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## DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AND SERVICES

### EU Satellite Connectivity Project will have sufficient Spectrum, Panel says

Space has the potential to address key European Union priorities such as sustainability and the green and digital transitions, and there's enough spectrum to make one dream—secure connectivity—a reality, experts say. **Policy Tracker** ([read more](#) – subscription required)

### Austrian Operator Launches Fixed Wireless in 3.5 GHz Band using Network Slicing

Drei says it's the first operator to launch a commercial service with network slicing technology. Network slicing has long been touted as a major innovation that would be ushered in by 5G. By splitting up the network into different "slices", a mobile operator can tailor its network to different users with different requirements. **Policy Tracker** ([read more](#) – subscription required)

## DTT on the rise in Germany due to Mobile Usage

The number of households receiving DTT in Germany has increased by 31% to 5.7 million since 2019. The reason is the rising use via mobile and portable devices, such as PCs, laptops, handheld devices or in the car, according to a special analysis based on the German media authorities' survey "Video Trends 2022 – Results of the Digitisation Report Video" by market research institute Kantar for German DTT transmitter network operator Media Broadcast. **Broadband TV News** ([read more](#))

## Portuguese government says no risk for end of DTT

The Portuguese Government has provided assurances that DTT broadcasting will continue in the future. **Advanced Television** ([read more](#))

## ANACOM urges Operators to consider Cost of Living Crisis

The Portuguese telecommunications regulator is calling on the country's operators to "assess and mitigate" the impact of price rises on consumers. **Broadband TV News** ([read more](#))

## Spain: Smaller Telcos taking on FTTH Giants

Smaller Spanish telcos – namely Digi, Avatel and Finetwork – are increasingly gaining momentum in the country, reaching 1.45 million FTTH customers and snapping at the heels of the established operators. **Advanced Television** ([read more](#))

## DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DIGITAL SECTOR

### Digital Markets Act: Rules for Digital Gatekeepers to ensure Open Markets enter into force

On the 1<sup>st</sup> November, the EU Digital Markets Act (DMA) entered into force. The new Regulation will put an end to unfair practices by companies that act as gatekeepers in the online platform economy. **European Commission** ([read more](#))

## DEVELOPMENTS IN THE POSTAL SECTOR

### Australia Post: We are determined to ensure the Post is Financially Socially and Environmentally Sustainable

Australia Post has released its 2022 Annual Report which further underlines the structural challenges facing the business as letter volumes decline and more customers choose to access over-the-counter services online. **Post & Parcel** ([read more](#))

### COVID-19 Impacts on the European Postal Sector

Since February 2020, postal service providers have been managing the multiple impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on their operations and finances. **Cullen International** ([read more](#) – subscription required)