

## CONNECTIVITY TECHNOLOGY

### Europe proposes No Planning Permission Obligations for Small Cells

Source: *Telecoms.com*

The EC has created new market definitions for small cell equipment, also recommending the installation of these antenna should exempt from planning permission requirements. [[read more](#)].

## 5G

### Dutch 5G on the Way as Spectrum Auction Kicks-Off

Source: *Total Telecom*

Vodafone, T-Mobile and KPN will battle it out for spectrum in the 700, 1,400 and 2,100 MHz bands. [[read more](#)].

## BROADBAND

### ACM: Open Internet is of Great Importance for People and Businesses

Source: *ACM*

In Europe, internet providers must treat internet traffic equally. The enforcement of European net neutrality rules calls for constant attention, and, if necessary, for action by the Netherlands Authority for Consumers and Markets (ACM). [[read more](#)].

### Quality of Service about much more than Broadband Speed, says BEREC and OECD

Source: *Cullen International*

The Speakers and participants at a BEREC/OECD webinar highlighted the importance of considering measures other than broadband speeds when evaluating quality of service for electronic communications services. Other aspects of This document is for internal consumption only. Further distribution to third parties is strictly prohibited. broadband quality, such as latency, jitter and packet loss, should be measured, as well as coverage for mobile services. [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## COMPETITION

### Telenor Mobile Broadband Margin Squeeze 2020

Source: *Cullen International*

EFTA Surveillance Authority fined Telenor NOK 1.22bn (€0.12bn) for an abuse of dominance in the form of a margin squeeze because Telenor's wholesale mobile access prices in Norway were higher than the retail prices it charged its own residential users for standalone mobile broadband access services. [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## GREEN CREDENTIALS

### Legislators ask how Spectrum Management can help to fight Climate Change

Source: *Policy Tracker*

Leading telecoms firms and equipment vendors are beginning to put sustainability at the centre of their product strategies, but what are regulators around the world doing to monitor and encourage green developments? [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## Fully Electric, Zero-Emission Truck selected by 'Bring and Posten

Source: Post & Parcel

The Bring and Posten have chosen Volta Trucks for an exclusive trial of its forthcoming Volta Zero. The Volta Zero is the world's first purposebuilt full-electric large freight distribution vehicle, and the trial will support Bring and Posten's significant network of inner-city mail and parcel pick-up and drop-off locations. [[read more](#)].

### POST

## Royal Mail offers more Flexibility to Parcel Customers

Source: Post & Parcel

Royal Mail has launched new Inflight delivery options to offer greater convenience and flexibility for receiving customers. When retailers and other customers send items via Royal Mail Tracked, prior to deliver the recipient will receive a notification including an estimated delivery window and the Inflight delivery options. [[read more](#)].

## ACM: Parcel Delivery Market continues to grow, while Postal Market continues to shrink

Source: ACM

In 2019, the total volume of parcels that were sent increased by 12.83%. The growth trend in this market thus continues. The volume of letterbox-sized mail sent by consumers and businesses decreased in 2019, as in previous years. [[read more](#)].

## Royal Mail urges Review of Universal Service, announces Higher Prices because of US Terminal Dues

Source: Cullen International

Royal Mail, the universal service provider (USP) in the UK, has announced significant cost-reduction and business transformational measures in its annual financial report (April 2019 to March 2020). [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## SEKO: It's Time to act to protect Cross Border eCommerce

Source: Post & Parcel

Retailers, direct-to-consumer brands, marketplaces and marketplace sellers must take action now to protect their Cross Border e-commerce margins as Global postal rates into the U.S. get start to soar by as much as 150% from this month – because they will struggle to pass on additional costs to savvy online shoppers, according to SEKO Logistics. [[read more](#)].

### SPECTRUM

## EU Countries urged to assign 5G Spectrum Immediately

Source: Policy Tracker

Home Thierry Breton, the European commissioner responsible for the internal market and services, used the recent European spectrum management e-conference to urge EU member states to make more frequencies available. He said that only 20 per cent of Europe's harmonised 5G spectrum has been assigned. [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## Australian Regulator finds a Lack of Enthusiasm among Key Players for Dynamic Sharing Regime

Source: Policy Tracker

ACMA does "not intend to prioritise the development of a formal, ongoing dynamic spectrum access regime at this time" due to a lack of interest from spectrum holders, such as mobile network operators, the defence sector and satellite operators. [\[read more – subscription required\]](#).

### CONSUMER

## Support for Customers struggling to pay their Phone or Broadband Bill during the Pandemic

Source: Ofcom

If you're struggling to pay your phone or broadband bill during the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic, it's important that you

Speak to your provider as soon as possible to see how they can help. [\[read more\]](#).

### REGULATION

## Digital Services Act: European Parliament Legal Affairs Committee discusses Draft Report

Source: Cullen International

On 7 July 2020, the Legal Affairs Committee of the European Parliament (EP) discussed what should be included in the European Commission's future Digital Services Act (DSA - Digital Economy Tracker, Media Tracker), which will be proposed at the end of 2020. [\[read more – subscription required\]](#).