

5G

Spain: 5G tests to prove no DTT Interference

Source: Advanced Television

The Spanish government and telco operators are carrying out tests on the 700MHz frequency band to check that 5G services do not have any interference on DTT transmissions. [read more].

ITU to publish Post-5G Vision by 2023

Source: Policy Tracker

The Geneva-based body is set to publish a new "Technology Trends Report" as early as the first half of next year, and it anticipates releasing its complete "Vision" for systems "Beyond IMT2020" by 2023. [read more – subscription required].

BROADBAND

EU Connectivity Toolbox Addresses Permit Granting and Financial Incentives for Mobile Coverage

Source: Cullen International

Member states could consider a discount on spectrum fees in return for operators' commitments on mobile 5G deployments, according to the EU connectivity toolbox published on 26 March 2021. [read more – subscription required].

Mobile Termination Rates and Cost Model

Source: Cullen International

On 18 December 2020, the European Commission adopted a binding decision setting single maximum EU-wide voice termination rates in line with the European Electronic Communications Code. The EU-wide termination rates are expected to replace the regulated F/MTRs set by individual NRAs from 1 July 2021. [read more – subscription required].

REGULATION

EECC Transposition – Status

Source: Cullen International

EU member states had to transpose the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC, Tracker) into national law by 21 December 2020. [read more – subscription required].

POSTAL SERVICES

Glopal: Pressure is on for Postal Operators

Source: Post & Parcel

Time pressures is a key concern for postal operators introducing new procedures to prepare for the new EU import VAT regulations by 1 July 2021, according to a White Paper by Glopal – a provider of software solutions for managing cross border orders. [read more].

ECOMMERCE

25.5% of eCommerce in Europe is Cross-Border

Source: eCommerce News Europe

The online cross-border market in Europe was worth 146 billion euros in 2020. This is an increase of 35 percent compared to the situation one year before. The cross-border share represents 25.5 percent of total online sales in Europe. [read more].