

REGULATION

Italian regulator proposes geographically differentiated markets and remedies in fixed wholesale broadband access markets (3a and 3b/2014)

Source: *Cullen International*

The proposals of Italian regulator AGCOM for regulating the fixed wholesale local and central access markets (3a and 3b/2014) in the period 2019 to 2021 include: (i) deregulating TIM in Milan (ii) imposing geographically differentiated remedies on TIM with lighter obligations in more competitive areas (iii) including VULA in market 3a (iv) assessing TIM's model of separation and equivalence of treatment based on the equivalence of input (Eol) concept and (v) setting the monthly rental fees for the key wholesale access products [[read more](#) – subscription required].

Regulators look at next priority: Vertical Industries

Source: *Policy Tracker*

Vertical industries are growing increasingly interested in the potential efficiency, quality and performance gains that 5G might offer and have many ideas for transformational business propositions based on its improved speed, ultra-low latency and reliability [[read more](#) – subscription required].

INTERNET

Commission welcomes Agreement on Digital Europe Programme for 2021-2027

Source: *European Commission*

The European Parliament and the Council of the European Union reached a provisional political agreement on the first-ever Digital Europe programme, part of the EU's long-term budget presented by the Commission [[read more](#)].

INNOVATION

Building the Subsea Networks of the Future

Source: *Total Telecom*

International governments are being asked to play a more prominent role in the raising of finance for subsea connectivity projects [[read more](#)].

Port of Marseille steps up Digitalisation with Launch of New Cable Landing Solution

Source: *Total Telecom*

The Port of Marseille has announced that it will construct a new subsea cable landing infrastructure, providing a plug and play interface for subsea cables arriving in the French port city [[read more](#)].

TELEVISION

Vodafone to trial TV via 5G in Germany

Source: *Broadband TV News*

Vodafone Deutschland and regional public broadcaster WDR will test how TV and video-on-demand (VOD) content can be broadcast via 5G in Germany [[read more](#)].

ECOMMERCE

2018's state of Cross-border eCommerce in Europe

Source: eCommerce News

Cross-border ecommerce is becoming increasingly popular in Europe. Of the parcels bought cross-border last year, 38 percent were purchased from China. And consumers prefer more and more to shop across the borders using their smartphones [\[read more\]](#).

Digital Single Market: EU Negotiators agree to set up new European Rules to improve Fairness of Online Platforms' Trading Practices

Source: European Commission

On 13th February 2019, the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union and the European Commission reached a political deal on the first-ever rules aimed at creating a fair, transparent and predictable business environment for businesses and traders when using online platforms [\[read more\]](#).

POST

PTT to launch Drone Delivery for Turkey

Source: Post & Parcel

Turkey's state-run postal service PTT aims to launch a drone delivery system in 2019, its head said according to Turkish news source Yeni Şafak [\[read more\]](#)