



Letter of Understanding
Regarding co-operation between
The ECC and the ICU

The Parties,

The Electronic Communications Committee (ECC) of the Conférence Européenne des Administrations des Postes et des Télécommunications (CEPT),

and

The Infocommunication Services Market Participants Union (ICU), a non-profit organisation, co-ordinating activities of its members (participants) as well as representing their common interests in the sphere of infocommunication services market development,

having noted the need to establish a close working relationship in order to foster co-operation.

Recognising that:

- ECC is an organisation of governmental bodies, hence with limited possibilities to enter binding agreements with a private association, and
- The ICU is comprised of the major Russian mobile networks operators and associated members - cellular & long-distance; fixed & transit networks operators; research-and-development, research-and-production and engineering organizations; world's leading vendors; system integrators; content and service providers and software development companies; SIM vendors; investment and consulting companies; conference and exhibition organizers,



And considering that:

- ECC considers and develops policies on electronic communications activities in a European context and is the recognised organisation in Europe responsible for the efficient use of the radio spectrum, satellite orbits and numbering resources, so as to satisfy the requirements of the users, and
- the ICU issues concepts, reports and recommendations aimed at contributing to further development of infocommunication market, and
- ECC and the ICU have the common objective to promote forward looking technologies, directly or indirectly, with the aim of contributing to the establishment of a high quality information infrastructure.

Agree to co-operate as follows:

1. ECC and the ICU agree to exchange information and seek, to the extent possible, a common European approach concerning the use of radio frequencies in particular in the field of the third and next generation mobile communications. The two Parties may exchange as appropriate, free of charge, any information on programs of work in areas of mutual interest.
2. Copies of relevant working documents from either Party shall be made available to the other Party on request. The dissemination by one Party of the documents received from the other Party will be limited to the members of the relevant part of the receiving Party, and solely for the purpose of the activities relating to the receiving Party's work programme. If the disclosing Party regards the information in the documents as confidential, the receiving Party will likewise treat such information as confidential unless the disclosing Party authorises non-confidential treatment in writing.
3. All copyright, and other intellectual and industrial rights embodied in documents exchanged between the ECC and the ICU and any copies thereof, remain with the originating Party and extend to all media in which the information may be embodied. Any reference to these documents shall be submitted to the agreement of the originating Party prior to communicating the said material to other bodies. If the representatives of a Party participate in the working group activities of the other Party, the other Party's policy governing intellectual property rights shall apply to that participation.
4. The ECC Chairman and the President of the ICU should meet periodically at their convenience. Chairmen of ECC subordinate bodies and other concerned members/representatives of the ICU may participate in these meetings as appropriate and will be invited accordingly.
5. Within the context of this document, participation of one nominated Observer, or a substitute, from the ICU is normally permitted at meetings of the ECC, its Working Groups, Project Teams and Task Groups, when the agenda contains items of mutual interest.



6. In order to maintain sufficient identity of objectives, an Observer from the ECC shall be regularly invited to relevant plenary meetings of the ICU. An ECC Observer may also be invited to attend, as appropriate, the relevant parts of meetings of other ICU bodies.
7. Observers shall, to the extent permitted by the relevant Party's organisational statutes and rules, be entitled to participate fully in discussions on relevant work items, and may submit written contributions, but shall not be part of the decision making process.
8. The ICU may submit proposals to the relevant ECC body. These shall be adopted subject to the normal ECC process for approval of new work items and outputs.
9. This Agreement shall last for three years and may be renewed by mutual consent. On its expiry, the Agreement shall be automatically renewed for further one-year periods unless otherwise agreed by the Parties. Either Party on giving three months written notice prior to the expiry date can terminate the Agreement.
10. The practical contacts and decisions for the application of this Agreement will be taken between the ECC Chairman and the President of the ICU.

Agreed for the ECC by



CHRIS VAN DIEPENBEEK

ECC Chairman

Date: 15-01-2007

Agreed for the ICU by



ALEXANDER KRUPNOV

President ICU

Date: 29.01.2007