



"Future Regulation for Inclusive Connectivity"

International Conference ITU-EKIP Regional Regulatory Forum for EUROPE

30 September and 1 October 2019 Hotel Avala Resort & Villas, Budva, Montenegro

International Conference will be held from 30 September and 1 October in Budva, Montenegro, within the framework of the Festival of ICT Achievements – INFOFEST 2019 (INFOFEST 2019 Gala Opening takes place on 29 September 2019, 20:30 and is open to all participants of the Conference).

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This Conference is organised as a key feature of INFOFEST 2019. It is held within the framework of the ITU Regional Initiative for Europe on *Broadband infrastructure, broadcasting and spectrum management* that aims at facilitating the high-speed connectivity with resilient and synergistic infrastructure development, deployment and sharing, whilst ensuring a trusted and quality user experience. This event provides a unique opportunity for high-level dialogue between stakeholders on strategies and policies directed towards broadband development in the region, while discussing the challenges and opportunities offered by resilient high speed networks couple with regulatory actions that are flexible and collaborative. This event will also offer an opportunity for setting up particular actions to assist countries in need on regulatory matters.

AGENDA

Monday, 30 September 2019

9:30 - 10:30 **Opening Ceremony**

- Mr Branko Kovijanic, President of the Council, EKIP, Montenegro
- Mr. Jaroslaw Ponder, Head of the ITU Office for Europe, International Telecommunication Union
- H.E. Milan Srzentic, State Secretary, Ministry of Economy, Montenegro
- Ms. Fiona McCluney, UN Resident Coordinator in Montenegro

Statements of Regional Organisations

Ms. Mzia Gogilashvili, Representative of EaPeReg Chair for 2019

Welcome Remarks by Heads of the National Regulatory Authorities Present

- **Mr. Ilir Zela,** Executive Director, Agency for Electronic Communications and Post (AKEP), Republic of Albania
- Mr. Konstantin Tilev, Member of Communications Regulation Commission (CRC), Bulgaria
- Mr. Darko Josipović, Deputy President of the Council, Croatian Regulatory Authority for network industries (HAKOM), Republic of Croatia







 Mr. Marcin Cichy, President of the Office of Electronic Communications (UKE), Republic of Poland

Technical Agreement Signing Ceremony

- Signing of the technical agreement between the National Frequency Management Authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Republic of North Macedonia and Republic of Serbia
- Mr. Predrag Kovač, Director General, Communications Regulatory Agency (CRA), Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Mr. Sasho Dimitrijoski, Director, Agency for Electronic Communications (AEC),
 Republic of North Macedonia
- Mr. Vladica Tintor, Director, Regulatory Agency for Electronic Communications and Postal Services (RATEL), Republic of Serbia
- Mr. Darko Grgurović, Executive Director, Agency for Electronic Communications and Postal Services (EKIP), Montenegro

10:30 - 11:30 Session 1: Global and Regional Trends in Evolution of ICT Policies and Regulatory Frameworks for Inclusive Connectivity

This sessionwill address the current trends in the ICT Policy and regulatory frameworks in the international context. The European Approach to ICT policies will be addressed from the point of view of regional organisations, national ministries and regulatory authorities, with particular emphasis on Western Balkans Countries and their inclusion of non-European Union countries.

Moderator

• Mr. Jaroslaw Ponder, Head of the ITU office for Europe

Broadband Commission's Message

 Mr. Marcin Cichy, President of the Office of Electronic Communications, Poland, UKE and Commissioner of the United Nations Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development

Panellists

- Ms. Nancy Sundberg, Senior Programme Officer, BDT, ITU Collaborative regulation in the digital economy
- Ms. Inga Popovici, Chair of IRB EWG of EaPeReg
- Mr. Paul Foley, Tech4i2, United Kingdom
 Insights to the digital economy and electronic communications in the Western Balkans

11:30 - 12:00 Group Photo and Coffee Break

12:00 - 13:00 Session 2: 5G National Strategies, Policies and Pilot Projects that Drive Inclusive Connectivity

This session will focus mainly on innovative pilot projects born recently in the 5G sector. Projects from mobile operators, public institutions, academia and the European Union will be presented. Following presentations, a short open discussion will provide the place to share challenges, best practices and comments from the audience.

