

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

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DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AND SERVICES

Court of Justice of the EU fines five Member States for Late Transposition of the Telecoms Code

The highest court of the EU fined Ireland, Latvia, Poland, Portugal and Slovenia €12.4m in total for not meeting the deadline to transpose the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC) by the deadline of 21st December 2020. Of these five countries, only Poland has currently not completed transposition. **Cullen International** (read more – subscription required)

Benchmarking Sustainability Initiatives among leading Telecoms Regulators

Through a benchmarking study on sustainability, Analysys Mason has identified initiatives undertaken by telecoms regulators worldwide, assessed the impact of these initiatives, and unearthed new possibilities to further the sustainability agenda by regulators and other ICT-related government entities. **Analysys Mason** (read more)

White paper on EU Digital Infrastructure / Upcoming Digital Networks Act (DNA)

Core network functions are moving into the cloud. The Commission calls this cloudification or softwarisation. This means that operators implement more of the routing, switching and control functions of their electronic communications network in software that runs on general purpose hardware in data centres. **Cullen International** (read more – subscription required)

European Commission wants more Coordination and Harmonisation of Spectrum Management

Stakeholders and policy makers discussed the Commission white paper on the future of EU connectivity, which may lead to a proposal for a Digital Networks Act (DNA) during an event organised by GSMA Europe. **Cullen International** (read more – subscription required)

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DIGITAL SECTOR

Commission opens Formal Proceedings against AliExpress under the Digital Services Act

The Commission has opened formal proceedings to assess whether AliExpress may have breached

the Digital Services Act. European Commission (read more)

Bundestag adopts its DSA Implementation Law with One-Month Delay

Germany's federal parliament, the Bundestag, adopted on Thursday 21st March 2024 a law implementing the Digital Services Act (DSA), an EU legislation regulating how online platforms should handle illegal and harmful content. **Euractiv** (read more)

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE POSTAL SECTOR

Austrian Post: Growth in the Parcel Business. More than offset the Decline in Letter Mail

Austrian Post faced challenging economic conditions in 2023. High inflation and the simultaneous economic decline had negatively impacted the investment behaviour of consumers and companies. **Post & Parcel** (read more)