

AGENDA

Understanding digital technologies sufficiency for greener networks and ICTs

Location:	Hybrid meeting IRG Premises 14 Rue de la Science, Brussels
Date & Time:	September, 16 th , 2026 10.00 - 16.00 CEST
WebEx Link	TBD

16 September 2026

As part of its work programme 2026, BEREC organizes the external workshop “Understanding digital technologies sufficiency for greener networks and ICTs”.

The workshop will bring together key stakeholders including Academia, regulators, industry representatives, national environmental agencies, environmental experts, and international bodies. Discussions will focus on the four dimensions of sufficiency: hardware, software, user and economic sufficiency. Topics to be discussed include:

- The role of sufficiency in fostering the twin transition to sustainable digitisation and how it differs from efficiency*
- Understanding the four dimensions of sufficiency and their implications for networks and ICTs*
- Practical approaches to implementing digital sufficiency and associated challenges*
- The interplay between regulatory frameworks, industry initiatives, and collaborative efforts in achieving sufficiency goals.*

The workshop will be open to external stakeholders. A recording will be published on the BEREC public YouTube channel for a wider outreach.

From 09.30: Arrival of the participants // Getting connected to WebEx

10.00	Start of Workshop
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10.00-10.10 **Welcome by Incoming BEREC Chair 2027, Alejandra de Iturriaga Gandini**
Director of Telecommunications and Audiovisual Sector at the CNMC
(Comisión Nacional de los Mercados y la Competencia)

10.10-10.15 **Introduction by BEREC Co-chairs of BEREC Sustainability working group**
Mary Sarantopoulou (EETT) and Tom Nico (Arcep)

10.15-10.35 Presentation from the European Commission on EU study on “Assessing Net Climate Impact of Digital Infrastructures”
Gabriel Carlin, DG CNECT

10.35-10.55 Presentation from the European Environmental Bureau (EEB)
Diego Marin, Senior Policy Officer for Raw Materials and Resource Justice

10:55-11.10 Q/A session

10-minutes coffee break

11.20-13.00	Presentation of existing initiatives from academia and institutions
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11:20 -11.40 Use Intensification vs. Sufficiency: the Role of Interface Design

Anaëlle Beignon, Interaction Designer, PHD Student at Strasbourg University,
Aurélien Tabard, Associate Professor, LIRIS, Université Lyon 1 & CNRS
(Limites Numériques project)

11:40 -12.00 Digital sufficiency: A new perspective on digitalisation as a driver for sustainability

Vivian Frick, on the institute's for Ecological Economy Research work on digital technologies and sufficiency

12:00 -12.40 Alt Impact: towards real Green IT deploying digital sufficiency

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12.40-13.00 Q&A session

1-hour lunch break

14.00-16.00 Roundtable: “Beyond efficiency: how to deploy sufficiency in ICTs?”

- Moderation: Bianca Sofian (Cullen)
- Panellists:
 - Agnès Crépet (Fairphone)
 - Benjamin Schwarz (Greening of Streaming)
 - Samuel Sauvage (Halte à l’Obsolescence Programmée)

15.50 – 16.00 Closing remarks

16.00 End of the Workshop

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