







BEREC – EMERG – EAPEREG - REGULATEL SUMMIT CHALLENGES FOR TELECOMS IN THE NEW INTERNET ECOSYSTEM

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BEREC (the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications) and its counterparts from EaPeReg (Eastern Partnership Electronic Communications Regulators Network), REGULATEL (Latin American Forum of Telecommunications Regulators) and EMERG (Euro-Mediterranean Regulators Group) have met in Barcelona, on the 2nd and 3rd July, for the high level BEREC-EMERG-EaPeReg-REGULATEL Summit, to discuss the current challenges for the electronic communications sector in the new Internet ecosystem. Representatives from the European Commission and from the BEREC Office were also present. The meeting has been hosting by the Spanish National Authority For Markets and Competition (CNMC).

The debate was based on three different sessions, addressing the following topics:

- The Internet ecosystem: challenges to regulation
- Broadband: Access and connectivity, NGNs and deployment in rural and remote areas; and
- Broadband services and quality standards from the consumers' perspective.

At the end of the Summit the participants adopted a joint declaration, which can be consulted <u>here</u>.

Participants agreed on the added value of maintaining this cooperative regulatory dialogue between Europe and other regions of the World, namely Latin America, North Africa and Middle East, as well as the Eastern Europe, aiming at exploring ways to promote future joint working groups, as well as to have such a similar Summit in the future.

Barcelona, 3 July 2015