

# 42<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Plenary Meeting of the BEREC Board of Regulators (BoR)

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## **Conclusions**

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#### Main Results of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the BEREC Board of Regulators

The BEREC Board of Regulators held its 42<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Plenary Meeting on 5-6 March in Belgrade, Serbia.

During the Meeting, the BoR discussed and/or approved the following documents:

#### 1. Documents approved as 'A' items

#### 1.1 For publication:

- BoR (20) 31 24th BEREC International Roaming Benchmark Data Report
- BoR (20) 31a Annex to the 24th BEREC International Roaming Benchmark Data Report on Western Balkan
- BoR (20) 32 Report on the outcomes of the public consultation on the BEREC draft Feasibility study on development of coverage information for 5G deployments
- BoR (20) 33 Feasibility study on development of coverage information for 5G deployments.

#### 1.2 For public consultation:

- BoR (20) 34 Updated BEREC Guidelines on intra-EU communications.

#### 2. Documents approved as regular items:

#### 2.1. For publication:

- BoR (20) 30 BoR Agenda
- BoR (20) 41 Report on the outcomes of the public consultation on the draft BEREC Guidelines on Geographical surveys of network deployments
- BoR (20) 42 BEREC Guidelines to assist NRAs on the consistent application of geographical surveys of networks deployment, Phase I
- BoR (20) 45 BEREC Report on the outcome of the Public Consultation on draft BEREC Guidelines on common approaches to the identification of the network termination point in different network topologies
- BoR (20) 46 BEREC Guidelines on common approaches to the identification of the network termination point in different network topologies
- BoR (20) 49 Report on the outcomes of the public consultation on the draft BEREC Guidelines on common criteria for the assessment of the ability of undertakings other than ECN or ECS to manage numbering resources
- BoR (20) 50 BEREC Guidelines on common criteria for the assessment of the ability of undertakings other than ECN or ECS to manage numbering resources
- BoR (20) 51 BEREC input to the Public consultation on the proposed Recommendation for Internal Market Procedures under the European Electronic Communications Code

- BoR (20) 52 Report on the outcomes of the public consultation on the Draft BEREC Guidelines detailing quality of service parameters of Internet Access Service (IAS) and publicly available ICS and the publication of information
- BoR (20) 53 BEREC Guidelines detailing quality of service parameters of Internet Access Services (IAS) and publicly available ICS and the publication of information.

#### 2.2. For internal use:

- BoR (20) 48 BEREC Report on 1st Workshop on 5G Cybersecurity.

#### 3. Documents submitted for public consultation:

- BoR (20) 43 Draft BEREC Strategy
- BoR (20) 47 Draft BEREC Guidelines on Very High Capacity Networks.

#### 4. Documents submitted for information purposes:

- BoR (20) 35 Contact lists pack
- BoR (20) 36 Information on the electronic voting procedures since the last Plenary Meeting
- BoR (20) 37 Information on planned electronic voting procedures between P1 and P2
- BoR (20) 38 2020 BEREC Work Programme status update
- BoR (20) 39 Division of tasks among Miniboard
- BoR (20) 40 Meetings of BEREC Chair and Vice-Chairs in 2020
- BoR (20) 09 Outline BEREC Work Programme 2021
- BoR (20) 44 Preliminary schedule for meetings in 2021
- BoR (20) 54 Draft Agenda of the 8th BEREC Stakeholder Forum.

#### 5. Other main topics discussed

The BoR discussed topics related to BEREC's international cooperation. The BoR Members also received an update concerning the progress of work on the deliverables of the Regulatory Framework, Open Internet, and Market and Economic Analyses WGs. One NRA shared its national experiences on auction on the 700/1500/2100 Ghz. The BoR also discussed the work on the future BEREC strategy and work programme for 2021 as well as the topic of regulation of digital platforms.

#### 6. Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Plenary Meeting of the BoR will take place on 11-12 June 2020 in Helsinki, Finland and will be hosted by the Finish Transport and Communications Agency (TRAFICOM).

#### **Introduction and participation**

The BEREC Board of Regulators held its 42<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Plenary Meeting on 5-6 March 2020 in Belgrade, Serbia.

The Meeting was attended by the Heads and/or high-level representatives of the National Regulatory Authorities (NRAs) from each EU Member State that have primary responsibility for overseeing the day-to-day operation of the markets for electronic communications networks and services. The European Commission also took part in the Meeting. Heads and high-level representatives of the NRAs with which BEREC has concluded working arrangements were also present.

