

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

CEPT/ECC Project Team FM22 on Spectrum Monitoring and Enforcement

The MCA participated in the 60th meeting of this group (FM22#60), held between the 26th and 29th September 2023. The meeting discussed aspects relating to various spectrum monitoring activities including, GNSS harmful interference, field strength measurement approaches, RF direction finding, indoor mobile coverage and radiated power measurements. The next meeting of FM22 is planned to take place in April 2024.

Meeting of the RSPG Sub Group of the ‘Good Offices’

The MCA co-chaired the meeting under reference, which was held on the 25th September. The discussions considered cross-border coordination issues concerning DAB and FM sound broadcasting services as well as electronic communications services operating in the 700 MHz band.

Preparatory Meetings for the ITU World Radio-Communication Conference 2023 (WRC-23)

The MCA participated in the last preparatory activities organised by CEPT/ECC and the ITU on WRC-23, which will be taking place in Dubai, UAE, between the 20th November and 15th December 2023.

The CEPT/ECC held its last preparatory meeting (CPG23-9) in Dublin, Ireland between the 18th and 22nd September 2023. CPG23-9 considered the progress of the work done by its various sub-groups and updated a number of CEPT Briefs on the various WRC-23 agenda items. The meeting has also approved 36 European Common Proposals (ECPs) which will be submitted for the work of WRC-23.

The ITU held its 3rd Inter-regional workshop on WRC-23 preparation between the 27th and 29th September 2023. The workshop gave the opportunity to the various regional groups to present their position on the different WRC-23 agenda items.

12th GSMA EMF Forum

The MCA participated in the [12th GSMA EMF Forum](#) on the 26th September 2023. During the Forum, the MCA presented the approach adopted in Malta towards the adoption of the latest ICNIRP 2020 EMF Exposure Guidelines as well as the latest IEC 62232 Industry EMF Measurement Standards. The MCA also presented the EMF monitoring activities carried out in relation to deployment of 5G networks as well as the ongoing EMF monitoring activities carried out by the

Authority in ensuring that operators of radio transmitting equipment abide with their obligations in terms of EMF exposure.

BEREC Workshop on End-Users' Empowerment through Environmental Transparency on Digital Goods and Services

The MCA participated in a BEREC workshop on empowering end-users through environmental transparency on digital products and services which was held on the 20th of September 2023. Amongst others, the speakers included representatives from BEUC, the European Environmental Bureau and the European Commission.

BEREC End Users Full Group Meeting

The MCA participated in the BEREC End-User full group meeting held on the 19th of September 2023, during which members were presented with an update on the work streams entrusted to the end-user group. During the meeting, the MCA also delivered a presentation on the measures being proposed in MCA's consultation on 'Price Indexation Clauses'.

BEREC/IRG 3rd Contact Network 2023

An MCA official participated in the 3rd BEREC/IRG Contact Network for 2023, held in Barcelona, Spain on the 14th and 15th September 2023.

The objective of the Meeting was to prepare for the 56th Board of Regulators (BoR) Meeting planned for the following month, in October. During the Meeting, the respective Expert Working Groups, the BEREC Office and the Commission presented to the CN members a number of updates on ongoing initiatives and BEREC deliverables.

Meeting of the ERGP Regulatory Framework Working Group

An MCA representative participated in a meeting of the European Regulators Group for Postal Services (ERGP) Regulatory Framework Working Group held on 12th September 2023. The meeting proceeded to discuss developments in postal universal service obligations across Europe, as well as the powers that National Regulatory Authorities have in regulating the postal sector. The Working Group is discussing these areas and compiling reports on its findings, as part of the work set out in the ERGP Work Programme for 2023.

ERGP Consumers and Core Indicators WG

The MCA participated in the ERGP Consumers and Core Indicators Working Group meeting on the 6th September 2023. During this meeting, the co-chairs presented an overview of the WG timeframes and discussed the Quality of Service and Core Indicators report to be presented to the CN. A few NRAs also made the following presentations:

- Slovenia presented information on its postal market;

- Serbia gave a presentation on models for improving competition;
- Romania delivered a presentation on the impact of eCommerce and parcel lockers in Romania.

BEREC Digital Markets WG Meeting on Large CAPs

An MCA official participated in a meeting that took place in Barcelona and was arranged by the BEREC DM WG. The discussion during this meeting addressed issues related to the PRD concerning large CAPs. The primary topic revolved around the responses received to a questionnaire aimed at evaluating the current and potential presence of these companies in various elements of the Internet ecosystem, including those closely linked to ECN/ECS. The responses provided valuable insights into how these companies operate, offering different services and products. At times, they collaborate with ECN and ECS providers, while at other times, they compete directly with them.

Additionally, the meeting focused on BEREC's feedback to the EC public consultation and the incorporation of data into the forthcoming BEREC Report on the entry of large content and application providers into the markets for electronic communications networks and services. There were also discussions about potential subjects and aspects for the upcoming BEREC workshop on international submarine connectivity in the EU, which is scheduled for September 19th 2023.

Summer Course on European Information Technology Law - Academy of European Law

An MCA official participated in a Summer Course on

European Information Technology Law organized by the Academy of European Law (ERA) in Trier, Germany. The course consisted of presentations, case studies and workshops covering the basics of EU internet law, IP, the EU legal framework for eCommerce in the IT sector, GDPR norms, smart contracts, cybersecurity, the EU legal framework for data and big data, alternative dispute resolutions in IT law and competition rules applicable to the IT sector amongst other. A highlight of the course was a visit to the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg where participants could follow the hearing of a case before the CJEU in a case between the Commission vs Poland and Czech Republic.

PUBLICATIONS

Press Release: Launch of Public Consultation on Proposed Preventative Measures to Mitigate CLI Spoofing and Vishing Scams

Published On: Sep 29th 2023 [News](#)

Consultation and Proposed Decisions: Preventative Measures to Mitigate CLI Spoofing and Vishing Scams

Published On: Sep 29th 2023 [Consultation](#)

MCA International News Week 24/25 2023

Published On: Sep 28th 2023 [News](#)

Consultation and Proposed Decision on the Review of GO plc's Application for Funding relating to the Provision of Universal Service Obligations on Electronic Communications Services during 2018

Published On: Sep 18th 2023 [Consultation](#)

Monthly Newsletter - July/August 2023

Published On: Sep 14th 2023 [News](#)

MCA International News Week 22/23 2023

Published On: Sep 13th 2023 [News](#)

Updating the Spectrum Management Frameworks for the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.5 GHz Bands designated for Terrestrial Systems capable of providing Electronic Communications Services

Published On: Sep 13th 2023 [Consultation](#)

Career Opportunity: Technical Specialist - Information Technology

Published On: Sep 12th 2023 [Recruitment](#)

End-User Affairs: Half Yearly Report (January – June 2023)

Published On: Sep 4th 2023 [End User Half
Yearly Report](#)