

bmcoforum response

To the draft RSPG opinion on EU Spectrum Policy Implications of the Digital Dividend

On bmcoforum

The **bmcoforum** is an industry forum with 78 major organisations representing all parts of the value chain of mobile broadcasting including broadcasting operators, mobile telecommunication operators, content providers, chipset manufacturers, infrastructure and handset manufacturers etc. The **bmcoforum** industry has managed to come together and to develop a framework for deployment of mobile broadcasting in Europe to the benefit of the European television consumers.

Comments on paragraph 4.3.

As the technology for mobile broadcasting is ready and the consumers require the service now, **bmcoforum** recommends providing spectrum for mobile TV on a national and on a European basis as one dedicated MUX in the UHF band prior to the digital switch-over and one additional MUX in the UHF band with the digital switch-over.

Comments on paragraph 4.10.

- 4.10.1. The spread of the channels across a significant portion of the UHF band and not being the same from country to country **does not hinder the introduction of first mobile broadcast services today.**
- 4.10.2. **bmcoforum** supports the consideration of harmonisation of a UHF sub-band for mobile broadcasting. For that, the following aspects must be taken into consideration:
 - a) **This must be studied on a pan-European level:** Only a pan-European sub-band could give a possibly more efficient and effective mobile broadcast ecosystem including terminals and networks.
 - b) **The study of a possible sub-band must not delay the market development of Mobile TV.**