

3rd Meeting of the BEREC Contact Network in 2026

Hybrid Meeting

Conclusions

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10–11 September 2026

Introduction and participation

The 3rd Meeting of the BEREC Contact Network in 2026 was held in hybrid format in Tirana, Albania on **10-11 September 2026**. The meeting was chaired by Katja Kmet Vrčko, Advisor to the Director for International Affairs at AKOS and Representative of the 2026 BEREC Chair.

The meeting was attended by senior representatives of the National Regulatory Authorities (NRAs), who are primarily responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operation of the markets for electronic communications networks and services. NRAs from the EU Member States (MS), the EEA countries and countries that are candidates for accession to the EU were also represented. A representative of the European Commission also attended the meeting.

Main results of the 3rd Meeting of the BEREC Contact Network in 2026

The objective of the meeting was to prepare for the 68th Plenary Meeting of the BEREC Board of Regulators (BoR) and the Management Board (MB) of the BEREC Office (BO), due to be held in hybrid format on 1-2 October 2026 in Croatia. The BEREC Contact Network (CN) considered all topics to be included in the BoR and MB agendas and concluded the following:

I. Documents to be submitted to the BoR

The CN agreed to submit the following documents to the BoR:

1. As “A” items (without presentation and discussion)

1.1. For approval for publication:

- BEREC CN (26) 65 Draft BEREC Report on the Implementation of the Open Internet Regulation and the BEREC Open Internet Guidelines
- BEREC CN (26) 73 Draft BEREC Summary Report on the external workshop on practices for ensuring the equivalence of access and choice with respect to accessibility
- BEREC CN (26) 77 Draft BEREC Report on Virtual Worlds and Web 4.0
- BEREC CN (26) 78 Draft BEREC Report on the outcome of the consultation on the BEREC Draft Report on Virtual Worlds and Web 4.0
- BEREC CN (26) 79 Summary of the BEREC Stakeholder Workshop on Combating Fraud

2. As regular items (with presentation and discussion):

2.1. For approval for publication:

- BEREC CN (26) 66 Europe's Telecom Reality Check - Draft BEREC Fact-finding report on connectivity, competition and regulatory highlights in different jurisdictions
- BEREC CN (26) 67 Europe's Telecom Reality Check - Draft Report on the outcome of the public consultation of the draft BEREC Fact-finding report on connectivity, competition and regulatory highlights in different jurisdictions

- BEREC CN (26) 74 Draft BEREC Statement on the Review of the BEREC Guidelines detailing Quality of Service parameters
- BEREC CN (26) 82 Draft Agenda for the 68th BoR Plenary Meeting

2.2. *For approval for public consultation:*

- BEREC CN (26) 68 Draft BEREC Report on access conditions to state-aid funded networks
- BEREC CN (26) 75 Draft BEREC Report on the impact of generative AI on internet openness
- BEREC CN (26) 76 Draft BEREC Work Programme 2027

2.3. *For internal use:*

- BEREC CN (26) 81 Draft Guidelines for organising and hosting high-level events of the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications

2.4. *For information and further consideration:*

- BEREC CN (26) 61 Contact lists pack
- BEREC CN (26) 62 Information on the planned electronic voting procedures
- BEREC CN (26) 63 Information on the electronic voting procedures since the last plenary meeting
- BEREC CN (26) 64 Work Programme 2026 status update

The CN was briefed on the recent activities of the BEREC Chair and important projects carried out by the BEREC Office, in support of BEREC, and BEREC's recent and forthcoming international activities. The European Commission (EC) was invited to provide information on important recent developments and activities under its remit that had an impact on the digital sector. The CN was also informed about further work on the BEREC Work Programme 2027, the Outline of the BEREC Communications Plan 2027 and the Revision of the Guidelines on the Organisation and Hosting of High-level Meetings.

II. Documents to be submitted to the MB

The CN was informed about the following documents to be submitted to the MB:

1. As regular items (with presentation and discussion):

1.1 *For approval for publication:*

- BEREC CN (26) 72 Draft Decision of the BEREC Office MB concerning the designation of the Reporting Officers to appraise the Director of the BEREC Office
- BEREC CN (26) 83 Draft Agenda for the 68th MB Plenary Meeting

1.2 *For approval for internal use:*

- BEREC CN (26) 80 Draft BEREC External Communications Strategy

1.3 *For information:*

- BEREC CN (26) 69 Conclusions of the 3rd BAG meeting

- BEREC CN (26) 70 Commission Opinion C(2026) 5116 final of 14.7.2026 on the draft single programming document of the BEREC Office for 2027-2029
- BEREC CN (26) 71 Overview of the Commission Opinion C(2026) 5116 final of 14.7.2026 on the draft single programming document of the BEREC Office for 2027-2029, proposed BEREC Office actions and reply to Commission comments (where applicable)

The MB will also be briefed about the recent activities of the BEREC Office Advisory Group (BAG) and be provided with a short presentation from the BEREC Office on the implementation of the Cybersecurity Regulation at the BEREC Office. The BEREC Office will also, along with one NRA, jointly present on AI Guidelines and AI Literacy.

Next meeting

The next Meeting of the CN will take place in **Noordwijk, The Netherlands (12-13 November 2026)**.

11 September 2026

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BEREC CN Chair 2026