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☐ MARKET 12 - WHOLESALE BROADBAND ACCESS

In the wake of the public consultation launched on 24 November 2004, which included the corresponding draft decision from the *Autoridade Nacional de Comunicações* (ANACOM) on the wholesale broadband access market (market 12 of the European Commission Recommendation), ANACOM approved on 24 June the determination concerning definition of the product markets and geographic markets, assessment of significant market power (SMP) and the imposition, maintenance, amendment or withdrawal of regulatory obligations in the wholesale broadband access market.

This market, identified as being relevant for purposes of *ex ante* regulation, and in which the PT group holds SMP, is thus subject to a set of objections, specifically obligations to access and use specific network resources, transparent publication of information, in particular the broadband access reference offer ("PT ADSL Network"), non-discrimination in the access and interconnection offer, price orientation to costs and price control, maintenance of the costing system and accounts separation and availability of the accounting records. ANACOM has notified the Commission of the adopted measures, as per article 57 of Law no. 5/2004 of 10 February and Directive 2002/21/EC.

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☐ PT ADSL NETWORK

A determination dated 24 June approved the decision on changes to make in the "PT ADSL Network" wholesale offer, as well as the report from the prior hearing of interested parties on the corresponding draft decision approved last 9 May. The determination also approved a draft decision on changes to make in the same offer. Interested parties were given 10 days to pronounce on the probable outcome of this decision, as per articles 100 and 101 of the Code of Administrative Procedure. The modifications now subject to prior hearing mainly concern the process of customer migration between service providers.

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☐ RETENTION OF PTC IN FIXED MOBILE TRAFFIC

The *Autoridade Nacional de Comunicações* (ANACOM) approved on 24 June the draft decision on the retention of *PT Comunicações* (PTC) in fixed-mobile traffic. PTC should gradually reduce the value of the retention offered in fixed-mobile traffic as a way for same to approach costs and current European practices. Interested parties were notified of this determination and given 20 working days to submit comments in writing, as per articles 100 and 101 of the Code of Administrative Procedure.

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PTC FIXED-MOBILE RATES

ANACOM decided on 24 June not to oppose the entrance into force of the PTC fixed-mobile rates, in effect from 1 July.

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■ CONSULTATION ON THE INTERCONNECTION FLAT RATE

The *Autoridade Nacional de Comunicações* (ANACOM) launched on 24 June a public consultation on the offer of capacity-based interconnection - the flat interconnection tariff. The aim is to achieve a broad overview of this subject, including the case of Spain, the only European Union country with experience in the offer of capacity-based interconnection for voice and internet.

A number of questions are asked. Their answers will help define the model for capacity-based interconnection to implement in Portugal. Contributions should be submitted to tarifaplana@anacom.pt , within a thirty-day time period ending on 10 August.

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■ CURRENT EVENTS

RENEWAL OF THE FREQUENCIES OF VODAFONE AND TMN

In a determination dated 8 June, the *Autoridade Nacional de Comunicações* (ANACOM) decided to renew the GSM and DCS 1800 frequency usage rights allocated to the mobile network operators Vodafone and TMN. The respective consultation will be carried out in July to assess the pertinent aspects to bear in mind when those operators' licences are renewed, namely in terms of effective coverage and quality of service. The Vodafone and TMN licences were allocated for a 15-year period, respectively expiring in 2006 and 2007. The Optimus licence only expires in 2012.

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ANACOM ADVISORY COUNCIL

The ANACOM Advisory Council met on 21 June, with the agenda focusing on the activity plans and budgets for 2005-2007 and 2006-2008, the 2004 Regulation Report, the universal service price table and the establishment of a special commission for telecommunication infrastructures in buildings. This is the second time that this Council, chaired by Álvaro Dâmaso, has met; the first was in December 2004. Two opinions were approved at this session, the first on the ANACOM plan and budget for 2005-2007, and the second on the retail price table for telephone service provided at a fixed location (of *PT Comunicações*), as well as the Advisory Council's internal rules. The next meeting is scheduled for 12 July.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=146186&contentId=278505

PORTED NUMBERS

The most recent statistical data compiled by ANACOM indicate that there were 260 832 ported telephone numbers at the end of June. Of that total, 204 052 pertain to numbers from telephone service at a fixed location (TSFL), 56 470 to mobile telephone service (MTS) and 310 to non-geographic services (NGS).