#### List of documents

The list of final documents approved by the meeting for publication, in compliance with the BEREC Regulation and the BoR transparency rules, is presented in Annex to the Conclusions.

#### Items discussed

A short overview of the information presented under each agenda item, a summary record of the proceedings and a record of the conclusions reached by the BoR are presented below.

#### 1. Opening of the Meeting and adoption of the agenda

Document(s)	BoR (20) 30 Draft BoR Agenda
Introduction by	BEREC Chair (PTS)
Information pre- sented	The BEREC Chair opened the Meeting and presented the draft agenda for approval by the BoR.
	He welcomed the Meeting participants who were participating in a Plenary Meeting for the first time:
	- Mr. Tomi Frasheri from Albania (new Participant)
	- Mrs. Hana Tovarkova from Czechia (new Member)
	- Mrs. Jenni Eskola from Finland (new Alternate)
	- Mr. Dimitrios Varoutas from Greece (new Alternate)
	- Mr. Björn Blondell from Sweden (new Alternate).
	A representative of the Meeting host presented information on the logistics of the Meeting and the social event.
	The BoR was invited to suggest any additional issues to be raised or presented under "Any other business" (AOB).
	The BEREC Chair informed about the COVID-19 virus outbreak and the approach that BEREC will take regarding this situation.
	It was recorded that ANACOM provided proxy to CNMC to represent it and vote on its behalf during the BoR Plenary Meeting.
	It was recorded that AGCOM provided proxy to NMHH to represent it and vote on its behalf during the BoR Plenary Meeting.
Conclusions	The agenda was adopted with no amendments.

## 2. List of 'A' items

Document(s)	Approval for publication:  BoR (20) 31 24 <sup>th</sup> BEREC International Roaming Benchmark Data Report BoR (20) 31a Annex to the 24 <sup>th</sup> BEREC International Roaming Benchmark Data Report on Western Balkan; BoR (20) 32 Draft Report on the outcomes of the public consultation on the BEREC draft Feasibility study on the development of coverage infor-
	mation for 5G deployments;  BoR (20) 33 Feasibility study on the development of coverage information for 5G deployments.  Approval for public consultation:
	BoR (20) 34 Updated BEREC Guidelines on intra-EU communications.
Introduction by	BEREC Chair (PTS)
Information presented	The BEREC Chair presented the list of 'A' items, as set out above. The list of 'A' items had been drawn up on the basis of the conclusions of the Contact Network (CN), according to which BoR approval of the documents should be possible without further discussion. The BEREC Chair informed the BoR Members that, if needed, they could still make statements for the minutes on any of the 'A' items. If a position taken on an 'A' item had led to further discussion or if a Member of the BoR so requested, this item would be withdrawn from the list of 'A' items.
	The BEREC Chair first requested the consent of the BoR Members to include all items in the list and, secondly, asked the BoR to approve the documents in the list of 'A' items.
Conclusions	The BoR approved the documents included in the 'A' item list.

## 3. Information from the BEREC Office

Document(s)	BoR (20) 35 Contact lists pack
	BoR (20) 36 Information on the electronic voting procedures since the last Plenary Meeting
	BoR (20) 37 Information on planned electronic voting procedures between P1 and P2
	BoR (20) 38 2020 BEREC Work Programme status update
Introduction by	BEREC Office Representative
Information pre- sented	The BEREC Office submitted to the BoR for information the updated contact lists for the BEREC Heads, CN members and the BEREC Office, the recent and planned electronic voting procedures, and the implementation status of the 2020 BEREC Work Programme (WP-2020).
	A BEREC Office representative would also update the BoR on:
	<ul> <li>the number of WG meetings in 2019</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the environmental footprint of BEREC and BEREC Office</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the NN Measurement Tool</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the upgrade of the BERECnet</li> </ul>

Conclusions	<ul> <li>the satisfaction survey of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of last year.</li> <li>The BoR took note of the information.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>WACC Data and Bloomberg for REM WG</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the Study on Consumer Behaviour on Digital Platforms</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the upgrade of AVC facilities in Brussels</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the Authorization Database</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the Roaming database and data collection</li> </ul>

## 4. Information from the Chair

Document(s)	BoR (20) 39 Division of tasks among Miniboard BoR (20) 40 Meetings of BEREC Chair and Vice-Chairs in 2020
Introduction by	BEREC Chair (PTS)
Information pre- sented	The BEREC Chair briefed the BoR about his recent and forthcoming meetings. He recalled that information about the BEREC Chair meeting would be regularly published on the BEREC website.
	In addition, the Chair reported on the Miniboard activities and the distribution of responsibilities between the Vice-Chairs.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.

