ComReg Combatting Scam Calls and SMS BEREC Workshop Wednesday, 21st May 2025



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Agenda



ComReg Approach

Scam Calls Interventions

Scam SMS Interventions

Collaboration

Q&A

Scam Call Interventions





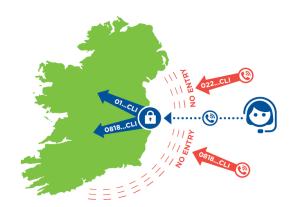
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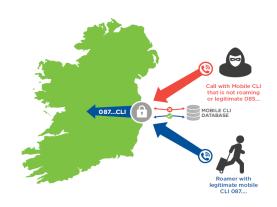
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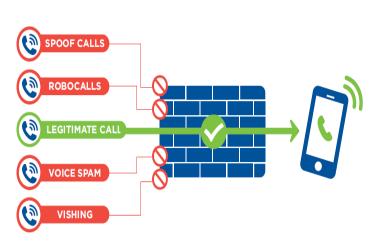
Fixed CLI DI: 11/24

Status: Active Oct 2024



Mobile CLI DI: 12/24

Status: Active Oct 2024



Voice Firewall DI: D13/24

A **dynamic** intervention updated in real time to account for fraudsters adapting strategies to reach consumers. Al learning based.

Status: Due October 2025

SMS SenderID Registry



SMS Sender ID Registry

- Allows businesses to register their SMS Sender ID. Operators will then block any message bearing a sender ID from any source other than the registry.
- Decision Instrument: D14/24
- Status: Due July 2025

Q3/24
Industry
Engagement

Large Volume of Aggregators invited to the Forum



Q1/25 Bulk Upload

Bulk Upload of existing SIDO + Sender IDs



May 27 FCFS

First-Come-First-Served Registration



3 July 2025 'Likely Scam'

Unregistered
Sender IDs
modified by
PA/MSP



3 October 2025 Block

Unregistered Sender IDs blocked

ComReg Industry Engagement & Communications Campaign

SMS Scam Filter



The single most impactful intervention to combat scam texts

SMS Scam Filter

A **dynamic** intervention that operates like an email spam filter by detecting and blocking harmful website links and content.

Status: on hold

Legal basis



Based on international evidence, Europe Economics found that this would:

- Block 40 millions of scam text a year (c. 85%)
- Prevent thousands of fraud cases per year
- Bring benefits of up to €500 Million over 7 years

Collaboration





- Telcos
- Banking
- Online Platforms
- Regulators
- Governments
- Police

The Future





Questions?