

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

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## DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AND SERVICES

### European Industry Big Win: Germany, France both support sovereign EU-based tech infrastructure

The Eurostack initiative seeks to de-risk the continent on its over-reliance on US technologies in building a sovereign European tech infrastructure—from semiconductors and cloud services to platforms, social media, and artificial intelligence (AI)—spanning the entire value chain. **Euractiv** ([read more](#))

## DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DIGITAL SECTOR

### No Rules expected on 'Access to Land' in upcoming EU Telecommunications' Law

A senior EU official said on 9 April that the European Commission has no plans to include similar rules to those in its recent Gigabit Infrastructure Act (GIA) in the upcoming Digital Networks Act (DNA). It remains unclear whether the issue of speculative land acquisition for mobile infrastructure is widespread across the EU or limited to specific member states. **Euractiv** ([read more](#))

## DEVELOPMENTS IN THE POSTAL SECTOR

### Citizens Advice: Royal Mail's Unfair Price Hikes are making Post Less Affordable

More than two thirds of people (68%) think the increase in the price of a 1st class stamp over the past five years is unfair. From today, a 1st class stamp will cost consumers £1.70, more than double the amount it did in 2020 (76p). **Post & Parcel** ([read more](#))

## ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY IN TELECOM AND POSTAL SERVICES

### DPD: Electric HGVS have the Potential to become a viable Solution in the Future

Parcel delivery company DPD has confirmed it is conducting electric HGV road trials with MAN, with the aim of introducing heavy-duty electric trucks later this year. **Post & Parcel** ([read more](#))