

NOTICE

for the launch of public consultation on the draft BEREC medium term strategy outlook

During its 9th plenary meeting held in Bucharest on 8 and 9 December 2011, the Board of Regulators held an extensive discussion on setting up BEREC's strategy outlook for the coming 3-5 years, which will further enhance its effectiveness.

BEREC's task is to promote the consistent application of the regulatory framework and thereby contribute to the development of the internal market for electronic communications. In doing so, BEREC has the objective to further promote the growth and innovation in the EU. BEREC is confident that it can also provide considerable expertise and professional advice on European policy initiatives and related debates in the electronic communications sector.

As proposed in the draft strategy, the main focus of BEREC in medium term will be on its contribution to the realisation of the internal market. Furthermore, issues such as convergence, the increasing importance of consumer empowerment and IP-related regulation have been identified as key areas for BEREC's activity during the next 3-5 years.

Taking into account the fact that all these topics have direct impact on the industry, the EU citizens and the policy developments not only in the telecom field, the Board of Regulators decided to consult the stakeholders on its draft strategy outlook.

The role of the public consultation is to increase transparency and to provide BEREC with valuable feedback from all parties concerned on the proposed strategy. In accordance with BEREC's policy on public consultation, BEREC will publish a summary of all contributions received and an explanation as to how the views expressed were taken into account in the final document, taking into account any confidentiality requests submitted.

All individual contributions will also be published on the BEREC website, subject to any explicit requests for non-publication due to confidentiality or other reasons.

Stakeholders are invited to send their answers **by 16th January 2012** to e-mail: berec@berec.europa.eu

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