

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

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DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AND SERVICES

Google Cloud: ‘Telcos are at a Crossroads’

Last month Deutsche Telekom and Google Cloud teamed up to develop a network AI agent they claimed will improve RAN operations, called the RAN Guardian agent. **Telecom.com** ([read more](#))

Australia proposes Universal Outdoor Coverage Obligation

The Australian government has announced an obligation on all mobile operators to provide outdoor voice and SMS coverage across the country, calling it “a major world first reform”. **Policy Tracker** ([read more](#) – subscription required)

Satellite Spectrum and Regulation are Key Issues ahead of WRC-27

The explosion of low-earth orbit (LEO) satellites means the space industry needs much more spectrum to keep up with demand and bring broadband to underserved areas. **Policy Tracker** ([read more](#) – subscription required)

Vodafone and Ericsson cut 5G Energy Bill by a third in latest ‘Sleep Mode’ Trials

Vodafone UK and Ericsson have announced the successful completion of a new trial in London that puts 5G and 4G sites ‘to sleep’ when not in use. **Total Telecom** ([read more](#))

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DIGITAL SECTOR

ACM now authorized to investigate Compliance with the Digital Markets Act

The Netherlands Authority for Consumers and Markets (ACM) has powers to investigate compliance with the Digital Markets Act (DMA). This law seeks to create more opportunities for digital companies that are dependent on and that want to compete with the major digital platforms. **Authority for Consumers and Markets** ([read more](#))

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE POSTAL SECTOR

PostNord to cease handling Letters in Denmark

PostNord, previously the postal universal service provider in Denmark, has decided to stop handling letters after 30th December 2025. PostNord will also take down all of its current 1,500 mailboxes around the country and will stop selling postage stamps. **Post & Parcel** ([read more](#))

Alternative Operators are gaining Market Share in the Parcel Market and employing more Staff

Between 2019 and 2023, the European postal market was transformed by a continued decline in letter mail volumes, sustained growth in the parcels segment and significant changes in overall market structure. **Cullen International** ([read more](#) – subscription required)

Royal Mail: Customers don't need to go out of their way to drop off their Parcel

Royal Mail customers can now use one of the 115,000 postboxes in the UK to drop off smaller parcels and packets and still receive a proof of posting receipt, using the Royal Mail app. The process takes a couple of clicks and takes advantage of GPS and the customer's phone's location services to make getting a proof of posting as simple as possible. **Post & Parcel** ([read more](#))