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template25.jsp?categoryId=39090

CPLP - CONTACT POINTS

The list of contact points for the telecoms sector in the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries (CPLP), an initiative agreed at the most recent technical meeting of that organisation, is available at http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=146186&contentId=278510 .

COMPETITION AUTHORITY

The Competition Authority has released the Government recommendation on the places and the way to indicate mobile communications prices.

:: http://www.autoridadedaconcorrencia.pt/vImages/recomendacao2_2005.pdf

On 3-4 November the Competition Authority will hold the first Lisbon Conference on Competition Law and Economics, at the Belém Cultural Centre (CCB). Competition Commissioner Neelie Kroes will participate in the conference opening.

:: http://www.autoridadedaconcorrencia.pt/Aconcorrencia_prd.aspx?prd=A000000000003799&Idmenu

The June edition of the newsletter *eConcorrência* has been published at http://www.autoridadedaconcorrencia.pt/vImages/E-Concorrencia6_2005.pdf (in Portuguese only).

SONAECOM COMPLAINTS AGAINST PT

Sonaecom announced at an 8 June press conference that it had filed two complaints with the European Commission, accusing the historic operator *Portugal Telecom* of abusing its dominant position in the national broadband market and the Portuguese State of illegal aid to the PT group.

Sonaecom contests the lack of a public tender during the sale of the basic telecommunications network to Portugal Telecom and advocates the separation of the copper-wire and cable television networks currently held by the incumbent.

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■ NEWLY ENACTED LEGISLATION

- **Regulation no. 46/2005** (II Series of the *Diário da República* of 14 June) - Regulation on quality of service which sets the quality parameters to be provided by companies offering the service of access to the public telephone network at a fixed location and publicly available telephone service at a fixed location.
  :: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=3730&contentId=279620
- **Resolution no. 30/2005** (II Series of the D.R. of 14 June) - Relieves the current administrator of Public Administration Operational Intervention, Maria Tereza Valério, and appoints the new administrator, Nuno Venade.
- **ICP-ANACOM Notice** (III Series of the D.R. of 8 June) - Announces the publication in the Official Journal of the European Union, as per the implementation of Directive 1999/5/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 1999 concerning radio and telecommunications terminal equipment and mutual conformity recognition, of the references concerning the rules and common technical regulation contained in the annex.
- **Decree-Law no. 84/2005** (I Series-A of the D.R. of 28 April) - Sets the conditions for granting television transmission signal to operators with international broadcasts.

The 30 June Council of Ministers (CM) approved the resolution appointing Carlos Zorrinho as National Co-ordinator for the Lisbon Strategy, reporting directly to the Prime Minister.

The 15 June CM approved a Major Planning Options proposal for the period 2005-2009, along with the main action lines, policy measures and investment priorities that will aid the implementation of same.

The 2 June CM adopted a resolution approving an integrated set of measures on management of the civil service.

The 19 May CM adopted a resolution approving for ratification the Additional Protocol to the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with Regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data regarding supervisory authorities and trans-border data flows, of the Council of Europe, which was opened for signing on 8 November 2001 in Strasbourg.

The 12 May CM approved a proposed law to establish a Regulatory Entity for the Media (ERC), replacing the High Authority for the Media (AACS), and also a proposed law to establish respective Ombudsmen for the audiences of public radio and television services.

