

29th ERG Plenary Meeting Hosted by CTU

Timing and location

28 May 2009 2.00pm to 5.00pm
29 May 2009 9.00am to 1.00pm
Prague, Czech Republic

Conclusions

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

Conclusions

The agenda was adopted.

Approved documents

Draft ERG Plenary Agenda

ERG (09) 15 rev 1

2. Information by the Chair and the Secretariat

No significant developments were mentioned.

3. NGN policies (BNetzA)

a) Draft ERG Report on NGA – Economic analysis and regulatory principles

Background

BNetzA presented the draft ERG Report on NGA Economic analysis and regulatory principles (incl. Annexes with 22 country case studies), following the discussion held during the last Plenary.

Conclusions

The report was approved for publication.

Approved documents

Report on NGA Economic analysis and regulatory principles

ERG (09) 17

b) Future Charging Mechanisms

Submitted documents

Internal progress report on Future Charging Mechanisms **ERG (09) 18**

Background

BNetzA/OPTA presented the progress report (internal) on Future Charging mechanisms for information.

Conclusions

The Plenary took note.

4. I/ERG-RSPG Cooperation (PTS)

a) ERG/RSPG Report on transitional spectrum issues (PTS)

b) ERG/RSPG Report on radio spectrum competition issues (PTS)

Background

PTS presented the ERG/RSPG Report on transitional spectrum issues and the ERG/RSPG Report on radio spectrum competition issues.

Conclusions

The ERG/RSPG joint reports were approved for publication together with a joint press release (ERG (09) 27).

Approved documents

ERG/RSPG Report on transitional spectrum issues **ERG (08) 60 rev 1**

ERG/RSPG Report on radio spectrum competition issues **ERG (09) 22**

c) Digital dividend (NCAH)

Background

As Chair of the RSPG in 2009, NCAH presented the RSPG's draft opinion on digital dividend published for consultation following the last RSPG plenary (May 13).

Conclusions

After inclusion of the comments received, the ERG statement on digital dividend was approved for publication.

Approved documents

ERG statement on digital dividend **ERG (09) 26**

d) ERG/RSPG cooperation : future work

Background

AGCOM presented the next steps of the work regarding market definitions.

Conclusions

The Chair concluded that the work on market definitions will be undertaken as proposed and agreed by the Plenary as ERG/RSPG cooperation has proven to be fruitful and its importance is increasing.

5. Remedies (Ofcom)

a) VoIP Action Plan

Background

Ofcom provided the draft report on the VoIP action plan.

Conclusions

The report on the VoIP action plan was approved for publication.

Approved documents

VoIP Action Plan

ERG (09) 19

b) Update on the work on (non-) conformity with common positions

Background

Ofcom provided an oral report on the work being held by the REM PT on the criteria for assessing the conformity and non-conformity with ERG Common Positions.

Conclusions

The Plenary took note.

c) Business services work stream

Background

This topic was added in the 2009 ERG Work plan following public consultation. Ofcom presented the current status of work and outlined a project plan.

Conclusions

The project plan for the work on business services was approved as submitted.

Approved documents

Business services work stream (internal document)

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6. International Roaming (Ofcom)

Background

Ofcom presented the draft ERG Guidelines on the Roaming Regulation II. An update regarding the data collection for the 4th Report was presented as well as an update on the state of work regarding alternatives to regulation.

Conclusions

The ERG draft Guidelines were approved for immediate public consultation.

Approved documents

ERG draft Guidelines on Roaming Regulation II **ERG (09) 24**

7. Customer empowerment (ANCOM / ANACOM)

Background

ANCOM presented an oral report on the status of the work on universal service and broadband issues.

Conclusions

The Plenary took note.

8. SMP (ARCEP)

Background

CMT presented the draft Report on price consistency in upstream broadband markets.

Conclusions

The report was approved for publication.

Approved documents

Report on price consistency in upstream broadband markets **ERG (09) 21**

9. Benchmarking PT

a) MTR Benchmark Report

Background

CMT presented the MTR Benchmark Report.

Conclusions

The MTR snapshot is approved for publication.

Approved documents

MTR Benchmark Report (data as of 1st January 09) **ERG (09) 23**

b) Benchmarking PT activities

Background

CMT presented the status of the work on benchmarking of broadband retail prices.

Conclusions

The Plenary took note.

10. Information from the Commission

Background

The European Commission provided an oral update on Article 7 Notifications and some clarifications on the notification requirements. In particular, the Commission clarified to what extent the undertakings submitted by a SMP operator and accepted by an NRA constitute remedies under the Regulatory Framework and therefore should be notified. More generally, the Commission provided some explanations on the range of regulatory measures that should be notified by an NRA under the current Regulatory Framework and in which cases the simplified notification procedure should apply.

Conclusions

The Plenary took note.

11. AOB

a) Next ERG Plenary meeting (BNetzA / BAKOM)

The next ERG Plenary meeting will take place on 8-9 October 2009 in Lucerne.