

REGULATION

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Telecoms Code: smaller operators worry that co-investment provisions are too complicated

Co-investment commitments by SMP operators can be made binding by NRAs. In return, NRAs will not impose ex ante regulation for a prolonged period [[read more](#) – subscription required].

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AKOS includes 4 Mbps broadband in universal service

AKOS, the Slovenian telecoms regulator, included 4 Mbps broadband in the scope of the universal service obligation (USO) [[read more](#) – subscription required].

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New EU data protection rules to coexist with old e-privacy rules

The GDPR will coexist for some time with the existing e-Privacy Directive (ePD), leaving uncertainty for telecoms operators regarding issues covered in both sets of rules, such as the applicable fines [[read more](#) – subscription required].

SPECTRUM

Telecoms.com

Samsung kicks-off final meetings for 5G phase-1 standard

T Samsung Electronics is the official host of the meetings, which will bring together 1500 standards experts from chipset, handset and equipment vendors, as well as the MNOs, from May 21st to 25th [[read more](#)].

Policy Tracker

We must get spectrum sharing right for 5G, says former UK minister

Sharing spectrum and minimising spectrum waste are essential for a successful 5G story [[read more](#) – subscription required].

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TIM fast tracks 5G plans in San Marino

Telecom Italia (TIM) has announced another milestone in its quest to make San Marino the first 5G ready state in Europe [[read more](#)].

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Nordic nations unite to fast track 5G

The prime ministers of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden have signed a letter of cooperation calling on the Nordic nations to lead the world in the rollout of fifth generation (5G) mobile services [[read more](#)].

INTERNET

Broadband TV News

Poland maintains must carry/must offer rules

Poland's National Broadcasting Council (KRRiT) has maintained its position of July 30, 2013 regarding the obligation of operators and broadcasters in relation to the principle of must carry and must offer [[read more](#)].

Broadband TV News

In France, IPTV viewing equals DTT reception

For the first time in France, television viewing via the internet now equals reception of digital terrestrial television via the nation's TNT network [[read more](#)].

Ars Technica

Netflix and other online video are killing cable in customer satisfaction

TV watchers are far more satisfied with streaming video services than cable or satellite TV systems, a new survey has found [\[read more\]](#).

gathered on 18 May in Vancouver, Canada for the 2018 IPC Annual Conference [\[read more\]](#).

INNOVATION

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France to trial blockchain for spectrum management

The Agence National des Fréquences (ANFR) and start-up Blockchain Partner are preparing a limited trial of the technology using frequencies at 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz and in other bands [\[read more – subscription required\]](#).

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Cross network dynamic roaming key to IoT implementation

As the Internet of Things (IoT) plays an increasingly prominent role in our day-to-day lives, wireless connectivity will be crucial to ensuring its seamless integration, according to industry experts [\[read more\]](#).

MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS

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Comcast/Sky merger (pending case)

The European Commission will make a decision by 15 June 2018 on Comcast's (UK) proposed purchase of Sky (the UK) [\[read more – subscription required\]](#).

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Post and Parcel

Postal operator CEOs expect consumers will demand much faster delivery in five years' time

CEOs and senior executives from leading postal operators from America, Asia Pacific and Europe,