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:: http://www.governo.gov.pt/Portal/EN/

■ ADMINISTRATIVE OFFENCE CASES - SITUATION AT 15 JUNE 2005

Cases processed

	Electronic Communications Networks and Services*			Other Networks or Services							Total
	Start of activity without previously notifying the NRA - General Authorisation Regime (Art. 21/1)	Suspension of telephone service provision without prior warning (Art. 52/1)	Change of service offer conditions without previously notifying subscribers (Art. 48/3)	Terminal and radio equipment	Electromagnetic compatibility	Postal services	Television activity	Audio broadcasting activity	Audio broadcasting activity - RDS	Private use land mobile service	
Cases Filed	3	1	1	2	1	14	1	4	3	8	**38**
Cases Decided		1			1	3		1	1	1	**8**
Decision to Admonish									1		**1**
Application of Fine		1 €17 500			1 €700	3 €1 496		1 €1 000		1 €1 000	**7 €21 696**

Cases passed on from 2004

	Electronic Communications Networks and Services*						D.L. no. 415/98	Other Networks or Services								Total
	Start of activity without previously notifying the NRA - General Authorisation Regime (Art. 21/1)	Non-compliance with obligation to provide information to the NRA (Art. 108)	Suspension of telephone service provision without prior warning (Art. 52/1)	Violation of subscribers' right to portability (Art. 54/1)	Detailed invoicing - minimum level of detail (Art. 94/1 par. a))	Suspension of publicly available services without prior warning (Art. 39/2)	Pre-selection	Terminal and radio equipment	Postboxes	Postal services	Television activity	Audio broadcasting activity - RDS	Personal radio service - CB	Private use land mobile service	Amateur radio service	
Cases Decided	6	8	5	2	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	2	8	1	**49**
Decision to Shelve	1		5	1		1		4	1				1	1	1	**16**
Voluntary Payment								1 €124,70								**1 €124,70**
Decision to Admonish		2												3		**5**
Application of Fine	5 €18 000	6 €30 000		1 €7 500	1 €25 000		1 €2 494	5 €62 250		1 €498,80	1 €10 000	1 €2 494	1 €149,64	4 €3 491		**27 €161 878**

*As per Law no. 5/2004 of 10 February.

□ EUROPEAN MARKET INSPECTION CAMPAIGN

The *Autoridade Nacional de Comunicações* (ANACOM) participated from October 2004 to May 2005 in a European inspection campaign for the electromagnetic compatibility market, together with 15 other European countries.

The campaign consisted of inspecting the technical conformity of various kinds of energy-saving bulbs by carrying out trials in the ANACOM laboratories. The national results indicate a 23 percent rate of technical non-conformity for the 13 equipment items examined, for which five examples of each were tested.

The aim of this European campaign was for the member States to exchange information, to enable the new States to take part in an inspection campaign and to increase consumer and industry awareness of the relative importance of electromagnetic compatibility.

At European level, a 29 percent rate of technical non-conformity was verified, i.e., 50 of the 174 kinds of equipment tested had values above the applicable standards.

☐ EUROPEAN UNION

TELECOM COUNCIL

The Council of European Union Telecom Ministers met on 27 June in Luxembourg, where it examined the Communication to the European Commission dated 2 June, concerning the second stage of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) to be held in Tunis on 16-18 November, as well as the i2010 initiative, the community strategy adopted on 1 June to foster growth and employment in the media and information technology industries.

:: http://ue.eu.int/ueDocs/cms_Data/docs/pressData/fr/trans/85470.pdf

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/05/225&format=HTML&aged=0&language=en&guiLanguage=en

:: http://www.eu2005.lu/en/actualites/ordres_jour/2005/06/24odjtte/odjtransport.pdf

GALILEO CONSORTIUMS JOIN FORCES

The Galileo Joint Undertaking (GJU), which manages the European satellite radionavigation system, has announced its acceptance of the joint proposal submitted on 20 June by the two consortiums Eurely and iNavSat, previously competitors. The joint proposal was deemed to be more financially competitive and advantageous. Negotiations for the concession contract are set to begin.

