

ERG 23rd Plenary Meeting

Date and time: 6 – 7 December 2007
Venue: Rome – Italy

Conclusions

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda **ERG (07) 71rev1**

Action required by Plenary

To agree on the agenda and identify any point to be raised under AOB.

- *The agenda was adopted.*
- *A new AOB from the Estonian NRA was moved to the beginning of the meeting: The new structure of the Estonian NRAs in effect from 1 Jan 2008 was outlined.*

2. Information from the ERG Chair **ERG (07) 72**

Background

Records of significant meetings and activities conducted by Roberto Viola as ERG Chair and by the Chair's Secretariat.

- *Plenary took note of the document.*

3. Harmonization and Remedies (OFCOM /CMT/ARCEP)

a) Remedies Coordination (OFCOM/CMT) **ERG (07) 77**

Background

OFCOM will provide an update on recent activities conducted for the “Monitoring of Application of ERG Common Positions”.

Action required by Plenary

Heads to take note, and approve next steps.

- *OFCOM presented the results of the first monitoring exercise regarding the WBA/WLA Common Positions. A report will be finalised in January 2008. Further monitoring exercises and methodological development are planned for 2008.*
- *Plenary approved the next steps and gave the PT full support.*

**b) Wholesale Broadband Access /
Wholesale Local Access (ARCEP)**

ERG (07) 53 rev1

Background

ARCEP will submit the draft final Report on Best Practices on Wholesale Broadband Access/Wholesale Local Access to be issued for public consultation.

Action required by Plenary

Heads to discuss and approve the document for public consultation.

- *Plenary discussed the report and approved it for public consultation.*

4. Fixed /Mobile Termination (AGCOM/ARCEP)

ERG (07) 73

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ERG (07) 75

Background

ARCEP will present the first deliverable under WP2007 of the work regarding the Common Position on Mobile Termination Rates symmetry, and will provide an update on the activities regarding the work started under the new PRD “harmonisation of the costing/price control remedy for MTR” approved at the Athens Plenary 07 on cost modelling issues

AGCOM will submit the draft Common Position on Fixed Termination Rates symmetry.

Action required by Plenary

Heads to discuss the 2 draft deliverables, and approve them for public consultation. Heads to agree on the way forward for the new deliverable under WP2008 of the Mobile Termination Rates Project Team.

- *Plenary discussed the documents and approved the 2 draft CPs – subject to amendments – for public consultation, which will be accompanied by the joint economic introduction (doc. approved in Oslo).*
- *The work under the new PRD “harmonisation of the costing/price control remedy for MTR” should go on and be closely aligned with the work of the Cion on a planned recommendation on MTR. Regarding the questionnaire and the data collection, the Chair told that the collection of such data is authorized by ERG's framework and the European Commission highlighted that it is necessary to share data in this context. The Plenary decided that sensitive data should be provided to allow further harmonisation.*

5. Voice over Internet Protocol (AGCOM) ERG (07) 56 rev2

Background

AGCOM will provide an update on the outcome of the public consultation and will submit a consultation summary and the final Common Position on VOIP.

Action required by Plenary

Heads to approve the documents and their publication.

- *Plenary discussed and approved the CP – subject to small amendments – for publication. ILR stated its reservation with regard to the document.*
- *The consultation summary will be approved electronically.*

6. International Roaming Regulation (OFCOM)

Background

OFCOM will provide an update on the International Roaming Project Team current activities and will inform on the second ad hoc data request outcome, whose results have been presented to the European Parliament on 20 November and on the wide data monitoring task, together with an outline of next steps (amongst other things: report for the Commission).

Action required by Plenary

Heads to take note and approve next steps for the reporting.

- *A first ERG report will be ready in January 2008, as the received data needs to be checked again (to eliminate inconsistencies and to complete missing data).*
- *Plenary discussed and approved the next steps, and also to approve the report and the final guidelines electronically via CN.*

7. NGN Costs (BAKOM) ERG (07) 79

Background

BAKOM will present a short summary paper describing the NGN Costs PT document that will feed into the work of the IP-IC/NGN PT regarding the NGN CP.

Action required by Plenary

Heads to take note.

- *Plenary took note and agreed to proposed input of the document to the IP-IC/NGN PT.*

8. **Work Programme and meetings in 2008 (Chair 2008)** **ERG (07) 65 rev2**

a) **NCAH Work Programme 2008 update**

NCAH will provide an update on the draft WP2008 and on next steps for finalising the programme.

Action required by Plenary

Heads to take note of the provided documents and to approve the Work Programme 2008.

- *NCAH informed about the consultation and the hearing and presented the WP 2008.*
- *Plenary discussed and approved the WP 2008 – subject to small amendments.*
- *The consultation summary will be approved electronically.*

b) **Project Requirement Document for Benchmark Project Team** **ERG (07) 76**

Background

CMT will present the Project Requirement Document for a new Benchmark Project Team that will analyse available data to underpin the monitoring exercise with market results and other available data, to assess the effect of regulation in compliance with approved Common Positions.

Action required by Plenary

Heads to approve the PRD.

- *This point was omitted due to time constraints; the PRD will be discussed at the next plenary together with all the PRDs for the Work Programme 2008.*

9. **Information from the Commission** **ERG (07) 81**

This item is to give the opportunity for the European Commission to update the Plenary about any significant developments not already mentioned.

Action required by Plenary

Heads to take note.

- *The Heads took note of the recent notifications according to Art. 7 and exchanged views with the European Commission on the new framework proposal.*

10. AOB

a) Next ERG Plenary meeting

b) MCA – Centres of knowledge – new programme

MCA will update on the use of the data base for the centres of knowledge and present the new program with enhanced functionalities.

c) Reform/Changes of ITU – International Telecommunication Regulations (ITRs)

ERG (07) 80

PTS proposal to provide input jointly by ERG/Cion

- *The next Plenary will take place in Gothenburg, Sweden, on February 28 and 29.*
- *Item b was removed from today's agenda.*
- *Heads took note and asked Sweden to coordinate the members' input.*