

### INTERNATIONAL NEWS

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DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AND SERVICES

## European Parliament debates Strategic Dependencies in Communications Infrastructure

On 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025, the European Parliament plenary held a debate on "threats to EU sovereignty through strategic dependencies in communication infrastructure". **Cullen International** (read more – subscription required)

## Why Network Infrastructure needs a Rethink in the Age of Al and Edge Computing

Telecommunications infrastructure has evolved in response to growing demand. The surge in data traffic, the push for lower latency, and the rise of Al-driven applications are forcing operators to rethink how networks are built and managed. **Total Telecom** (read more)

## YouTube becoming "The New Television"

YouTube's CEO says viewing the platform on TV has now surpassed mobile and has become the primary device for YouTube viewing in the United States. "The "new" television doesn't look like the "old" television. It's interactive and includes things like Shorts, podcasts, and live streams, right alongside the sports, sitcoms and talk shows people already love." **Broadband TV News** (read more)

## DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DIGITAL SERVICES SECTOR

#### EU Commission endorses the integration of the Code of Practice on Disinformation into the Digital Services Act

On 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025, the European Commission announced that it endorsed the integration of the voluntary code of practice on disinformation into the Digital Services Act. **Cullen International** (read more – subscription required)

## DEVELOPMENTS IN THE POSTAL SECTOR

#### European Union Import Control System 2 extends to Rail and Road on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025

The European Union's Import Control System 2 (ICS2) aims to enhance the safety and security of goods entering the EU by introducing a standardised, pre-arrival customs process for all transportation modes. **Post & Parcel** (read more)

# ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY IN TELECOM AND POSTAL SERVICES

#### "Green" RANs could boost Energy Savings, Panel says

Mobile network operators (MNOs), vendors and spectrum regulators all have a role to play in making RANs more energy efficient, speakers said at the virtual "Green Network summit" on carbon neutral communications. **Policy Tracker** (read more – subscription required)

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#### Hived "The first Delivery Company to operate an All-Electric Delivery Network across the Middle and Final Delivery Mile"

The all-electric parcel delivery company HIVED has placed an order for 11 Mercedes-Benz eActros, as it expands the UK's only end-to-end electric delivery network, covering middle and final mile. **Post & Parcel** (read more)