

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

RSPG Subgroup Meeting of its ‘Good offices’

The MCA co-chaired the RSPG Subgroup meeting which was held on the 31st May, 2024. The meeting continued assessing cross-border interference difficulties affecting the provision of sound broadcasting and wireless broadband services in the European Union.

39th Meeting of the ECC Working Group NaN2

Two representatives from the MCA participated virtually in a meeting of a project team within WG NaN which was held between the 28th and 29th May, 2024. The project team held discussions on multiple aspects related to number portability, switching, and trust in numbers, including ongoing Recommendation and Report drafting and discussions on future work items.

4th Meeting of the European Board for Digital Services

On 28th May, 2024, the MCA participated remotely in the 4th meeting of the European Board for Digital Services. The agenda included updates on the latest developments, discussions on election integrity, and the conversion of disinformation and hate speech codes of conduct, among other topics. The meeting also featured a review of the Draft Annual Work Plan and discussions on working arrangements within the Board.

7th Multilateral Frequency Coordination Meeting

The MCA hosted this meeting which was held on 27-28th June, 2024, in Malta. The meeting was chaired by the International Telecommunication Union and considered progress made in the resolution of cases of harmful interference affecting sound broadcasting services in the region.

Ad-hoc Working Group on Elections

On Thursday, 23rd May, the MCA attended remotely a meeting of the Ad-hoc Working Group on Elections of the European Board for Digital Services. The session focused on how DSCs are dealing with the EP2024 elections presenting the findings of a previously circulated questionnaire followed by discussion.

ICT Subgroup of the DSA Expert Group

The MCA participated in the 6th meeting of the ICT Subgroup of the DSA Expert Group, which took place virtually on Tuesday, 21st May, 2024. The meeting focused on the content and support provided on the DSA WIKI, highlighting the areas that Member States need to give attention to at this point in time.

BEREC/IRG 2nd Contact Network 2024

MCA participated in the 2nd BEREC/IRG Contact Network for 2024, held in Vienna, Austria on the 16th and 17th May 2024.

The objective of the Meeting was to prepare for the 59th Board of Regulators (BoR) Meeting planned for the following month, in June. During the Meeting, the respective Expert Working Groups, the BEREC Office, the Commission and IRG presented to the CN members a number of updates on ongoing initiatives and BEREC deliverables.

Training of Digital Services Coordinators

Three members of staff from the MCA participated in the first Training of Digital Services Coordinators from 15th to 17th May, 2024. The purpose of this training was to equip them with the necessary tools to effectively enforce the Digital Services Act and to become familiar with both the legislation and our counterparts. The training was conducted by Dr Martin Husovec, Associate Professor at the London School of Economics. The sessions were held physically at the premises of DG CONNECT.

1st Meeting of the CEP/ECC Conference Preparatory Group for WRC-27 (CPG27-1)

This meeting kicked-off the preparatory process of the Electronic Communications Committee within the European Conference of Postal Administrations (CEPT/ECC) for the 2027 World Radiocommunication Conference. The scope of this meeting was to establish a structure supporting the studies that need to be carried out for each agenda item of the conference.

30th Council Meeting of the European Communications Office (ECO)

The meeting considered various administrative matters concerning the running of ECO and the support it gives to CEPT.

PUBLICATIONS

International News Week 51-52 2023

Published On: May 31st 2024 [News](#)

MCA Overview 2023

Published On: May 29th 2024 [MCA Overviews](#)

Career Opportunity: Senior Technical Specialist

Published On: May 27th 2024 [Recruitment](#)

Update to the Register of Authorised Undertakings providing Electronic Communications Networks and/or Services in Malta

Published On: May 24th 2024 [News](#)

International News Week 50 2023

Published On: May 23rd 2024 [News](#)

Monthly Newsletter - April 2024

Published On: May 16th 2024 [News](#)

International News Week 48/49 2023

Published On: May 15th 2024 [News](#)

Update to the Register of Authorised Undertakings providing Postal Services in Malta

Published On: May 10th 2024 [News](#)

International News Week 46/47 2023

Published On: May 7th 2024 [News](#)

LEGAL UPDATES

Litigation:

9th May 2024:

Sitting before the Administrative Review Tribunal in the case:

Maltapost plc versus L-Awtoritá ta' Malta dwar il-Komunikazzjoni - where Maltapost are contesting an MCA decision, requiring MaltaPost to pay compensation for not having achieved the Quality of Service Targets for 2019. Case was adjourned to 9th July 2024 for MCA's evidence.

21st May 2024:

Sitting before the Administrative Review Tribunal in the case:

Vodafone Malta Ltd (Now Epic Communications Ltd) versus L-Awtoritá ta' Malta dwar il-Komunikazzjoni - where EPIC are contesting MCA's VULA 2016 decision. Case was adjourned for Tribunal's judgement to 11th July 2024.

MEDIA ACTIVITY

Television:

Date: 22.05.2024

Channel: OneTV

Programme: Indigo

Topic: Scam Calls/SMS Awareness Tips

Participant: Alistair Farrugia

Date: 21.05.2024

Channel: NetTV

Programme: Bejnietna Ma' Steph

Topic: Scam Calls/SMS Awareness Tips

Participant: Alistair Farrugia