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**DEPLOYMENT OF BROADBAND
INFRASTRUCTURE
IN THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA –
TODAY AND TOMORROW**



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Broadband aspects, legislative review, priorities

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- Directive 2014/61/EU – implementation in national legislation
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Directive 2014/61/EU – transposition in national legislation

The proposed Draft Law on Electronic Communications Networks and Physical Infrastructure

- prepared in connection with the transposition of the provisions of Directive 2014/61/EU
- on measures to reduce the cost of deploying high-speed electronic communications networks
- updates regulations that set requirements for the deployment
- will reduce some of the procedures
- eliminates requirements for detailed plans

Draft Law on Electronic Communications Networks and Physical Infrastructure (1)

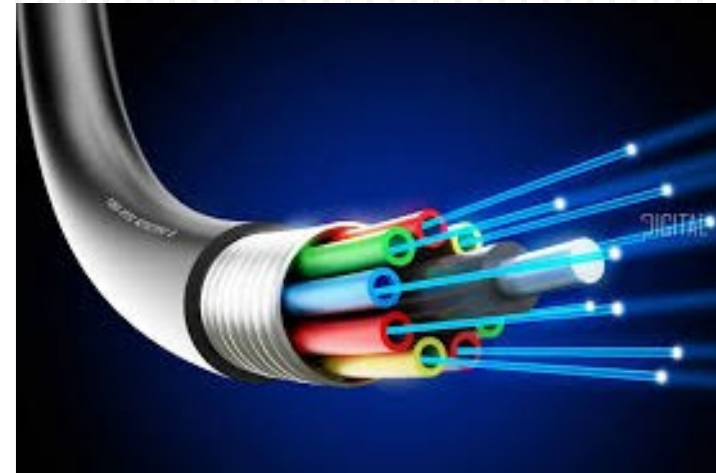
Structure

- **General provisions**
- **Objectives and principles**
- **Access to information regarding physical infrastructure**
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Draft Law on Electronic Communications Networks and Physical Infrastructure (2)

Strategic Objectives

- to facilitate and stimulate investment in the deployment
- to create the conditions for a more efficient and lower-cost construction
- to improve planning and coordination of the construction;
- to reduce the administrative burden
- to create conditions for simplification of administrative procedures
- to improve horizontal coordination



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Single Information Point

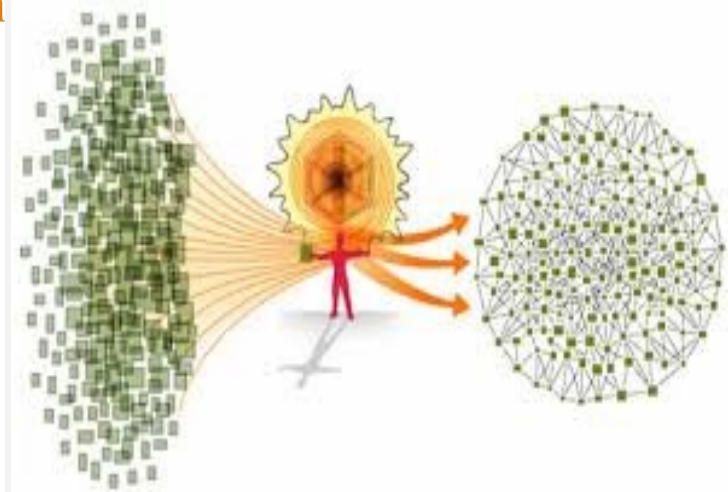
- essential for achieving the objectives of the law assigned to functions to maintain a single database with *updated information* to facilitate the coordination of joint construction and use of physical infrastructure and the deployment of electronic communications networks.



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Single Information Point – updated information for

- ❑ existing physical infrastructure
- ❑ planned and/or ongoing activities
- ❑ procedures and regulations governing the activities required for the deployment
- ❑ sample documents for obtaining permits and other acts
- ❑ criteria and deadlines
- ❑ contact details for all competent government authorities
- ❑ data
- ❑ notices for carrying out procedures for granting access



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Providing access to and sharing of physical infrastructure

- general rules for the deployment
- easements
- clear responsibilities between operators
- refuse access and sharing
- limited access



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Coordination of civil works

- minimum information for the planned civil works
- single information point
- foster synergies between operators



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Deployment of electronic communications networks and construction of the adjacent physical infrastructure

- exceptions from the Law on Spatial Planning (S1)
- activities relating to the coordination between operators (S2)

Section 1: 30 days for delivery of network operators, managing the physical infrastructure in the region, in coordination with the contracting entity

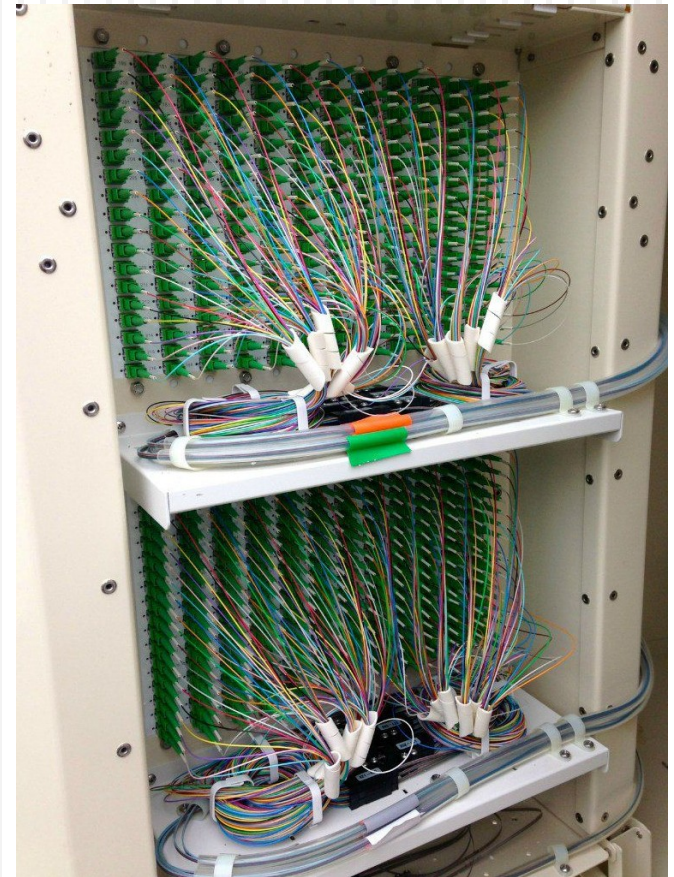
Section 2: rules for immediate troubleshooting, obligation of the operators to support



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Electronic Communications Networks and Infrastructure in Buildings

- governing the deployment of electronic communications networks in buildings
- easy access of the end user to services
- commitment in general repairs to provide infrastructure networks



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Settlement of Disputes

- **Communications Regulation Commission is appointed as a body for resolving disputes**
- **creation of a special commission in help of the Communications Regulation Commission**

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Control and Administrative Provisions

- specified bodies for specific activities, respectively: the Communications Regulation Commission; Minister of Transport, Information Technology and Communications; Mayor of the municipality
- proposed size of the corresponding fines and penalties for non-compliance of legal requirements



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Additional Provisions

- network operator
- physical infrastructure
- high-speed electronic communications network
- operator of an electronic communications network
- physical infrastructure in a building
- access point



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Expected results

- reduced administrative procedures
- less requirements for detailed plans
- more investments
- more efficient and lower-cost construction
- better planning and coordination
- improved horizontal coordination between different utility sectors
- to help overcome difficulties in the deployment of electronic communications networks in inaccessible areas



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