#### 5. Information from the Commission

Document(s)	No documents
Introduction by	Commission Representative
Information pre- sented	The EC representative reported that the information on the following topics was circulated to the BoR before the Meeting:
	- Shaping Europe's Digital Future Communications
	- termination Rates and Eurorates
	- review of the Broadband Cost Reduction Directive (BCRD)
	- recommendations on relevant markets
	- review of the Roaming Regulation
	- recommendations on Procedures
	- the Implementing act specifying a contract summary template
	- the Expert group on emergency communications
	- 5G security.
	The EC representative highlighted the most important topics. He reported that on 19 February 2020, the European Commission published a Communication "Shaping Europe's digital future", accompanied by a White Paper on Artificial Intelligence and the European Strategy for data. He noted that there were a number of actions that could be interesting for BEREC and which fall under its remit, in particular related to connectivity: revision of the BCRD, an updated Action Plan on 5G and 6G, and a new Radio Spectrum Policy Programme. He reported that the RSPG had already been asked for its opinion on the latter with a view to adopting it June 2021.

Conclusions	REC opinion of 2019 on roaming, and informed the BoR that while there was no intention to ask for another BEREC opinion, the EC would rely on BEREC assistance on technical matters. He reported that the EC plans to launch a public consultation in April 2020, and in parallel to work on an impact assessment.  The BoR took note of the information.
	The EC representative also reported on the review of the Roaming Regulations. He noted that the European Commission included in its work programme 2020 the adoption of a legislative proposal for the extension of the Roaming Regulation (Regulation 2015/2120/EU). He recalled the BE-
	The EC representative reported that the Commission is launching the RE-FIT exercise and the evaluation of the Broadband Cost Reduction Directive (Directive 2014/61/EU) with the aim of adopting a new proposal in 2021. He informed the BoR that within this exercise, BEREC could be asked for its input at Q4 2019 or Q1 2021.
	He also emphasised the importance of the international dimension of the strategy and noted that the EC relies on BEREC support in this respect. He also noted upcoming measures on the energy efficiency of operators, in line with the Green Deal. The EC representative also noted that the EC would follow up on the Digital Services Act (DSA) package. A public consultation on the package is planned to be launched in the spring covering also eventual regulatory treatment large online platforms.

## 6. Statistics and Indicators

Document(s)	BoR (20) 41 Draft Report on the outcomes of the public consultation on the draft BEREC Guidelines on Geographical surveys of network deploy- ments
	BoR (20) 42 Draft BEREC Guidelines to assist National Regulatory Authorities (NRAs) on the consistent application of geographical surveys of networks deployment, Phase I
Introduction by	SI WG Co-Chairs (CNMC/ANACOM)
Information presented	The WG Co-Chairs recalled that, in accordance with Article 22(7) of the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC), BEREC would, after consulting stakeholders and in close cooperation with the Commission and relevant national authorities, issue guidelines to assist NRAs and/or other competent authorities on the consistent implementation of their obligations under this Article. BEREC has to issue the Guidelines by 21 June 2020. The Co-Chairs reported that during a public consultation that ran from 10 October to 21 November 2019, BEREC received 27 contributions. They presented the summary of responses to the BoR, together with the main amendments introduced into the Guidelines as a result of the public consultation.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and approved the document for publication, subject to the changes agreed in the compromise.

