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The RSPG WG on 'the review of the RSPP' met twice since the last RSPG plenary (the 8 July at Amsterdam at the kind invitation of MINEZ (NL) and the 23 September at Maisons-Alfort (F) hosted by ANFR). The working group made very good progress at the July meeting and finalised the draft Opinion in September based on final comments received during the summer period by correspondence. An initial exchange of views took place in September on Spectrum issues relative to the Telecom Framework Review. Around 40 representatives registered to the working group's mailing list and 10 Member States and ETSI have been active during the meetings.

Draft Opinion on "on the implementation of the current RSPP and its revision to address the next period"

During the July meeting, the work focused mainly on the executive summary and on the issues of "making the band available" according to EC Decision under Radio Spectrum Decision. The meeting described criteria for deciding such deadline: crossborder issues, economies of scale and the development of telecoms services provided EU wide. The working group developed recommendations for the following frequency bands: 700 MHz, 1452-1492 MHz and 2.3-2.4 GHz accordingly. The draft Opinion has been largely stabilised and has been circulated for final comments during the summer period.

The working group considered the proposed improvements received during the summer and finalised the draft Opinion at the September meeting. No sensitive issue has been identified during this meeting.

In consequence, the RSPG Plenary Meeting #38 is invited to consider and to approve for public consultation the draft Opinion on "the implementation of the current RSPP and its revision to address the next period".

A meeting will be organised to address the comments from the public consultation.

• Review of the Telecoms Framework

Moreover, as agreed during the last plenary, an initial discussion on the "Telecom Framework review" has been launched the 23 September. A kick of document, a study submitted to European Parliament¹ and the public consultation document from the European Commission on "Telecom Framework review" have been circulated prior the meeting. The working group has been informed also that the European Commission sent to BEREC a request for input for the evaluation of the current

 $^{^1}$ http://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/etudes/join/2013/518736/IPOLITRE_ET%282013%29518736_EN.pdf $\,$ - see 3.10 and 8.1.7 in particular

² https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/TelecomFrameworkReview2015

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framework for electronic communications and a request for Opinion on the review of the framework for electronic communications.

Initial exchange of views focused on the publication consultation document mainly on sections: 'spectrum management and wireless connectivity' and 'institutional set up and governance'. The working group identified issues as the time to market, the access to spectrum, the awards issues as licences conditions and duration, the trading/leasing of the spectrum usage rights, the spectrum sharing issues, the future work on IoT /M2M, 5G, the role of the RSPG. It has been agreed to inform the RSPG ad hoc group on the work program of this initial exchange of views. This has been done accordingly.

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