Moderator

Ms. Nancy Sundberg, Senior Programme Officer, BDT, ITU

Panellists







- Mr. Marcin Cichy, President of the Office of Electronic Communications (UKE), Republic of Poland
 5G Implementation
- Mr. Mazzone, Giacomo, European Broadcasting Union (EBU)
- Mr. Franco Accordino, European Commission (EC)
- Ms. Vanesa Čačković, Ericsson Nikola Tesla, Republic of Croatia
 5G today: Trends and Insights

13:10 - 13:30 INFOFEST: Company Presentation

Ibis Instruments & ATDI Eurasia, Ms. Sanja Lasica, Mr. Fiodor Stankevitch,
 Spectrum management and QoS in 5G and Gigabit Society

13:30 - 15:00 Lunch Break

15:00 - 16:10 Session 3: Spectrum Policy Supporting European Gigabit Society Development

This session will focus on the shifting spectrum landscape in the context of the upcoming WRC-19 and 5G rollout. In particular, the opportunities and challenges encountered by countries as well as the point of view from the European Institutions in the topics of regulations and policies challenges and opportunities to develop high-speed connectivity for society will be discussed.

Moderator

• Mr. Boris Jevrić, Deputy Executive Director, EKIP

Panellists

- Mr. Daniel Gueorguiev, Public Policy Manager Europe, Russia and CIS (GSMA)
- Mr. Walid, European Broadcasting Union (EBU)
- Mr. Elvis Babačić, EKIP, Montenegro
 QoS of mobile networks and Spectrum Policy for 5G in Montenegro
- Ms. Janja Varšek, AKOS, Slovenia
 Current activities of the Agency regarding implementation 5G

16:10 - 16:30 Coffee break

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- Mr. Goran Laovski, RATEL, Republic of Serbia
 5G in Serbia challenges and opportunities
- **Ms. Galya Blateva,** Radio Spectrum Management Directorat, CRC Bulgaria The preparation of Bulgaria for the new horizon in the communications (5G) —







radio frequency spectrum management, Head of Department Terrestrial Mobile Networks

Ms. Julijana Jančula Bauer, Mr. Krešimir Mazor, HAKOM, Republic of Croatia
 RF Spectrum Allocation for 5G in the Republic of Croatia

Tuesday, 1 October 2019

9:30 - 10:45 Session 4: Innovative Approaches to Boost Investment in the Gigabit Infrastructure

This session will present the status of the investment gap in telecommunications in Europe. The session will present both public and private perspectives on how close the gap as well as practical case studies (EC + Georgia) on policies aimed at fostering investment in connectivity.

Moderator

• Mr. Pavle Mijušković, Deputy Executive Director, EKIP

Panellists

- Mr. Vitomir Dragaš, General Manager for Electronic networks and services, EKIP, Montenegro
 - Development of Broadband in Montenegro
- **Mr. Domagoj Jurjević**, M2E savjetovanje, Republic of Croatia Regulation of Dark fibre in the light of the introduction of 5G services and expected significant increase of the data traffic
- Mr. Tomaž Šturm, AKOS, Slovenia
 Presentation of publicly available GEOPortal aimed for fostering investments
- Mr. Nedžad Eminagić, RAK, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 The need for regulatory intervention to integrate socially vulnerable and neglected populations into digital society
- Mr. Boris Arsov, AEC, Republic of North Macedonia
 Multilayer mapping of the TK fix infrastructure in North Macedonia

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:30 Session 5: Emerging Issues in Regulation Fostering Inclusive Connectivity

This session will aim at highlighting the regulatory issues in the broad ICT domain including, among other, the implementation of the EECC, with views from industry associations, regulators and relevant institutions. The increasing demand and dependence on connectivity will be addressed vis a vis the changing regulatory landscape.

Moderator

Ms. Nancy Sundberg, Senior Programme Officer, BDT, ITU

Panellists

- Mr. Oliver Fug, Director of Competition and Regulation, European Competitive Telecommunications Association
 Emerging Issues in Regulation Fostering Inclusive Connectivity
- Ms. Vera Julia Major, Government and IGO Engagement, Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)
 "Internet in your language: IDNs and Universal Acceptance"







- Ms. Ana Skočić, Ms. Nataša Vučelić, RATEL, Republic of Serbia Independence of RATEL and regulatory challenges in the process of harmonization with Acquis
- Ms. Vesna Gaspar, Ms. Željka Kadrum Ban, HAKOM, Republic of Croatia Regulators' role regarding the security of networks and services in the electronic communications sector
- Ms. Sabine Loebnig, Deputy Director Communications & Regulations, Mobile & Wireless Forum

12:30 - 13:00 **Conclusion and Closing Ceremony**

- ITU
- Darko Grgurovic, Executive Director, EKIP
- 13:45 **Social Event for all Participants of the Conference**































