## 7. Planning and Future Trends

## 7.1. Draft BEREC Strategy

Document(s)	BoR (20) 43 Draft BEREC Strategy
Introduction by	Incoming BEREC Chair (BiPT)
Information presented	The Incoming BEREC Chair presented the draft BEREC Strategy for the period 2021-2025. He recalled that BEREC was to revisit its current Strategy, which expires in 2020, to realign its objectives and strategic priorities with the new regulatory framework, and to ensure that it remained relevant in relation to recent market developments and technological trends. The Incoming BEREC Chair informed the BoR that the draft BEREC Strategy proposed extending the three-year period of its application to 5 years. The prolongation of the period would provide better alignment with the legislative cycle of the Commission, as well as its objectives and new priorities set out by President von der Leyen for the period 2019-2024.
	He reported that the structure of the draft BEREC Strategy was chosen with a view to following high-level strategic priorities, defined as: promoting full connectivity, supporting sustainable and open digital markets and empowering end-users.
	He noted that the draft BEREC Strategy took into account the main challenges and developments of the upcoming years, topics such as: network convergence, digital services, AI, Cybersecurity and sustainable development.
	He emphasised that the draft Strategy also addressed issues related to international and interinstitutional BEREC cooperation. He noted that it was important for BEREC to increase its efforts to reach out and engage in a dialogue with NRAs outside the EU, with networks and institutions working on regulation and electronic communication and policy-makers, and establish working arrangements where relevant.  Finally, the Incoming BEREC Chair reported that BEREC would remain
	committed to continuously improving its interaction with stakeholders to ensure that its work remained relevant.  He presented the timeline for further work on the draft Strategy.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and approved the document for public consultation, subject to the proposed changes.

## 7.2. Draft BEREC Work Programme 2021

Document(s)	BoR (20) 09 Outline BEREC Work Programme 2021 BoR (20) 44 Draft Preliminary schedule for meetings in 2021
Introduction by	Incoming BEREC Chair (BiPT)
Information pre- sented	The Incoming BEREC Chair reported on the progress made with the development of the BEREC Work Programme (WP) for 2021 and presented the next steps leading to its final approval.  He informed the BoR that the Outline BEREC Work Programme 2021 was adopted on 30 January 2020 and submitted to the European Parliament, the Council, and the EC for consultation.

Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.
	<ul> <li>December 2020: Adoption of the final 2021 WP at P4/2020 and preparation of the draft outline WP 2022.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>October 2020: Public Consultation on Draft 2021 WP and early engagement with stakeholders for 2022 WP</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>September/October 2020: Presentation to CN / Final Update to BoR</li> <li>seek approval for public consultation at P3/2020</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>June 2020: Update to BoR at P2/2020 and Initial Steer</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>May 2020: Consolidation and Initial Prioritisation - Presentation to CN2/2020</li> </ul>
	The next steps were as follows:  - February/March/April 2020: Internal call for inputs for 2021 WP; early engagement with stakeholders after P1/2020
	He reported about the call launched on xx for contributions to the new BE-REC WP 2021.

#### 8. Fixed Network Evolution

## 8.1. Draft BEREC Guidelines on common approaches to the identification of the network termination point in different network topologies

Document(s)	BoR (20) 45 BEREC Report on the outcome of the Public Consultation on the draft BEREC Guidelines on common approaches to the identification of the network termination point in different network topologies  BoR (20) 46 Draft BEREC Guidelines on common approaches to the identification of the network termination point in different network topologies
Introduction by	FNE WG Co-Chair (RTR)
Information presented	The WG Co-Chair recalled that the BEREC Guidelines on common approaches to the identification of the network termination point in different network topologies were designed in accordance with Article 61(7) of the European Electronic Communications Code. They were intended to provide guidance to NRAs on common approaches to the identification of the network termination point (NTP) in different network topologies.  The WG Co-Chair informed the BoR about the main outcomes of the Public Consultation on the draft Guidelines, which ran from 7 October to 21 November 2019, and reported how the inputs received were taken into consideration when updating the draft Guidelines.  He reported that BEREC received 68 contributions and that stakeholders expressed both diverging and often opposing views and provided comments on many different aspects of the document.  He focused on the following topics raised by the stakeholders:  NTP located at point A  legal provisions

	<ul> <li>impact on TTE market</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>implementation of the modem functionality</li> </ul>
	- different network topologies
	- network security
	- wholesale level and open access
	- mobile NTP.
	The BEREC Chair also recalled the workshop organised after the public consultation and highlighted its importance and the fact that it was well received by the stakeholders.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and approved the document for publication.

## 8.2. Draft BEREC Guidelines on Very High Capacity Networks (VHCNs)

Document(s)	BoR (20) 47 Draft BEREC Guidelines on Very High Capacity Networks
Introduction by	FNE WG Co-Chair (RTR)
Information pre- sented	The WG Co-Chair recalled that the Draft BEREC Guidelines on Very High Capacity Networks were designed in accordance with Article 82 of the EECC and were intended to provide guidance to NRAs 'on the criteria that a network is to fulfil in order to be considered a very high capacity network'.
	He reported that the criteria for the definition of VHCN were set based on the definition of the VHCN established in the EECC and based on data collected from network operators.
	The WG Co-Chair presented to the BoR the criteria for the definition of a very high capacity network for fixed and wireless networks, including quality of services parameters, and explained how they were determined.
	He also reported on the application of the criteria.
	The BEREC Chair noted that these Guidelines were important and that their adoption was to move ahead.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and approved the document for public consultation.