:: http://www.galileoju.com/doc/6533%20Press%20release%20concession%2027th%20June%2020052.pdf

REFORM OF STATE AID

The Commission adopted on 7 June the State Aid Action Plan for the next five years, which will be subject to public consultation until 15 September. See

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/05/680&format=HTML&aged=0&language=en&guiLanguage=en

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/05/195&format=HTML&aged=0&language=en&guiLanguage=en

FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK 2007-2013

The most frequently asked questions (FAQs) about the European Union's financial framework for 2007-2013 are available at http://europa.eu.int/comm/financial_perspective/questions/index_en.htm .

COMPETITION REPORT

The 2004 Annual Report on Competition Policy was adopted by the Commission on 21 June.

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/05/768&format=HTML&aged=0&language=en&guiLanguage=en

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=3730&contentId=279588

BRITISH EU PRESIDENCY

Britain's leadership priorities for the second half of 2005 may be consulted at http://www.eu2005.gov.uk/ .

REGULATION DEBATED

The European Union recently intensified regulatory ties and co-operation in various sectors of economic activity with the United States of America and Canada.

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/05/213&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/05/752&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en

BRUSSELS EUROPEAN COUNCIL

The conclusions of the most recent European Council, held on 16-17 June in Brussels, may be consulted at:

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=DOC/05/2&format=HTML&aged=0&language=PT&guiLanguage=en

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=DOC/05/3&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en

EUROPEAN INNOVATION DAY

European Innovation Day was commemorated on 22 June. Additional information at http://www.patents4innovation.org/ .

PORTAL FOR SCIENCE EDUCATION

The *Xplora* gateway for science education, which targets primary and secondary schooling, was launched on 9 June.

:: http://www.xplora.org/

:: http://europa.eu.int/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/05/706&format=HTML&aged=0&language=en&guiLanguage=en ◁

■ OJEU

- **Commission Call (2005/C152/03) -** For proposals 2005 - Specific projects in the field of consumer affairs. Published on 23 June.
- **Commission Call (2005/C147/07) -** For proposals for indirect IDT actions under the specific programme for research, technological development and demonstration: Structuring the European Research Space. Published on 17 June.
- **Decision no. 854/2005/EC (2005/L149/01) -** Of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2005, establishing a multiannual community programme on promoting safer use of the internet and new online technologies. Published on 11 June.
- **Judgment of the Court of Justice (2005/C143/19) -** Of 28 April 2005, in the case C-375/04: Commission of the European Communities versus the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg (Failure of a member State to fulfil obligations - Directive 2002/58/EC - Electronic communications - Processing of personal data - Protection of privacy - Protection of natural persons - Failure to transpose within the prescribed period). Published on 11 June.
- **Judgment of the Court of Justice (2005/C143/20) -** Of 28 April 2005, in the case C-376/04: Commission of the European Communities versus the Kingdom of Belgium (Failure of a member State to fulfil obligations - Directive 2002/58/EC - Electronic communications - Processing of personal data - Protection of privacy - Protection of natural persons - Failure to transpose within the prescribed period). Published on 11 June.
- **Commission Decision (2005/406/EC) -** Of 15 October 2003, on *ad hoc* measures implemented by Portugal for RTP. Published on 6 June. ◁

:: http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/lex/JOIndex.do?ihmlang=en

CEPT (EUROPEAN CONFERENCE OF POSTAL AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADMINISTRATIONS) MEETINGS

ECC PLENARY MEETING

The 11th ECC plenary meeting was held on 20-24 June in Reykjavik, Iceland, with the participants approving a number of decisions and plans to hold public consultations for the reports on emergency call access based on the voice over internet protocol (VoIP) and the interconnection model based on IP networks, as well as on annex 13 of recommendation ERC/70-03.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=109940&contentId=281966

ECC WG FM

The Frequency Management working group (WG FM) met on 23-27 May in Vilnius, Lithuania, where it examined results of the public consultation concerning the new decision ECC/DEC(05)DD on high density fixed satellite service (HDFSS).

