

Letter of Understanding
Regarding co-operation between
The ECC and the PSCE Forum

The Parties,

The Electronic Communications Committee (ECC) of the Conférence Européenne des Administrations des Postes et des Télécommunications (CEPT),

and

Forum Public Safety Communication Europe (PSCE Forum),

having noted the need to establish a close working relationship in order to foster co-operation.

Recognising that:

- ECC is an organisation of governmental bodies, hence with limited possibilities to enter binding agreements with a private association, and
- The PSCE Forum is established in order to facilitate global consensus on key public safety communication and information management systems issues between all stakeholders.

And considering that:

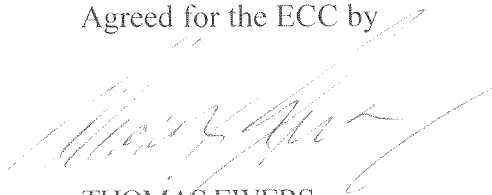
- ECC considers and develops policies on electronic communications activities in a European context and is the recognised organisation in Europe responsible for the efficient use of the radio spectrum, satellite orbits and numbering resources, so as to satisfy the requirements of the users, and
- the PSCE Forum is to foster, by consensus building, excellence in the development and use of public safety communication and information management systems to improve the provision of public safety services and the safety of the citizens of Europe and the rest of the world.
- ECC and the PSCE Forum have the common interest in ensuring the most efficient use and management of the radio frequency spectrum, including the development of policies and strategies for optimal use of spectrum for public safety applications in Europe;

Agree to co-operate as follows:

1. ECC and the PSCE Forum agree to exchange information and seek, to the extent possible, a common European approach concerning the use of radio frequencies in particular in the field of Public Safety Communications. The two parties may exchange as appropriate, free of charge, any information on programs of work in areas of mutual interest.
2. The two Parties may exchange as appropriate, free of charge, any information on programs of work in areas of mutual interest.
3. Copies of relevant working documents from either Party shall be made available to the other Party on request. The dissemination by one Party of the documents received from the other Party will be limited to the members of the relevant part of the receiving Party, and solely for the purpose of the activities relating to the Party's work program.
4. All copyright and other intellectual and industrial rights embodied in documents exchanged between ECC and the PSCE Forum and any copies thereof remain with the originating Party 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 Party prior to communicating the said material to other bodies.
5. The ECC Chairman and the PSCE Forum Chairman should meet periodically at their convenience. Chairmen of ECC subordinate bodies and other concerned PSCE Forum groups may participate in these meetings as appropriate and will be invited accordingly.
6. Participation of one nominated Observer, or a substitute, from the PSCE Forum is normally permitted at meetings of the relevant ECC Working Groups, Task Groups or Project Teams dealing with issues which are of mutual interest.

7. In order to maintain sufficient identity of objectives, an Observer from ECC shall be regularly invited to relevant plenary meetings of the PSCE Forum. An ECC Observer may also be invited to attend, as appropriate, the relevant parts of meetings of other PSCE Forum bodies.
8. Observers shall, to the extent permitted by the relevant Party'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 part of the decision making process.
9. The PSCE Forum may submit proposals to the relevant ECC body. These shall be adopted subject to the normal ECC process for approval of new work items and outputs.
10. This Agreement shall last for three years and may be renewed by mutual consent. On its expiry, the Agreement shall be automatically renewed for further one-year periods unless otherwise agreed by the Parties. Either Party on giving three months written notice prior to the expiry date can terminate the Agreement.
11. The practical contacts and decisions for the application of this Agreement will be taken between the ECC Chairman and the PSCE Forum Chairman

Agreed for the ECC by



THOMAS EWERS
ECC Chairman

Date: 25 02 08

Agreed for the PSCE Forum by



GUY WEETS
Chairman of the PSCE Forum

Date: 14 January 2008