## 9. Open Internet (OI) – Oral update on the current work of the WG

Document(s)	No documents
Introduction by	OI Co-Chairs (TRAFICOM/ACM)
Information pre- sented	The WG Co-Chair updated the BoR on the ongoing work of the OI WG, focusing mainly on the update of the Open Internet Guidelines.
	He briefly reported on the outcome of the public consultation on Open Internet Guidelines that ran from 10 October 2019 to 28 November 2019. He presented the stakeholders' general perception of the draft Guidelines.
	The WG Co-Chair reported on the following aspects of the Guidelines:
	- the satellite IAS
	<ul> <li>relations under, and different interpretations of, Article 3 (he emphasised that the Guidelines would maintain that neither the</li> </ul>

	rights as set out in Art. 3(1), nor the requirements of Art. 3(3), could be waived by an agreement under 3(2))  - the status of zero rating services
	- transparency rules for IAS
	- the monitoring of specific content.
	He also reported on the letters received from the EDPB and the European Commission and a response to the letter from EDPB by GSMA/ETNO.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.

## 10. Market and Economic Analysis (MEA) – Oral update on the current work of the WG

Document(s)	No documents
Introduction by	MEA WG Co-Chairs (CNMC/Arcep)
Information pre- sented	The WG Co-Chairs reported to the BoR on the ongoing work of the WG, notably on the following topics:
	<ul> <li>the Workshop on 'Open Internet, open devices and open digital platforms', which was held on 9 October 2019</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the Stakeholders' workshop on co-investments, held on 31 January 2020</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the Workshop with the EC and WIK on relevant markets, which took place on 23 January 2020</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>progress on the report on the Market and Economic Analysis of Digital Platforms.</li> </ul>
	The WG Co-Chairs also noted the possible public consultation on the Digital Services Act that could be launched by the EC, and the need for the Heads' guidance in this respect.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.

## 11. High-level discussion on the regulation of digital platforms

Document(s)	No documents
Introduction by	BEREC Chair (PTS)
	Incoming BEREC Chair (BiPT)
Information pre- sented	In the light of recent developments, the BEREC Chair asked the BoR to discuss the topic of the regulation of digital platforms.
	He briefly introduced the topic, recent developments and the European Commission's plans.
	He recalled that the BEREC WP 2020 stated that BEREC should remain available to provide any inputs in the context of the new digital initiatives following the new European Commission and Parliament.

Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and decided to establish a drafting team to prepare BEREC input for the public consultation on the Digital Services Act.
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## 12. Ad-hoc WG on Cybersecurity of 5G Networks

Document(s)	BoR (20) 48 Draft BEREC Report on 1st Workshop on 5G Cybersecurity
Introduction by	Ad-hoc WG Co-Chairs (AKOS/EETT)
Information pre- sented	The WG Co-Chairs reported to the BoR about the workshop on 5G Cybersecurity that took place in Brussels on 27 November 2019. They briefly described the agenda of the workshop, together with the main comments and proposals made by the stakeholders.
	They also briefly updated the BoR on the EU Toolbox for 5G Security, published on 29 January 2020, including its key measures and the next steps.
	The WG Co-Chairs presented to the BoR the draft agenda of the joint workshop organised by BEREC and ENISA, planned for 27 March 2020.
	The goal of this workshop is to discuss openly the implementation of the 5G toolbox measures with key representatives and experts from telecom operators and EU Member States' national authorities operating in the EU Digital Single Market, that have been directly involved in implementing the toolbox.
	The workshop will cover two sessions: the first session will be dedicated to building resilient and non-dependent 5G networks and the second session to securing 5G networks across the EU single market.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and approved the document for internal use.

