

## REGULATION

### Dutch Competition Authority supports Ex Ante Regulation of Online Platforms

Source: Cullen International

The Netherlands Authority for Consumers and Markets (ACM) supports introducing an “ex ante intervention mechanism to prevent anticompetitive behaviour by dominant companies acting as gatekeepers to the relevant online ecosystems” [[read more](#) – subscription required].

### Ofcom could fine Video-Sharing Apps

Source: Advanced Television

UK government is considering giving Ofcom powers to fine video-sharing apps and websites. The proposal would mean Ofcom could impose multi-million pound fines if the platforms have failed to prevent youngsters seeing pornography, violence and other harmful material [[read more](#)].

### Amateur Radio Sector concerned about Proposals for WRC-19 and WRC-23

Source: Policy Tracker

Amateur radio operators are pushing back against two proposals for consideration at WRC-23, along with several issues on the agenda for WRC-19 [[read more](#) – subscription required].

### Vodafone Idea CEO: We must nail 4G if we want to do 5G right

Source: Advanced Television

Speaking at the ET Telecom 5G Congress in New Delhi last week, Sharma said that it was crucially important to ensure that the country’s 4G networks were on the cutting edge of innovation, to ease the transition into 5G [[read more](#)].

## 5 G

### Survey: Australians need convincing of 5G

Source: Advanced Television

Research from Roy Morgan shows that the vast majority of Australians (91.4 per cent) are aware of 5G technology and a majority of 56.7 per cent ‘would consider using 5G as an alternative to the NBN’. However, fewer than half (46.9 per cent) ‘would seriously consider buying a 5G phone’ [[read more](#)].

## INTERNET

### 5G: Smart Connectivity for Europe’s Digital Transformation

Source: European Commission

The “fifth generation” of telecommunication systems will be a critical building block of our digital economy and society in the next decade [[read more](#)].

### How can Operators harness the True Power of 5G?

Source: Total Telecom

A new report from Cambridge Consultants suggests that mobile network operators must act now to safeguard their profitability in the 5G era [[read more](#)].

## INTERNET

## BT 'Seeks Assurance' on doubling FTTH

Source: Advanced Television

BT CEO Philip Jansen has visited the UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson, looking for assurance on ROI if it delivers on the PM's promise of 'full fibre broadband sprouting' in every premises [[read more](#)].

## New UK MVNO to boost Services for Britain's Hard of Hearing

Source: Total Telecom

A new mobile virtual network operator has launched in the UK, aimed at providing enhanced services to Britain's hard of hearing community [[read more](#)].

### POST

## German Ministry publishes Key Points on Major Revision of the Postal Act

Source: Cullen International

The German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy published on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2019 key points on a planned amendment of the Postal Act [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## Japan Post ends Saturday Delivery for Standard Mail

Source: Post & Parcel

A government panel has decided to end Saturday delivery for standard mail to deal with a labour shortage at Japan Post Co and a drop in demand due to increased use of the internet, reports Japan Today [[read more](#)].

## Australia Post to increase Basic Postage Rate

Source: Post & Parcel

Australia Post has lodged a draft notification with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) seeking an increase in the Basic Postage Rate (BPR) from \$1 to \$1.10 to apply from January 2020 [[read more](#)].