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=109948&contentId=281642

ECC WG RA

The most recent meeting of the Regulatory Affairs group (WG RA) was held on 23-27 May in Brijuni, Croatia.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=109946&contentId=281643

ECC WG SE

The report resulting from the study on the compatibility of fixed wireless access (FWA) service in the 5725-5875 MHz band (ECC Report 68) and a recommendation on criteria for evaluating interference caused by harmful radiation from telecommunication wire-lines (ECC REC (05)04) were some of the documents approved in Riga, Latvia, during the 6-10 June meeting of the Spectrum Engineering group (WG SE).

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=109953&contentId=281647

:: http://www.cept.org :: http://www.ero.dk

CPG

The revision and approval of the briefs on all agenda points of the 2007 World Radiocommunications Conference (WRC07) were in focus at the fourth meeting of the Conference Preparatory Group (CPG), held on 31 May-3 June in the German city of Stralsund.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=109958&contentId=281645

ECC PT1

The revision of decision ERC/DEC(99)25 on "Harmonised Use of Spectrum for IMT-2000/ UMTS Earth Systems Operating in the 1900-1980 MHz, 2010-2025 MHz and 2110-2170 MHz Bands" was the main topic on the agenda of project team PT1, which covers IMT-2000 and systems beyond, during its 9-12 May meeting in Biel, Switzerland.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=109955&contentId=281639

ECC TG3

This meeting, held in the German city of Mainz on 13-15 June, saw definition of the group's priority working items, with the aim of finding a regulatory solution for the introduction of ultra wideband (UWB) communication in Europe.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=110399&contentId=281652

CERP PLENARY MEETING

The European Committee for Postal Regulation (CERP) held its plenary meeting on 2-3 June in Munich, where its president (representative of Belgium) and two vice-presidents (from Germany and Ireland) were elected.

The Committee's various working groups reported on their activities to the plenary session. The new CERP organisation structure was also presented, comprising the groups on Political Affairs, Economic Affairs, and Market Data and Supervision.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=109960&contentId=281979

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MEETINGS IN THE EU CONTEXT

RSPG

The Spectrum Policy Group (RSPG) met on 21 June in Brussels, where it decided to examine the issue of wireless access to platforms for electronic communications services (WAPECs). The respective consultation is under way until 15 September.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=109880&contentId=281946

:: http://rspg.groups.eu.int/consultations/index_en.htm

RSC

In the wake of its 1 June meeting, the Radio Spectrum Committee (RSC) has placed under public consultation until 22 August the possibility that the European Union may open the 2.6 GHz band to IMT-2000 and other technologies.

:: http://europa.eu.int/information_society/policy/radio_spectrum/current/index_en.htm#ongoing_consultations

IRG - WG REGULATORY ACCOUNTING

The Regulatory Accounting working group (WG RA) of the Independent Regulators Group (IRG) met on 13-14 June in Bucharest.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=110179&contentId=282040

WORKSHOPS ON PREMIUM RATE AND FREEPHONE SERVICES

The Belgian capital hosted on 8 June two workshops in which a report on the European audiotext market was presented and cross-border access to free numbers was examined.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=100825&contentId=282039

WORKSHOP ON NEXT GENERATION NETWORKS

The evolution of next generation networks was in focus at the Commission--organised workshop held on 22 June in Brussels.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=100825&contentId=282036

CONFERENCE ON HIGH DEFINITION TELEVISION

High definition television in Europe was the subject of a conference held on 7 June in Luxembourg, co-sponsored by the Luxembourg presidency of the European Union and by the European Commission.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=100825&contentId=282034

The conference speech by the Commissioner for the Information Society and the Media, Viviane Reding, may be consulted at http://europa.eu.int/rapid/press ReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/05/329&format=HTML&aged=0& language=fr&guiLanguage=en .

