Convergence and Spectrum Management

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Abstract

The current spectrum management is being scrutinized and the relationship between the convergence of services and the need to revise the current framework seems accurate and justified. Nevertheless, the need to revise the administrative rules and procedures will have to accept not only the existing already defined business cases but support the idea that such a move will contribute to identify a new regulatory context for other business cases.

The interpretation of the technological trends and the new services frontiers will reshape the business contexts and simultaneously the new regulatory framework. How will then be transposed in regulatory terms the current possibilities offered by evolution of technologies and services. Will this suppose service neutrality among fixed service designation, mobile services or digital contents services? Will this existing segmentation be flexible enough to encompass these new regulatory challenges? What about the current definitions given to services? Will the border given to mobile or nomadic services be sufficient to cover the new technological trends?

This presentation will try to open a window on what will be the questions raised by the revision of the current regulatory framework and on which criteria the relevant answers will have to be brought.