREC Chair in 2014. They will be joined by three new Board members: **Jack Hamande** (BIPT, Belgium), **Domagoj Jurjevic** (HAKOM, Croatia), and **Asta Sihvonen-Punkka** (FICORA, Finland).

At its Plenary meeting on 5-6 December in Budapest, BEREC also adopted its <u>work</u> <u>programme for 2014</u>, which will include providing an opinion to the Commission on its review of the Recommendation on Relevant Markets, and the launch of the monitoring of NRAs' implementation of BEREC common positions.

BEREC published its <u>termination rate benchmark snapshot</u>, together with a <u>report on</u> <u>transparency and comparability of different roaming tariffs</u> and launched a public consultation on a review of its common position on geographic aspects of market regulation.

This was the last Plenary meeting under the chairmanship of **Leonidas Kanellos**, outgoing President of EETT.

Budapest, 5 December 2013

NOTE TO THE EDITOR:

BEREC is composed of a Board of Regulators consisting of the Heads of the 27 national regulatory authorities (NRAs). BEREC advises the European Commission and its member NRAs, and assists the European Parliament and Council, on issues related to the application of the EU regulatory framework for electronic communications. BEREC seeks to ensure fair competition and consistency of regulation in the internal market for electronic communications, for the benefit of European consumers. In particular, it provides expert advice on market definitions, analysis and remedies, on the definition of transnational markets, and on cross-border disputes and numbering issues. BEREC also provides expert opinions on emerging challenges including the promotion of broadband, net neutrality and converging markets, and plays an active role in public discussions on these issues.