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☐ ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT (OECD)

WP TISP

The working party on Telecommunication and Information Services Policy (WP TISP) met on 6-7 June in Paris, where various subjects were discussed, namely the voice over internet protocol (VoIP), wi-fi, access and universal service, and the structure and mission of the sector's national regulatory authorities.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=119959&contentId=282031

TELIGEN WORKSHOP

Revision of the price baskets for fixed telephony, internet and leased lines that the organisation uses to compare international rates was in focus at the joint meeting organised by the OECD and the British consultancy firm Teligen on 16-17 June in Rome.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=119959&contentId=282032

WP IE

The Information Economy group (WP IE) met on 9-10 June in Paris, where it debated digital content policies and public sector digital content, among other issues.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=119979&contentId=282033 ◁

☐ INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION (ITU)

IPV6 WORKSHOP

A workshop sponsored by the ITU Standardisation Sector (ITU-T) was held on 22-23 June and concerned IPv6, the protocol that will gradualy replace the current IPv4 - the basis for communication across the entire internet.
The migration has been very slow, mainly due to successive improvements to the IPv4 protocol (IPSec and NAT, among others), which has allowed its use to be prolonged.
Besides substantially enhancing the capacity of public addresses, introduction of the IPv6 protocol will allow the security and service quality functions to be expanded. For this reason it enables new applications under the concept of end-to-end communications.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=156456&contentId=282041◁

☐ EUROPEAN COMMITTEE FOR ELECTROTECHNICAL STANDARDISATION (CENELEC)

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE 209

Interference in cabled and radio telecommunication networks, along with the development of a procedure to protect antennas for earth and satellite reception, were in focus at the meeting of Technical Committee 209 held in Brussels on 9 June.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=156263&contentId=281637

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE 215 - WG1

Working group 1, which is overseen by Technical Committee 215, met on 7-8 June in Brussels, where it studied reports from various CENELEC groups and from the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), with a view to harmonising international standards and gathering technical information.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=156263&contentId=281638 ◁

☐ POSTAL MEETINGS

CONFERENCE ON POSTAL SERVICES

The 13th conference on the economics of postal services and distribution was held on 1-4 June in Antwerp, on the initiative of Rutgers University.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=105819&contentId=282038

UPAEP - MEETING WITH THE SPANISH MINISTRY

Madrid hosted the 6-8 June co-ordination meeting between Portugal's *Autoridade Nacional de Comunicações* (ANACOM) and Spain's Ministry of Development, focusing on reform of the Postal Union of the Americas, Spain and Portugal (UPAEP).

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=154003&contentId=282014 ◁

☐ ANACOM CO-OPERATION

AICEP GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND FORUM

The General Assembly of the Association of Postal and Telecommunications Operators of the Portuguese-speaking Countries and Territories (AICEP) was held on 31 May-3 June in Macau, where the membership of Guinitel and Timor Telecom was approved. The theme topic of the 13th Forum was "Digital Generations".

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=60250&contentId=282005

TELEBRASIL 2005

The *Autoridade Nacional de Comunicações* (ANACOM) took part on 23-26 June in Telebrasil 2005, giving a presentation on regulation and competition under the new European regulatory framework.

:: http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=60012&contentId=281982

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■ NEWS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES

SPAIN - *Ministerio de Industria, Turismo y Comercio (MICYT) -* Children and young people play a dominant role in introducing adults to the new technologies, a study by *Red.es* indicates. In Spain, 66 percent of homes with children up to 15 years old have an internet connection and 66 percent of children and 84 percent of Spanish youths surf the internet.

:: http://www2.mityc.es/es-ES/Servicios/GabinetePrensa/NotasPrensa/ redes270605.htm

The Council of Ministers approved on 24 June the reform plan for the audiovisual sector, which sets April 2010 as the date for the "analogue switch-off".

:: http://www2.mityc.es/es-ES/Servicios/GabinetePrensa/NotasPrensa/ HistoricoNoticias/2005/6/reformaaudiovisual240605.htm

The Telecommunications and Information Society Advisory Council (CATSI) has delivered to the Minister of Industry, José Montilla, the final report assessing Spain's position regarding the information society, as well as its convergence with the European countries that lead in this area.

