

**Consultation on a Coordinated EU Spectrum
approach for Scientific use of Radio Spectrum
of the
Radio Spectrum policy Group**

Comments

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WorldDAB, the international forum for Digital Broadcasting based on the Eureka 147 standard, follows closely the review process undertaken by the EU regulatory framework for radio spectrum. To this end, WorldDAB welcomes the invitation to send preliminary comments designed to inform the Commission's thinking in preparing its report on the functioning of this regulatory framework.

Agenda Item 5.3 – Sharing Conditions

WorldDAB shares the Commission's views expressed regarding the importance of spectrum for scientific use.

However, after reviewing the draft opinion, it is clear that the possibility of providing complete protection to passive services from interference by broadcast services, when sharing spectrum, is impossible to generalize. The sharing of spectrum between these services would ultimately be detrimental to scientific uses.

It is the view of the WorldDAB Forum that sharing with the active services mentioned in this draft opinion with broadcasting services is impossible and therefore must be avoided.

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