## 13. Remedies

Document(s)		BoR (20) 51 Draft BEREC input for the Public consultation on the proposed Recommendation for Internal Market Procedures under the European Electronic Communications Code
Introduction by		REM WG Co-Chairs (BNetzA/UKE)
Information sented	pre-	As a preliminary point, the BEREC Chair indicated that possible EC absence from specific deliberations would be further discussed with the EC. The WG Co-Chairs reported that on 7 January 2020, the EC opened a public consultation on the review of the existing Procedural Recommendation related to notifications under internal market procedures in electronic communications. The Co-Chairs reported that the Commission had granted BEREC an extension of the deadline, set for 3 March 2020, to allow BEREC to discuss its draft response at Plenary 1 2020 in Belgrade. The WG Co-Chairs recalled that currently, Article 7 of the Framework Directive governed the submission of market notifications, whereas as of 21 December 2020, it would be covered by new provisions in the EECC, whereby guidance on the procedures must be updated, especially in relation to the newly introduced double-lock veto mechanism.  The WG Co-Chairs emphasised that BEREC's overall objective with regard to the notification procedure was to make it as efficient as possible

	and to ensure the tight time schedule and deadlines can be handled by NRAs and, in phase-II cases, also by BEREC's expert teams.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and approved the document for publication and submission to the European Commission.

#### 14. Regulatory Framework

14.1. Draft BEREC Guidelines on common criteria for the assessment of the ability to manage numbering resources by undertakings other than providers of electronic communications networks or services and of the risk of exhaustion of numbering resources if numbers are assigned to such undertakings

Document(s)	BoR (20) 49 Draft Report on the outcomes of the public consultation on the draft BEREC Guidelines on common criteria for the assessment of the ability of undertakings other than ECN or ECS to manage numbering resources  BoR (20) 50 Draft BEREC Guidelines on common criteria for the assessment of the ability to manage numbering resources by undertakings other than providers of electronic communications networks or services and of the risk of exhaustion of numbering resources if numbers are assigned to such undertakings
Introduction by	RF WG Drafting Leader (AGCOM)
Information pre- sented	The Drafting Team Leader recalled the legal basis for the development of the Guidelines, notably Article 93(2) and 94 of the EECC. He recalled that by 21 June 2020, BEREC should adopt, after consulting stakeholders and in close cooperation with the Commission, Guidelines on common criteria for the assessment of the ability of undertakings other than providers of electronic communications networks or services (non-ECN/ECS) to manage numbering resources and of the risk of exhaustion of numbering resources.  He reported that at the 38th Plenary Meeting in Ghent, the Guidelines were approved by the BoR for public consultation, which ran from 14 June to 28 August 2019. BEREC received contributions from 9 stakeholders.  He reported that one further attempt was made upon the Commission's suggestion, last December, to try to collect input from non-ECN/ECS entities via a reference to the ongoing work on the BEREC report on the impact of 5G on regulation. However, no further contributions had been reported.
	He highlighted that the BEREC Guidelines provided the criteria for assigning numbering resources in the event that use cases arise in the future. He also informed the BoR that a review clause was added in the document upon the EC's suggestion.
	The Drafting Team Leader presented the scope of the Guidelines, the criteria for the assessment of the ability to manage numbering resources, as well as the criteria for the assessment of the risk of exhaustion of numbering resources for non-ECN/ECS entities.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and approved the document for publication.

## 14.2. Oral update on the current work of the WG

Document(s)	No documents
Introduction by	RF WG Co-Chair (NMHH)
Information presented	The WG Co-Chair reported to the BoR on the ongoing work of the WG, notably on the BEREC Database on general authorisation notifications and on the activities related to the definitions in the EECC and BEREC work concerning the EC's consultation on the review of the Procedural Recommendation.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.

## 15. Exchange of regulatory experience

Document(s)	No documents
Introduction by	Representatives of NRA tbc (RTR)
Information presented	The representative of the NRA informed the BoR about the upcoming auction on the 700/1500/2100 Ghz bands and the coverage obligations. He presented to the BoR the main conditions under which the spectrum will be assigned to operators. He reported that competition and coverage were the key drivers for designing the actual auction rules. He informed the BoR about the durations of the licences and "bonus stage" to incentivise investments. He reported that the coverage obligations were based on three main objectives to ensure futureproof infrastructure planning: population coverage, traffic routs and area coverage. Finally, he reported on the obligations related to infrastructure sharing and the expectations of the NRA regarding the outcomes of the auction.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.