:: http://www2.mityc.es/es-ES/Servicios/GabinetePrensa/NotasPrensa/ HistoricoNoticias/2005/6/planconvergencia22062005.htm

FRANCE - *Autorité de Régulation des Communications Électroniques et des Postes* **(ARCEP) -** The 2004 activities report has been published at http:// www.arcep.fr/publications/index-drappan.htm . The cost of universal service in 2003, for electronic communications, has been set at 53 271 billion euros; the operators' contributions have also been definitively established.

:: http://www.arcep.fr/communiques/communiques/2005/index-c05-34.htm

Two draft decisions on analysis of the fixed telephony markets have been placed under public consultation until 15 July.

:: http://www.arcep.fr/communiques/communiques/2005/index-c05-33.htm

A consultation on caller identification in calls from non-geographic numbers is under way until 11 July.

:: http://www.arcep.fr/communiques/communiques/2005/index-c05-30.htm

UNITED KINGDOM - Office of Communications (OFCOM) - The conclusions with respect to radio spectrum review have been published.

:: http://www.ofcom.org.uk/media/news/2005/06/nr_20050628

The regulator has divulged at http://www.ofcom.org.uk/media/news/2005/06/nr _20050623 its approach to the new regulatory policy for fixed networks.

IRELAND - Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) - July 7 was the deadline for expressing interest in the allocation of a third generation mobile "B" licence.

:: http://www.comreg.ie/_fileupload/publications/PR160605.pdf

DENMARK - National IT and Telecom Agency (NITA) - The 2004 annual report has just been published.

:: http://www.itst.dk/wimpdoc.asp?page=nyhed&objno=175501943

POLAND - Office of Telecommunications and Posts Regulation (URTiP) - Results of the tenders to allocate second and third generation mobile licences have been announced.

:: http://www.en.urtip.gov.pl/urtipen/index.jsp?place=Lead01&news_ cat_id=15&news_id=539&layout=1&page=text

MOROCCO - *Agence Nationale de Réglementation des Télécommunications (ANRT) -* The proposals by the three operators who bid in the tender to allocate new fixed network licences - Méditelecom, Maroc Connect and Orascom Telecom Maroc - were opened on 20 June.

:: http://www.anrt.net.ma/admin/download/upload/file_fr502_com.pdf

ANGOLA - *Instituto Angolano das Comunicações (INACOM) -* The numbers of the fixed networks operating in Angola have nine digits as of 26 June, with implementation of the new National Numbering Plan. All fixed numbers begin with 2, followed by the codes of the province, the operator and the customer number.

:: http://www.inacom.og.ao/ (Portuguese version)

MOZAMBIQUE - *Comissão para a Política de Informática -* The Mozambican government announced that its electronic governance strategy will be placed in public consultation from 28 June.

:: http://www.infopol.gov.mz/noticias5.html (in Portuguese)

CAPE VERDE - *Instituto das Comunicações e das Tecnologias de Informação (ICTI) -* Revision of the Cabo Verde Telecom contract has been under negotiation since 2 June, date of the first working meeting between the parties involved. Taking 2007 to be the start of total liberalisation of the telecoms market, the Cape Verdean government seeks to "derogate in a short time period points 1 and 5 of the 4th clause of the concession contract, which grant CVTelecom exclusivity in international communications until 2021", indicates a statement released by the regulator.

:: http://www.icti.cv/rev_contrato.html

The Government has also announced that it should soon allocate a new mobile licence by direct concession. The proposed policy statement on communications and information is currently under public consultation.

:: http://www.icti.cv/PDF/Declaracao_Pol_Telecom.pdf

Digital TV Cabo Verde and CVTelecom were the two companies chosen in the tender for subscription TV.

:: http://www.icti.cv/Resultado_ConcursoTVA.htm (in Portuguese only)

BRAZIL - *Agência Nacional de Telecomunicações (ANATEL) -* The proposed regulation to monitor and control compliance with the universal obligations of the fixed switched telephony service concessionaires is subject to public consideration until 31 July.

