

#### REGULATION

### Council Agrees its Position on the EU Consumer Law Review

Source: Cullen International

On 1 March 2019, member states' ambassadors meeting in the Council's Permanent Representatives Committee (Coreper) agreed on the Council's position on the proposed directive on better enforcement of existing EU consumer rules [read more – subscription required].

# Vodafone: UK MNOs must have Access to Openreach's Dark Fibre

Source: Total Telecom

While Ofcom's focus on securing duct and pole access for the UK's MNOs has been well received, Vodafone says that the UK regulator must do more to secure access to Openreach's fibre network for mobile backhaul operations [read more].

#### **SPECTRUM**

### Austria's 3.5 GHz Auction Raises €188 Million

Source: Policy Tracker

Austria has sold 3.4-3.8 GHz spectrum to three national mobile operators and four regional players, generating a total of €188 million [read more – subscription required].

### **Greek Regulator Outlines 5G Spectrum Distribution Plans**

Source: Policy Tracker

Greek regulator EETT has revealed which spectrum bands are to be assigned for 5G in the country, along with its spectrum distribution plans for 2019 and subsequent years [read more – subscription required].

#### SK Telecom and Deutsche Telekom Sign 5G MoU to Fast Track Network Rollout

Source: Total Telecom

Korean telecoms SK Telecom has signed a 5G network development agreement with Pan-European telco, Deutsche Telekom, to speed up the rollout of next generation mobile networks in Germany and Korea [read more].

#### **INTERNET**

## Report: Global Fixed Broadband Subs at 1.2bn by 2025

Source: Advanced Television

The markets and technologies which will drive continued rapid broadband growth over the next decade have been revealed by Broadband Forum and Point Topic in a report which predicts there will be 1.2 billion fixed broadband subscribers by 2025 [read more].