

## REGULATION

### **AGCOM to reduce mobile termination rates by 30% over the next two years**

Source: Cullen International

AGCOM, notified to the European Commission its proposals for the review of the mobile call termination market (market 2/2014) on 16 October 2018. The regulator set a glide path for the mobile termination rates (MTRs) reaching 0.70 €cents/min in 2021 [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## SPECTRUM

### **GSMA issues 5G spectrum warning a year before WRC-19**

Source: Policy Tracker

In a public policy position on 5G spectrum, the GSMA said that governments were delaying societal and economic gains by not allowing sufficient access to spectrum and not creating favourable market conditions for 5G [[read more](#) – subscription required].

### **Germany launches auction of the 2 GHz and 3.4–3.7 GHz bands for 5G**

Source: Cullen International

BNetzA, the German regulator, published on 26 November 2018 the rules for the auction of 420 MHz of spectrum for 5G networks – the entire 2x60 MHz of paired spectrum in the 2 GHz band and 300 MHz of unpaired spectrum from 3.4 to 3.7 GHz [[read more](#) – subscription required].

### **GSMA warns Germany to heed concerns over 5G spectrum auction**

Source: Total Telecom

The GSMA has warned German regulators to listen to industry concerns over the country's proposed spectrum auctioning process, or risk jeopardising its 5G future [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## INTERNET

### **Ofcom wants 'competing, nationwide fibre networks', as FTTH investment booms**

Source: Total Telecom

The UK requires an open and competitive regulatory environment to facilitate the growth and development of competing full fibre networks, according to senior figures at Ofcom [[read more](#) – subscription required].

### **Openreach to roll out ultrafast Gfast services to 1 million customers**

Source: Total Telecom

Openreach has announced plans to extend its ultrafast network footprint by rolling out Gfast services to a million homes and businesses across the UK [[read more](#) – subscription required].

## INFORMATION SOCIETY

### **Boosting women in digital is imperative for Europe's**

## economic and societal success | Digital Single Market: New EU rules allow Europeans to shop online without borders

Source: European Commission

Commissioner Mariya Gabriel outlined her "Women in Digital" strategy and the actions that are in place to promote more women and girls' participation in the digital sector in her speech at the Women in Tech summit [\[read more\]](#).

Source: European Commission

On 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018, the new regulation proposed by the European Commission in May 2016 to end unjustified geoblocking online, will enter into force. Europeans will not have to worry about a website blocking or re-routing them just because they, or their credit card, come from a different country [\[read more\]](#).

### ECOMMERCE