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DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AND SERVICES

Iceland joins Global Trend of Shutting Down 2G and 3G in 2025

Responses to the Icelandic regulator's consultation said the sunset of 2G and 3G services should be postponed by several years, but mobile operators are unwilling to keep them going that long. **Policy Tracker** ([read more](#) – subscription required)

Telekom Deutschland will remove Public Pay Phones by 2025

Telekom Deutschland announced in a blog entry how it will remove its public pay phones. Telekom already reduced the number of pay phones from 160,000 to around 12,000. **Cullen International** ([read more](#) – subscription required)

Europe launches the Second Phase of its 6G Research and Innovation Programme

The Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking (SNS JU) adopted its second Research & Innovation Work Programme (2023) to advance 6G research in Europe. **EU Commission** ([read more](#))

Commission adopts Revised State Aid Rules for Broadband Networks

The European Commission has adopted a revised Communication on State aid for broadband networks. The revised Broadband Guidelines set out the rules under which the Commission will assess State aid measures notified by Member States to support the deployment and take-up of broadband networks in the EU. **EU Commission** ([read more](#))

EU Radio Spectrum Policy Group keeps Priority for DTT

The EU's Radio Spectrum Policy Group has recommended broadcast and PMSE be given priority in the UHF Band until at least 2030. **Broadband TV News** ([read more](#))

DEVELOPMENT IN THE DIGITAL SERVICES SECTOR

Commission launches Public Consultation on the Implementation of the Digital Markets Act

The Commission launched a public consultation on the implementation of the Digital Markets Act ('DMA'). The consultation will last one month and will help shape the final Commission implementing regulation. **EU Commission** ([read more](#))

EU Digital Rights Declaration aims to ensure Connectivity and addresses Fair Contribution

The European Parliament, European Commission and the European Council signed the joint European declaration on digital rights and principles for the digital decade on 15th December 2022. **Cullen International** ([read more](#) – subscription required)

Digital Services Act: Commission launches Public Consultation on Methodology and Procedures to calculate Supervisory Fee

The Commission published a draft text for public feedback concerning the methodology and procedures to calculate the supervisory fee under the DSA. **EU Commission** ([read more](#))

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE POSTAL SECTOR

SingPost “Has also been bearing the Impact of Inflationary Cost Increases”

Singapore Post Limited (SingPost) will be raising postage, package delivery as well as doorstep parcel delivery rates from 1st January 2023 in tandem with the increase in Goods and Services Tax (GST) as well as exceptional inflationary cost increases across manpower, fuel and electricity.

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