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Spectrum Policy and Regulation

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The EU Spectrum Policy Setting

- **Spectrum – increasing socio-economic importance**
 - ✓ **wireless applications & services pervasive through society**
 - ✓ related **markets** – typically transnational if not global
 - ✓ spectrum availability and management → **growth & competitiveness**
- **Spectrum is managed at national level**
 - ✓ allocation, assignment, monitoring usage
- **EU coordination where EU interests are at stake**
 - ✓ **internal market** (economies of scale, interoperability)
 - ✓ **sector policies** (broadband, transport, health, environment, space)
 - ✓ **public services** (broadcasting, PPDR, security, defence)
 - ✓ **efficient spectrum use** to maximise benefits at EU level
 - ✓ **coordination of EU position** in **international negotiations**
 - ✓ **Single market Regulation Proposal**



EU priorities in wireless

- **Authorisation of EU harmonised spectrum for ECS**
 - ✓ spectrum availability and effective usage
- **Incentives for wireless network roll-out**
 - ✓ Cost reduction, stimulating investment and demand
- **Identification of new spectrum resources**
 - ✓ EU target of 1200 MHz for WBB by 2015
- **Coherent EU position on the 700 MHz band**
 - ✓ Ongoing work of the high level group, RSPG and CEPT
 - ✓ Long-term perspective: future of DTT and WBB, and convergence
- **R&D at the heart of EU spectrum policy**

The Radio Spectrum Policy Programme (RSPP)

Establishes strategic principles and objectives

- Fostering the **internal market**
- Promoting **competition** and **wireless innovation**
- **Efficient use of spectrum**
- **Technology and service neutrality !**
- **Least burdensome authorisation procedures**

• Sets specific targets:

"Sufficient and timely available spectrum resources for EU policies"

- **Authorisation of EU harmonised spectrum** for ECS **by end 2012**
(already ~ 1000 MHz below 4 GHz)
- **Bringing total to at least 1200 MHz for wireless broadband by 2015**
(i.e. at least 200 MHz more to be found)
- Promoting **shared use of spectrum**
- Addressing audio-visual, PMSE, PPDR, energy efficiency ('non-ECS' needs)

Spectrum inventory

- **established by RSPP** (Art. 9)
- covers **existing uses of spectrum** for commercial and public purposes in the range 400 MHz – 6 GHz
- methodology for the analysis of technology trends, **future needs and demand for spectrum** in EU policy areas
- **Goal:** identify bands where efficiency of uses can be improved, identify bands for reallocation and sharing opportunities
- **Inputs:**
 - 1) data provided directly by MS to the Commission (JRC's data analysis tool) in accordance with Decision 2013/195/EU
 - 2) EFIS database
 - 2) Commission Studies
 - 3) RSPG deliverables
 - 4) EC Mandates to CEPT
- First delivery: Report to EP and Council on spectrum inventory (2014)

- *By 31.12.2012: allow the use of*
 - **3.4-3.8 GHz**
 - **2.5-2.69 GHz**
 - **900 MHz**
 - **1800 MHz**
- *By 1.1.2013:*
 - **800 MHz : implies analogue switch off and freeing of digital broadcasting**
 - **except derogation for exceptional circumstances or military use.**
- *By 2015:*
 - **allow tradability of WBB spectrum (art.6.8)**
 - **apply RSPP principles and objectives**

Decisions to be implemented

- *RSC review of implementation for each decision*

- *Explanatory document:*
 - RSCOM08-84 Final of 23 June 2009.
 - More details about entry into force, obligations, concept of designating and making available a frequency band', possibility of options in harmonisation decisions, relation with CEPT instruments, etc.

List of Decisions

Decision	Deadline
14.5.2014 Dec. 2014/276 amending 2008/411 on 3.4-3.8 GHz	30.6.2015
11.12.2013 Dec. 2013/752 amending 2006/771 – short range devices	1.7.2014
12.11.2014 Dec. 2013/654 amending Dec. 2008/294 on MCA services	14.6.2014
23.4.2013 Dec. 2013/195 on spectrum inventory	permanent
5.11.2012 Dec. 2012/688/EU - 2 GHz band	30.6.2014
8.12.11 Dec. 2011/829/EU amending 2006/771 - short-range devices	1.6.2012
29.7.2011 Dec. 2011/485 amending 2005/50 - 24 GHz range radio spectrum for automotive short-range radar	1.6.2013
18.4.2011 Dec. 2011/251 amending 2009/766 - 900 and 1800 MHz	31.12.11
6.5.2010 Dec. 2010/267/EU on 790-862 MHz	1.1.2013 (RSPP)
19.3.2010 Dec. 2010/166 mobile communications on board vessels	20.3.2011

Decision	Deadline
21.4.2009 Dec. 2009/343/EC amending Dec. 2007/131/EC on ultra-wideband technology	30.6.2009
13.8.2008 Dec. 2008/673/EC amending Dec. 2005/928/EC on 169,4-169,8125 MHz	31,10,2008
5.8.2008 Dec. 2008/671/EC on 5875-5905 MHz for safety related applications of Intelligent Transport Systems	5,3,2009
13.6.2008 Dec. 2008/477/EC on 2.5-2.7 GHz	14,1,2009
21.5.2008 Dec. 2008/411/EC on 3.4-3.8 GHz	24,10,2008
7.4.2008 Dec. 2008/294/EC on spectrum for mobile communication services on aircraft	30,10,2008

Decision	Deadline
16.5.2007 Dec. 2007/344/EC on information regarding spectrum use EFIS	1,1,2008
14.2.2007 Dec. 2007/98/EC on 2 GHz for mobile satellite services	1,7,2007
12.2.2007 Dec. 2007/90/EC amending Dec. 2005/513/EC on 5 GHz for WAS/RLANs	2,3,2007
23.11.2006 Dec. 2006/804/EC on RFID in UHF	13,7,2007
8.7.2004 Dec. 2004/545/EC on 79 GHz for automotive short-range radar	1,1,2005

- **WRC-12 co-allocated the 700 MHz band to WBB**
 - Challenge for EU spectrum policy
 - Opportunity for both broadcasting and wireless broadband
- **Political priorities**
 - Development of the broadcasting sector
 - Spectrum demand for rapidly growing WBB traffic
 - Fostering the single market (economies of scale, roaming)
 - Opportunity for nearly global harmonisation
- **Coordinated EU action needed**
 - We are well advanced on technical harmonisation by WRC-15
 - Developing a long-term strategy for the broadcasting sector taking into account technology advance, trends in consumer behaviour, and the likelihood of BC-WBB convergence

Communication of 3 Sept, 2012 "**Promoting shared use of radio spectrum resources in the internal market**"

Objective: *starting a process of change*

- Establishing a **common understanding of economical, technical and regulatory aspects** of spectrum sharing
- **Strategy to promote** shared access to meet spectrum demand
- **Clear signal to innovators** - EU moving towards regulatory environment supporting wireless innovations through shared use

What?

- Unlicensed use: SRD, ITS, RFID, SRR, WiFi, small cells, RLAN in 5 GHz. , UWB.
- Licensed shared access: RSPG opinion – 2.3 GHz

*For Wireless broadband in harmonised spectrum.
Covers assignment in complement to allocation
Coordinated regulatory principles, conditions and
criteria to be applied by MS
Harmonisation of assignment timelines
Coordination and peer review mechanisms of
assignment processes
Improved access to RLAN
Promotion of small cells
Ensure coordination of the use of spectrum
between MS.*

- **Further information: EU Wireless Europe website**

<http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/wireless-europe>