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THE ITU WORLD RADIOCOMMUNICATION CONFERENCE 2015 (WRC-15)

Joint European Commission-CEPT Workshop

Room 1083, Bundesnetzagentur, Canisiusstrasse 21,

55122 MAINZ

April 14, 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are hereby kindly invited to participate in a second public workshop jointly organised by the European Commission and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT) on the European preparations for the ITU WRC-15 conference. **The general agenda for this workshop is attached**.

Access to the radio spectrum is a critical requirement for many sectors including ECS, broadcasting, transport, the military, environment, research, space and civil protection. The management of this scarce and valuable natural resource can have significant societal and economic impacts and has an international dimension. Common interests within Europe are addressed effectively by cooperation between Member States and the EU Commission in accordance with the Spectrum Decision and based on the results of the work of CEPT.

Beyond Europe, a global coordination of spectrum use has substantial benefits. This is undertaken under the umbrella of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU), a United Nations agency with the mission to maintain and extend international cooperation for the improvement and rational use of telecommunications of all kinds. The ITU holds the World Radiocommunication Conference, a process aimed at periodically adapting the international regulatory framework of spectrum usage to the changing needs of the various radiocommunication services and applications. The next World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-15), the culmination of several years of preparatory work, will be held in Geneva from 2nd to 27th November 2015. CEPT has intensively participated in the preparatory work for this Conference and has developed briefs, European positions and draft European Common Proposals. This preparatory work is now entering its final stage.

The EU electronic communications framework legislation also enables the Commission, where necessary to ensure the effective coordination of the interests of the European Community in international organisations competent in radio spectrum matters, and taking utmost account of the opinion of the Radio Spectrum Policy Group, to propose common policy objectives to the European Parliament and the Council.

Therefore, as well as developing better understanding of the global context of spectrum management, the main objective of this second workshop is to present the preparatory work to date in the EU and CEPT contexts and request participants reaction in order to provide an input to CEPT in the finalisation of the European Common Proposals to the WRC-15 and to assist in confirming the EU policy objectives.

The workshop will be held at the premises of the Bundesnetzagentur on April 14th from 10.00 to 16:00h (Room 1083), Canisiusstrasse 21, 55122 Mainz)

You will need to register to attend this workshop. You may do so until 10th April included via the following link:

 $\underline{http://www.cept.org/ecc/groups/ecc/non-ecc/client/meeting-calendar/event-registration?meetingid=1389}$

Please note that there is a maximum of places available and that the registration closes earlier, if the limit is reached.

Yours Sincerely,

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