

## REGULATION

### Ofcom

*Implementing Ofcom's decisions on the 57 – 71 GHz band*

Ofcom is consulting on a proposal to make new regulations by statutory instrument. The new regulations change and extend the existing technical conditions and exemption from the requirement to obtain a Wireless Telegraphy Act licence for short-range devices and fixed wireless systems [[read more](#)].

## SPECTRUM

### Cullen International

*Denmark launches multiband spectrum auction in the 700 MHz, 900 MHz and 2.3 GHz bands*

The Danish Energy Agency (ENS), the national regulatory body responsible for spectrum management, published the final auction rules for the forthcoming award of frequencies in the 700 MHz, 900 MHz and 2.3 GHz bands [[read more](#) – subscription required].

### European Commission

*Study on Fixed and Mobile Convergence in Europe 2017*

This study examines FMC from the perspective of increasing European broadband connectivity through dense small cell networks. The analysis focuses on the practical side of 5G networking in terms of assuring quality of service and encouraging EU-wide coverage through regulatory obligations for mobile broadband. The study examines the quality of service indicators along with the whole framework necessary to introduce such a major transformation [[read more](#)].

### Total Telecom

*Poland kicks off 5G process*

Poland's telecom regulator has begun the 5G licensing process by opening a consultation into the possible use of the various available spectrum bands [[read more](#)].

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*Sweden relaunches 700 MHz spectrum auction*

On 4 July 2018 the Swedish regulator PTS published the final auction rules for the forthcoming award of frequencies in the 700 MHz band. The award covers 2x20 MHz paired and 20 MHz unpaired SDL frequencies. The remaining 2x10 MHz block is reserved for DTT until end 2018 and its future use will be decided separately [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## INTERNET

### Total Telecom

*Deutsche Telekom to spend €1.1bn on flagship fibre project*

Deutsche Telekom will spend up to €1.1 billion on a project to roll out extensive fibre infrastructure in the region of Stuttgart in cooperation with local authorities [[read more](#)].

### Advanced Television

*Comcast puts restrictions on mobile video quality*

Comcast, a US telco company, has warned its mobile subscribers – even those on an unlimited plan – that they will start seeing video quality drop from 720p to 480p when streamed using mobile data [[read more](#)].

## INFORMATION SOCIETY

### European Commission

*Projects and Preparatory Actions Promoted by the European Commission for Increasing Training in Digital Skills*

The European Commission is promoting various initiatives aimed at increasing training in digital skills for the workforce and for consumers - modernising education across the European Union, harnessing digital technologies for learning and for the recognition and validation of skills together with anticipating and analysing skills needs [[read more](#)].

## ECOMMERCE

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*BIPT to take actions to increase the development of e-commerce in Belgium*

BIPT, the Belgian regulator, continues to investigate how to promote the development of e-commerce in Belgium for the benefit of all stakeholders, in particular consumers. The regulator wants to ensure that Belgian consumers buying online from anywhere in the world have access to clear and comprehensive information on their rights and obligations [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## POST

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*Parcel operators may have to contribute to postal universal service funds*

The Court of Justice of the EU (CJEU) made its preliminary ruling decision on 31 May 2018, interpreting the Postal Services Directive. Case C-259/16 involved the *Confederazione Generale dei Trasporti e della Logistica* (Confetra), AGCOM, and the Italian Ministry of Economic Development [[read more](#) – subscription required].