:: http://www.anatel.gov.br/biblioteca/Releases/2005/release_22_06_2005.pdf

Brazil had almost 74 million mobile accesses in May, indicates data release by the regulator.

:: http://www.anatel.gov.br/Tools/frame.asp?link=/biblioteca/releases/ 2005/release_14_06_2005(3).pdf

The names of the Agency's ten new superintendents have been released.

:: http://www.anatel.gov.br/biblioteca/Releases/2005/Release_08_06_2005_ 3%5b5%5d.pdf (Portuguese version)

Safer Internet Action Plan - Following the Norwegian example, Sweden has decided to block all internet sites containing child pornography.

:: http://www.saferinternet.org/ww/en/pub/insafe/news/articles/0605/se_isps.htm

■ DETERMINATIONS ADOPTED BY ANACOM – 2ND QUARTER 2005

Date	Decision	Link
24.06.2005	Retention of *PT Comunicações* in fixed-mobile traffic (draft decision)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=155922
24.06.2005	Public consultation on the offer of interconnection by capacity (flat rate for interconnection)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=156025
24.06.2005	Modification of "PT ADSL Network" (decision and draft decision)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=155582
24.06.2005	Fixed-mobile retail prices of *PT Comunicações*	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=155742
24.06.2005	Wholesale broadband access market (final decision)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=155684
08.06.2005	Renewal of GSM and DCS 1800 frequency usage rights (Vodafone and TMN)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=154603
31.05.2005	CTT cost accounting system (2003)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=153942
25.05.2005	Transit market in the public telephone network at a fixed location - final decision	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=154826
25.05.2005	ITED (Telecommunications infrastructures in buildings) - provisional suspension of the certifying entity *PT Comunicações*	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=156082 (in Portuguese only)
17.05.2005	Retail rates for telephone service provided at a fixed location (PTC)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=154122
17.05.2005	Guidelines on the minimum content to include in contracts to provide electronic communications services	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=152843
09.05.2005	Fixed-mobile rates of *PT Comunicações*	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=151226
09.05.2005	Modification of the "PT ADSL Network" wholesale offer (draft decision)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=153842
04.05.2005	Advertising and useful information in telephone directories provided in the scope of universal service (draft decision)	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=153217
04.05.2005	National Frequency Allocation Plan	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=151382
04.05.2005	Quality of Service Regulation	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=151764
29.04.2005	Reference SLRO Proposal	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=150562
15.04.2005	Verification of the use of frequencies allocated to RADIOMÓVEL and the obligation of analogue and digital systems to migrate to the CDMA system	http://www.anacom.pt/template12.jsp?categoryId=151844
13.04.2005	Changes to be made to the RUO	http://www.anacom.pt/template20.jsp?categoryId=574&contentId=271167

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■ IN JULY 2005

EU
- WG Co-operation on Criminal Issues (4-5)
- Communications Committee (6)
- Workshop on Location-based Services and the ePrivacy Directive (12)
- Postal Service Directive Committee (12)

CEPT
- WG ITU Issues (7-8)
- PT PP06 (27-28)
ECC
- TG3 (11-13)

ITU
- Council (12-22)

Radiocommunications Sector
- IPG (4-8)

NATO
- FMSC PWG (4-7)

EVENTS

- *9th Spanish-Portuguese Congress on Electrotechnical Engineering*
  Málaga, 30/6-2/7
- *Free Software Meeting*
  Dijon, 5-7
- *Digital World Forum 2005*
  Athens, 7

- *The 1st European Conference on Mobile Government*
  Brighton, 10-12
- *Open Source Systems*
  Genoa, 11-15
- *IST Software Technologies Projects*
  Brussels, 12
- *11th International Conference on Information Systems Analysis and Synthesis (ISAS05)*
  Orlando, USA, 14-17
- *2nd International Conference on Cybernetics and Information Technologies, Systems and Applications (CITSA05)*
  Orlando, USA, 14-17 ◁

: : http://www.anacom.pt/template2.jsp?categoryId=51309 (in Portuguese)