

Explanatory Memorandum

to the Decision of the Management Committee of the Office of the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC Office) on the termination of the appointment of the Interim Accounting Officer and on the appointment of the Commission Accounting Officer as the BEREC Office Accounting Officer

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The BEREC Office is an Agency of the EU, established with the objective of providing administrative and professional support to the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC). BEREC contributes to the development and better functioning of the internal market for electronic communications networks and services. BEREC and the BEREC Office were established by Regulation (EC) No 1211/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009.

According to the financial rules applicable to the BEREC Office (Decision MC/2014/1¹) a possibility of sharing services or transferring certain functions to another body of the EU or to the Commission is foreseen.

Therefore, in order to improve the cost-efficiency and to ensure business continuity, access to more expertise and improved risk management, the BEREC Office Management Committee has decided to outsource the tasks of the Accounting Officer to the Commission Accounting Officer. In particular the Management Committee has approved the following decision

- to appoint the Accounting Officer of the European Commission as the BEREC Office Accounting Officer as of 18 April 2016, or as of the day of signature of the Service Level Agreement (SLA) for the provision of the Accounting Officer's services between the BEREC Office and the Commission, whichever date is later;
- to authorise the BEREC Office Administrative Manager to sign the SLA for the provision of the Accounting Officer's services on behalf of the BEREC Office;
- to revoke the appointment of the interim Accounting Officer of the BEREC Office² as of the date of the appointment of the Commission Accounting Officer as the BEREC Office Accounting Officer.

The current decision of the Management Committee was approved at Rotterdam on 26 February 2016 and entered into force on the day of its adoption.

¹ MC/2014/1: Decision of the BEREC Office MC on the financial regulation applicable to the BEREC Office in conformity with the framework Financial Regulation for the bodies referred to in Article 208 of Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Union, 9 January 2014, http://berec.europa.eu/eng/document_register/subject_matter/berec_office/decisions_of_the_management_committee/3976-decision-of-the-berec-office-mc-on-the-financial-regulation-applicable-to-the-berec-office-in-conformity-with-the-framework-financial-regulation-for-the-bodies-referred-to-in-article-208-of-council-regulation-eu-euratom-no-9662012-on-the-financial-regulation-applicable-to-the-general-budget-of-the-european-union-hereinafter-the-general-financial-regulation

² Appointed with Decision MC/2015/14 on the termination of the appointment of the BEREC Office Accounting Officer and on the appointment of Interim Accounting Officer, 13 October 2015, http://www.berec.europa.eu/eng/document_register/subject_matter/berec_office/decisions_of_the_management_committee/5458-berec-office-mc-decision-on-the-termination-of-the-appointment-of-the-berec-office-accounting-officer-and-on-the-appointment-of-interim-accounting-officer