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# Draft Work Programme 2013

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## Main principles

- Following the BEREC Medium Term Strategy (2/2012)
  - Promote the consistent application of the European Regulatory Framework.
  - Support the DAE-2020 objectives.
  - Provide expertise and professional advice to the European Institutions.
  - Respond timely to Article 7/7a cases and any ad-hoc requests.
  
- Review of work midway through the year, to reassess priorities and allocation of resources.

## Thematic areas of work

- Boosting the roll out of Next Generation Networks
- Consumer empowerment and protection
- Boosting the internal market
- Other internal and external activities

## Boosting the roll out of Next Generation Networks

Support the promotion of sustainable and efficient investment and competition in high speed broadband infrastructure and services.

- Methodology for monitoring the application of Common Positions on WLA, WBA, WLL
- Costing principles in an emerging NGA environment
  - Opinion on draft Recommendation
  - Guidelines for the implementation of the Recommendation (if needed)

## Boosting the roll out of Next Generation Networks (2)

- Emerging challenges in an NGN/ NGA environment:
  - Next Generation Networks and IP interconnection
  - Effective regulation in a NGA environment
- Revise Common Position on Geographic Aspects of Market Analysis
- Continue co-operation with the RSPG, on the effective utilisation of the radio spectrum.

## Costing principles in a NGA environment

- Major challenge for Regulators.
  - NRAs need to send the right signals to all stakeholders.
  - NGA networks change the market conditions and introduce increased complexity & uncertainty.
- EC announced Recommendation on key access products.
- BEREC actively participates in this dialogue: the costing principles & their implementation should contribute to enhancing competition, and encourage investments & innovation.
  - Opinion to draft Recommendation.
  - Implementation guidelines, if appropriate.

## Consumer empowerment and protection

Focus on the consumers, to safeguard their interests and ensure that they profit optimally from all possibilities.

- Continue work on Net Neutrality
  - Ensure that NRAs are able to respond effectively to related developments.
  - Contribute to policy initiatives.
- Further contribute to the specification process of the Universal Service directive.
- Support end-users with disabilities and ensure equivalence of access and choice.



## Net Neutrality

- BEREC is committed to the open Internet; will continue to focus on Net Neutrality:
  - Opinion on draft Recommendation on Net Neutrality.
  - Report on platforms for measuring the Quality of broadband access services.
  - Study on consumer incentives and market forces driving Net Neutrality developments.
  - Detailed specifications to implement BEREC transparency guidelines.
  - Preparation for 2<sup>nd</sup> round of Traffic Management Investigation.

## Boosting the internal market

Contribute to the promotion of the internal market and to the development of competitive cross border services.

- Implementation of the Roaming Regulation III.
- Interconnection issues relating to the provision of Special Rate Services.
- Relieving restrictions to the pan-European provision of electronic communications services.
- Issues related to the development of M2M services.

## Boosting the internal market (2)

- Benchmarking:
  - Benchmarks on FTR, MTR and SMS.
  - Revenue indicators in relation to bundled services.
  - Regulatory Accounting in practice report.
- Engage with EU Institutions on the implementation of the European Framework:
  - Recommendation on non Discrimination.
  - Recommendation on Relevant Markets.

## International Roaming

- Contribute to the implementation of Roaming Regulation III.
  - Guidelines for the implementation of the Roaming decoupling obligation.
  - Implementation progress report (planned for 2014).
  - Roaming benchmark reports (semi-annual).
  - Report on transparency and comparability of roaming tariffs.

## Other internal and external activities

Covers all activities that do not fall under the three main priority areas, whether internal or external.

- Consideration of the institutional aspects in the implementation of the European Framework.
- Support and contribute to the BEREC evaluation process.
- Amend the BEREC Rules of Procedures.
- Engage with stakeholders.
- Relations with third parties and international co-operation.

## Discussion

We thank you for your attention  
and welcome any questions or comments.

Reminder: Public Consultation open, until 26/10.