

## **Italy- Comments to RSPG14-585(rev1) – (Draft) RSPG Opinion on a long-term strategy on the future use of the UHF band (470-790 MHz) in the European Union**

In consideration of the intensive use of all the UHF band (470-790 MHz) for DTT and that more than 30% of national and regional MUXes are operating in 700 MHz band, with rights of use expiring at 2032/34, Italy cannot make the 700 MHz band available for effective use for ECS before of 2022.

Italy think that:

- any transition should take in utmost consideration the national situation;
- according to the Radio Regulations principle (FIFS) the provision of WBS in the 700 MHz band by a neighbouring country should not adversely impact on the legitimate use of the same band by a broadcasting use in the neighbouring country. It is necessary to protect legitimate uses as long as 700 MHz band will be used for broadcasting service in a member State.