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Governance of the telecommunications market

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- Key role in ensuring the development of
 - consistent regulatory practice
 - consistent application of the EU regulatory framework for the further development of the internal market
- Forum for cooperation in the exercise of the full range of NRAs responsibilities under the EU framework
- Active player in telecoms market regulation



Strong commitment

to identify

- best practices within its Common Positions (CPs)
- check/monitoring of NRAs compliance with CPs

to fulfil

- specific BEREC role within Article 7/7a proceedings
- advisory role e.g. on draft recommendations acc. to Art. 19 FD



Establishment with Regulation 1211/2009 as a body sui generis

• Two pillar approach composed of BEREC and BEREC Office



 ensuring independence and rootedness to NRAs as the single market cannot successfully pursued without well-functioning national markets



BEREC organisational structure

- a well established bottom-up approach



 Drawing on and informed by "on the ground experience" of independent NRAs to implement a pro-competitive regulation effectively ensuring that the Art. 8 objectives are reached

BEREC is evolving in particular with a view to TSM- statutory tasks

- ✓ Input on the weighted average of maximum MTRs
- Fair use policy & sustainability of the abolition of retail roaming surcharges
- ✓ Assess wholesale roaming market
- Guidelines on implementation of Net Neutrality rules,
 consultation launched on 6th June lasting until 18 July 2016



Considerations on future tasks and role – I

- Success of the sectoral regulatory mechanisms relies on
 Independence of BEREC and its NRAs
 - Alignment of competences between them necessary
 - NRA's independence and proper resourcing
- Scope to strengthen effectiveness and efficiency, e.g. by procedural improvements to reduce administrative burden



Considerations on future tasks and role – II

- Stronger advisory role within the EU regulatory process
- **Closer cooperation** with other groups (such as RSPG, ERGA, GDPB)
- Ready to take over further tasks responsive to clearly defined need
- New tasks could be pursued within the current set-up
 - as shown with TSM!
- Crucial to retain BEREC's "unique selling point" BEREC's
 Independence of BEREC and rootedness in its member NRAs



Thanks for your attention!

Happy to answer questions!

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