
Outcomes from the 12th BEREC Plenary meetings

27-28 September 2012, Limassol

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BEREC Chairman 2012

Delivered: Revision of Broadband Common Positions completed

- 3 Revised Common Positions on:
 - wholesale local access (WLA), wholesale broadband access (WBA), wholesale leased lines (WLL)
- Reasons:
 - technological developments (NGA rollout)
 - regulatory developments, EU-Framework revisions
- Results:
 - consistency with BEREC consultation responses to EC Draft Reco on non-discrimination and cost methodologies for NGA
- already open now for consultation till 18 October 2012

Delivered: International Roaming – Guidelines Art 3 and Opinion Art 5

- adoption of BEREC Guidelines for MNO's on
 - wholesale access obligations (for both MNO's as well as access seekers)
 - apply to regulated roaming services within EEA
 - although not legally binding, “utmost account rule” applies with burden of explanation for objective reasons for deviation
- BEREC Opinion on EC Implementing acts (Art 5)
 - detailed rules on the information obligations and on technical solution for separate sale of roaming services
 - aim: to ensure consistent and simultaneous implementation across EU. Guidelines Document for application of Art 5 to follow soon.

International Roaming – summaries of responses

- summary of responses on Art 3
 - 38 stakeholder inputs received and used for final version of Art 3 Guidelines
 - high consistency among MNO's as well as among access seekers
- analysis of choices for decoupling method for Art 4 and 5 provided and consulted:
 - responses to be used to get feedback for decoupling method
 - valuable input for opinion on Art 5
 - EC to provide Implementing Acts based on BEREC Opinion
 - both summaries to be published

Delivered: Report on Regulatory Accounting

- Target: to provide a factual overview on accounting frameworks used across Europe
 - prepared annually since 2005
 - concentrates its analysis on 4 key wholesale markets:
 - Wholesale line rental, Unbundled access, Broadband access, Leased lines terminating segments
- Findings:
 - clear preference for price control methods
 - stable use of Cost base and accounting methods
 - high grade of harmonisation, 2009 Termination reco is widely used
 - to be published

Delivered: Report on mobile Broadband tariffs

- Target: to conduct an analysis of tariffs on market to differentiate services for benchmarking of mobile BB subscriptions across Europe
- Key findings:
 - strong differences Business and Residential (volume and price)
 - prepayed contracts offer less volume and bundling
 - download volume caps set price
 - higher speed mostly linked with high download volumes
 - USB/Dongle solutions offer higher volume than for smartphones
 - volume capped tariffs represent more than 90% of market
 - bundling clearly matters for comparison exercise

Delivered: Opinion on Art 28 (2) USD, harmonised cooperation process

- Theme: blocking numbers or access to services because of misuse or fraud and require to withhold interconnection or service revenues
- Task: objectives of the process in connection with fraud or misuse and how to implement it in a practical manner
- Key findings: sets out measures operators and users could take to protect themselves from incidents of fraud or misuse
- Internal Fraud workshop conducted
- Opinion to be published for consultation from tomorrow, inputs from stakeholders sought

Art 7 Phase II cases positively carried out

- significant number of cases already concluded
 - expert Groups and BEREC BoR managed for smooth and timely functioning, also in combined cases
 - all opinions issued created a respected standpoint
 - some cases led to common statement of parties involved
 - some cases led to withdrawal of notification and reopening of case
- work performed creates a reliable basis for future cases
- slight adaptations in internal procedure envisaged

BEREC Work Programme 2013

- 3 main themes:
 1. Boosting the roll-out of Next Generation Networks
 - monitoring wholesale CP, Guidelines key access products, emerging challenges IP Interconnect,...
 2. Consumer empowerment and protection
 - Report on platform measuring BB-services, consumers incentive driving NN developments, specs to implement Transparency Guidelines,...
 3. Services: boosting the internal market
 - Guidelines on roaming decoupling methods, reports on transparency and comparability on Roaming tariffs
 - „Traditional“ work: Art 7/7a, International cooperation, Stakeholder dialogue; **public hearing 15 October 2012, Brussels**

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01 October 2012

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Debriefing from the 12th plenary in Belgium
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consistent, high-quality regulation of
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BEREC documents approved for publication

1. **BEREC Guidelines:**

[BEREC Guidelines on the application of Art. 3 of the Roaming Regulation-wholesale roaming access](#)

2. **BEREC Opinions:**

- [Roaming Regulation – choice of the decoupling method: BEREC opinion on Art. 5 Implementing Act](#)
- [BEREC Opinion on the draft revision of the EU Guidelines for the application of state aid rules in relation to the rapid deployment of broadband networks](#)

3. **BEREC Reports:**

- [Report on mobile broadband tariff benchmarking;](#)
- [Termination rates benchmark snapshot as of July 2012;](#)
- [BEREC Report on the Regulatory Accounting in Practice 2012;](#)
- [BEREC Report on the results from the public consultation on issues relating to non-discrimination;](#)
- [International Roaming - consultation on Article 3 Guidelines: Summary of responses received during the public consultation and BEREC view on the issues raised by stakeholders;](#)
- [Roaming Regulation - choice of the decoupling method: Summary of responses received during the public consultation and BEREC view on the issues raised by stakeholders.](#)

BEREC documents approved for public consultation

Draft BEREC Work Programme 2013 (till 26 Oct 2012)	BoR (12) 92
Draft BEREC revised CP on wholesale leased lines (till 18 Oct 2012)	BoR (12) 83
Draft BEREC revised CP on wholesale local access (till 18 Oct 2012)	BoR (12) 104
Draft BEREC revised CP on wholesale broadband access (till 18 Oct 2012)	BoR (12) 88
BEREC Consultation paper on Art 28(2) USD cooperation process (from 5 Oct 2012)	BoR (12) 85

Management Committee

- BEREC Office Work programme approved
- 2012 BEREC Office budgetary issues
- BEREC Office mission statement approved

Next BEREC Meetings

BEREC Board of Regulators and
BEREC Management Committee Meeting
December 06-07, 2012

Dr Georg Serentschy, BEREC Chairman 2012