#### 16.End-User

Document(s)	BoR (20) 52 Draft Report on the outcomes of the public consultation on the draft BEREC Guidelines detailing Quality of Service Parameters of Internet Access Service (IAS) and publicly available ICS and the publication of information  BoR (20) 53 draft BEREC Guidelines detailing Quality of Service Parameters of Internet Access Services (IAS) and publicly available ICS and the publication of information
Introduction by	End-User WG Co-Chairs (AGCOM/ComReg)
Information presented	The WG Co-Chairs recalled the legal basis, i.e. Article 104(2) of Directive (EU) 2018/1972 (EECC). They noted that the Guidelines were issued to provide guidance to NRAs in respect to Article 104 of the EECC and to contribute to the consistent application of Article 104(2) and Annex X of the Code.  They briefed the BoR on the outcomes of the public consultation, which ran from 10 October 2019 to 5 December 2019. BEREC received 11 submissions from stakeholders, mainly operators (and their associations) and consumer associations.

	The main comments of the public consultation focused on:
	<ul> <li>the distinction between ICS and IAS QoS parameters</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the distinction between QoS and QoE</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the entry into force of the Guidelines</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the availability and the relevance of the information to be published</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the parameters additional to the one indicated in Annex X of EECC</li> </ul>
	(Table 2 of the Guidelines)
	<ul> <li>the provisions for disabled users.</li> </ul>
	They reported that the majority of stakeholders support the purpose of the
	Guidelines and emphasise the importance of a harmonised
	implementation of the EECC.
	The Co-Chairs also briefly presented to the BoR the updated BEREC Guidelines, which take into account the outcome of the public consultation.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information and approved the document for publication.

## 17. BEREC international cooperation

Document(s)	No documents
Introduction by	BEREC Vice-Chair responsible for international cooperation (ComReg)
Information pre- sented	The BEREC Vice-Chair responsible for international cooperation briefed the BoR in relation to recent and forthcoming BEREC international activities.
	The BEREC Vice-Chair also briefed the BoR on the Miniboard Study Trip to the United States.
	The BEREC Vice-Chair responsible for international cooperation presented to the BoR the list of events organised by BEREC partners (FCC, TRAI, EaPeReg, Regulatel, EMERG) and informed the BoR that he would be in contact with the WG Co-Chairs to decide on BEREC representation at those events.
	He reported that the following MoUs would expire in 2020: with FCC (Federal Communications Commission of the United States of America), EMERG (Euro Mediterranean Regulators Group), TRAI (Telecom Regulatory Authority of India) and CRTC (Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission). He informed the Meeting that these MoUs would be extended for an indefinite period.
	In addition, he reported on the PRIDA initiative and BEREC's involvement in it, as well as the Australian Communications and Media Authority who was willing to engage with BEREC in relation to its strategy.
	He reported that a meeting on BEREC's international activities would take place with the EC shortly.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.

## 18.8th BEREC Stakeholder Forum

Document(s)	BoR (20) 54 Draft Agenda of the 8th BEREC Stakeholder Forum
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Introduction by	Incoming BEREC Chair (BIPT)
Information presented	The Incoming BEREC Chair briefed the BoR about the state of arrangements for the 8 <sup>th</sup> Stakeholders' Forum meeting, scheduled for 1 April 2020 in Brussels (Belgium) at the Thon EU Hotel.
	He informed the Meeting that it would be a full-day event with multiple discussion sessions and engagement possibilities. The stakeholders would be invited to start an early dialogue regarding BEREC's work priorities and strategy for the future. They would also have a chance to participate in an open dialogue with the current and incoming BEREC Chair during a Q&A session.
	The main topic of the Forum would be "Digital platform regulation".
	He highlighted that for the first time, BEREC would provide sector players with the opportunity to have a one-on-one with the Co-Chairs of Working Groups during the morning session. 10-minute time slots would be blocked between 09:30-12:00 to give the stakeholders the opportunity to talk briefly with the WG Co-Chairs.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.

## 19.AOB

## 19.1. Information on the 43<sup>rd</sup> BoR Ordinary Meeting (10-12 June, Helsinki, Finland)

Document(s)	No documents (this agenda item will be covered under MB)
Introduction by	Representative of the Meeting host (TRAFICOM)
Information pre- sented	The representative of the Meeting host, TRAFICOM, provided information on the logistics for the 43 <sup>rd</sup> Ordinary Meeting, due to take place in Helsinki (Finland) from 11 to 12 June 2020. It was also noted that the Plenary Meeting would be preceded by a workshop to be held on 10 June 2020.
Conclusions	The BoR took note of the information.