

#### **TELCOS**

### Euro Telcos seek 'Big Tech' Network Funding

Source: Advanced Television

The CEOs of 13 major European telcos have issued a joint Statement calling on EU policymakers to align closely Europe's digital ambitions with a supportive policy and regulatory ecosystem, suggesting that 'big tech' platforms also contribute fairly to network costs. [read more].

# Analysys Mason's Predictions for Business Connectivity, Communications, IoT and Security in 2022

Source: Analysys Mason

2022 will see many pilots and trials of new 5G-related business services, but few commercial launches. The capabilities of 5G are well-understood, and the technology offers operators the opportunity to sell more services to enterprises. [read more].

## UK to phase out 2G, 3G Networks by 2033

Source: Advanced Television

The UK Government, together with UK mobile network operators, has announced a joint ambition for 35 per cent of the UK's mobile network traffic to be carried over open and interoperable Radio Access Network (RAN) architectures by 2030. [read more].

#### **SPECTRUM**

## **GSMA** and Academics seek more ways to quell EMF Worries

Source: Policy Tracker

In October, the mobile industry association GSMA published guidance on EMF exposure compliance policies for mobile network sites. [read more – subscription required].

## Sweden opens up Local Licensing in 3.7 GHz and 26 GHz Bands

Source: Policy Tracker

Sweden is the seventh country in Europe to implement a local 5G licensing regime. Applicants can apply for a total of 40 MHz in the mid-band and 400 MHz in the high band. Potential use cases for the licences include networks in mines, ports, warehouses and hospitals. [read more – subscription required].

# Radio Spectrum Policy Group aims at Legal Certainty in the sub-700 MHz Band beyond 2030

Source: Cullen International

The Radio Spectrum Policy Group (RSPG) plans to support the European Commission in shaping the long-term plans on the 470-694 MHz band use in Europe, considering likely post-2030 forecasts. The RSPG aims to deliver its final opinion on the issue by February 2023. [read more – subscription required].

### Preparing for WRC-23: Europe undecided so far on the



## Allocation of sub-700 MHz and upper 6 GHz Spectrum for Mobile

Source: Cullen International

Neither the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT) nor the Radio Spectrum Policy Group (RSPG) has so far supported identification of new spectrum bands for international mobile telecommunications (IMT, the acronym used by the ITU to refer to mobile broadband technologies such as 4G and 5G). [read more – subscription required].

### **REGULATION**

### EU Roaming Regulation Review: Wholesale Data Cap to be reduced to €1 per GB from mid-2027

Source: Cullen International

European Parliament and the Council reached a provisional agreement on the review of the EU Roaming Regulation, which will expire on 30 June 2022, in the early hours of 9 December 2021, during informal trilogue negotiations in the presence of the European Commission. [read more – subscription required].

# Italian Regulator to deregulate Fixed Origination Market and remove National Fixed Termination Price Control

Source: Cullen International

AGCOM, the Italian telecoms regulator, notified a draft decision that will deregulate fixed call origination and will align

fixed termination rates with the Commission delegated regulation on EU-wide maximum rates to the European Commission on 18 November 2021. [read more – subscription required].

# Ofcom to set the Criteria for Removal of Universal Service Public Payphones

Source: Cullen International

Considering the declining use of public payphones, mainly because of the increased availability and take-up of mobile services, Ofcom proposed new criteria for the removal of payphones that are no longer needed, while protecting those on which people still rely (estimated to number around 5,000 payphones). [read more – subscription required].

#### DMA

### The Last-Minute Amendments that could change the DMA

Source: Euractiv

The European Parliament's economic committee (ECON) could table up to six amendments introducing significant changes to the law to regulate internet giants. [read more].

**5**G

### Italy consults on its 5G Plan

Source: Cullen International

The Italian Ministry of Technology Innovation and Digital Transition (MITD) is consulting until 15 December 2021 on the Italian 5G plan. [read more – subscription required].