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## **RADIO SPECTRUM POLICY GROUP**

## PEER REVIEW

## REPORT

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In the period covered by the 4<sup>th</sup> Peer Review Report, i.e. January  $1^{st}$  – December  $31^{st}$  2024, **5 RSPG members** have notified the RSPG pursuant to Article 35(1) and 23(2) of the Code about their intention to award spectrum in a frequency band harmonised for use at EU level in accordance with Decision No 676/2002/EC:

- Latvia on 3 January 2024 of the intention to undertake a selection procedure in order to assign the rights of use of spectrum bands 1734.80 MHz 1735.20 MHz / 1829.80 MHz 1830.20 MHz and 1759.80 MHz 1760.00 MHz / 1854.80 MHz 1855.00 MHz.
- Cyprus on 4 April 2024 of the intention to undertake a selection procedure in order to assign the rights of use of spectrum band 2100 MHz (1965 MHz – 1980 MHz / 2155 MHz – 2170 MHz).
- Finland on 16 September 2024 of the intention to undertake a selection procedure in order to assign the rights of use of spectrum band 700 MHz (703 MHz 733 MHz / 758 MHz 788 MHz) on Åland islands. The call for applications was issued in September 2024 after a public consultation on the terms and conditions of the network. Network licences will be granted through a comparative selection procedure. Finland had already started a comparative selection procedure for network licences for the 700 MHz band in Åland islands in December 2021 and notified it to the RSPG on 1 December 2021. However, on 14 February 2023, Finland informed the RSPG that the procedure had expired because the Government of Åland did not give its consent, required by the law, to the proposed network licences.
- Poland on 17 October 2024 of the intention to undertake n a selection procedure in order to assign the rights of use of spectrum band 700 MHz (703 MHz– 733 MHz / 758 MHz– 788 MHz) and 800 MHz (816 MHz 821 MHz / 857 MHz 862 MHz). There will be 6 lots of paired 5 MHz in the 700 MHz band and one lot of paired 5 MHz in the 800 MHz band.
- Slovenia on 24 June 2024 of the intention to undertake a selection procedure in order to assign the rights of use of spectrum band 700 MHz (733 MHz 736 MHz / 788 MHz 791 MHz) for business critical M2M communications over dedicated networks.

None of these Member States have requested a Peer Review Forum on the basis of Article 35 of the Code.

To increase transparency of Peer Review process a tag was activated on the RSPG website with the information on Article 35 of the Code notifications - <u>https://radio-spectrum-policy-group.ec.europa.eu/article-35-notifications\_en</u>. Data on notifications (the frequency band concerned and the additional information per Member State per notification) that were submitted as of January 2025.