

Letter of Understanding
regarding cooperation between
ECC (Electronic Communications Committee)
and EUMETSAT (European Organisation for the
Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites)

This Letter of Understanding (LoU) is entered into by the Electronic Communications Committee (ECC) of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT) and the European Organisation for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites (EUMETSAT), both referenced hereunder as a "Signatory" or collectively as "Signatories", with a view to structure and strengthen their relationships and to foster a closer cooperation.

WHEREAS:

A. The ECC is a committee composed of governmental bodies, which was established by the CEPT, in order to consider and develop policies on electronic communications activities in European context, taking account of European and international legislation and regulations;

B. EUMETSAT is an intergovernmental organisation whose primary objective is to establish, maintain and exploit European systems of operational meteorological satellites, taking into account as far as possible the recommendations of the World Meteorological Organisation. A further objective of EUMETSAT is to contribute to the operational monitoring of the climate and the detection of global climatic changes;

C. The ECC is the recognised committee in Europe responsible for developing harmonisation measures, common policies and regulations regarding the use of radio spectrum and the satellite orbits across Europe. It also prepares common European proposals to represent European interests in the radio communication sector of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU);

D. The EUMETSAT Frequency Management Office (FMO) is responsible for implementing all frequency management and coordination activities within and for EUMETSAT, and for voicing the Organisation's interests in regulatory or user fora dealing with access to frequency spectrum;

C. The Signatories have a common interest in ensuring the most efficient use and management of the radio spectrum for all radio applications;

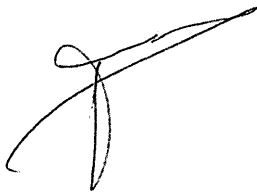
The Signatories agree to co-operate as follows:

1. The Signatories agree to seek, to the maximum extent possible, a common European approach concerning the use of the radio-frequency spectrum.
2. The Signatories may agree to exchange any relevant information, free of charge. Relevant working documents from either Signatory may be made available to the other Signatory on request. The dissemination by one Signatory of the documents received from the other Signatory will be limited to the members of the relevant part of the receiving Signatory, and solely for the purpose of the activities relating to the Signatory's work programme.
3. Any sharing of proprietary information between the Signatories will be subject to their respective policies and procedures relating to the disclosure of information.
4. All copyright, and other intellectual and industrial rights embodied in documents exchanged between the Signatories and any copies thereof, remain with the originating Signatory and extend to all media in which the information may be

embodied. Any reference to these documents shall be submitted to the agreement of the originating Signatory prior communication to other bodies.

5. The ECC Chairman and the Head of the EUMETSAT FMO, or any substitutes designated by them, shall meet periodically at their convenience.
6. Participation of one nominated Observer, or a substitute, from EUMETSAT is normally permitted at meetings of the ECC and its subordinate groups.
7. Participation of one nominated representative from ECC is normally permitted at meetings of the EUMETSAT FMO.
8. Observers or representatives from both Signatories shall, to the extent permitted by the relevant Signatory's organizational statutes and rules, be entitled to participate fully in discussions on relevant work items, and may submit written contributions, but shall not be party in the decision making process.
9. EUMETSAT, through its FMO, may submit proposals to the relevant CEPT/ECC Body. They will be considered under the normal CEPT/ECC process.
10. This LoU shall enter into force upon signature by both Signatories and shall remain in force for three years. The LoU shall be automatically renewed for further one-year periods unless otherwise agreed by the Signatories. The LoU can be terminated by either Signatory by giving three months written notice to the other Signatory.
11. The contact points for the implementation of this LoU shall be the ECC Chairman and the Head of the EUMETSAT FMO. Decisions regarding the implementation of this LoU will be taken jointly by the ECC Chairman and the Head of the EUMETSAT FMO.
12. Any changes to this LoU must be made in writing by the Signatories.
13. Any dispute arising from the interpretation or application of this LoU that cannot be settled by the Signatories may, upon written consent of both Signatories, be submitted to conciliation, mediation, arbitration or other form of dispute resolution.

Agreed for the ECC by



Eric Fournier
Chairman ECC

Agreed for EUMETSAT by



Alain Ratier
Director-General of EUMETSAT

Date:

7/3/18.

Date:

8 March 2018