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**29th Progress Report of the RSPG Sub-group
on Peer Review and Member State cooperation**

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The RSPG at its Meeting #67 (hybrid, 17th June 2025) approved the 28th Progress Report of the RSPG Sub-Group on Peer Review and Member State cooperation.

I. PEER REVIEW FORUM

Since the last RSPG Plenary Belgium and Austria made the notification 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.

Belgium notified the RSPG on 12 September about the publication on 10 September of the consultation on draft measures for the award of 2.8 GHz of spectrum at 26 GHz in 14 blocks of 200 MHz. The consultation ended on 3rd November. Belgium has not requested to convene a voluntary Peer Review Forum on the basis of Article 35 of the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC).

Austria notified the RSPG about a selection procedure in order to assign the rights of use of the spectrum bands 2300 MHz and 2600 MHz on 10 October 2025. The public consultation started on August 5th and ended on September 26th 2025. Austria requested to convene a voluntary Peer Review Forum on the basis of Article 35 of the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC). The Peer Review Forum will be held on 17 November 2025 in online format.

II. SUB-GROUP ACTIVITY

Since the last RSPG plenary meeting, the sub-group has held two online only Peer Review and Member State co-operation meetings on 10th July and 2nd September and an internal workshop on October 8th. These meetings focused on the future work of the PR sub-group and the stakeholder workshop in November. The discussions on the future work of the PR sub-group followed on from early discussions on the draft RSPG work programme 2026-2027, material arising from the Opinion on Satellite Matters and the Workshop on Governance on 16th June.

Regarding the work of the Subgroup, views expressed that joint co-ordinated awards would not be favoured due to different auction approaches. It was noted that stakeholders prefer if awards in different MS do not overlap in time.

The PR sub-group held an internal workshop online on 8th October focused on the 3.8-4.2 GHz band where the practices and proposed practices of a number of NRAs were presented and discussed. The internal workshop saw presentations from four MS (Austria, Spain, Sweden, France,) in relation to their initial concepts on demand and award processes for the 3.8-4.2 GHz band. Norway, an EEA country, presented on its

awards process in operation for a number of years. The speakers received numerous questions during the workshop. The discussion touched on the technical, regulatory, and licensing aspects of decision-making.

The workshop planned for November 14th in Brussels has two elements, the morning will be a workshop with Stakeholders, in the afternoon there will be a workshop on recent Polish 700 MHz awards. The stakeholder workshop arises as a response to the need to engage more with stakeholders in relation to our Peer Review process.