

Overview of events since June 2012 meeting

June 2012

Communications Market Review: July to December 2011 - The MCA is hereby publishing the Communications Market Review for the period July to December 2011. The purpose of this publication is to inform the general public on the main trends and developments in Malta for electronic communications and post.

The report lists a good number of indicators for the aforementioned areas and provides a brief description of observed market trends. Figures are presented on a quarterly basis.

Overview of Contribution and Legal Intercept Costs 2011 - This document gives an overview of the total interception funds collected and the related expenditure incurred, during the period ended 31 December 2011.

Interim Review of Wholesale Mobile Termination Rate - Response to Consultation & Decision, June 2012 - The MCA is today publishing the response to consultation and decision (MCA/D/12-0871) on the new wholesale mobile termination rate which will be applicable as from 1st July 2012.

Overview of total sum of charges collected and administrative costs - This document gives an overview of the total sum of charges collected and administrative costs which has been extracted from the income statement forming part of the 2011 Audited Financial Statements of the Authority.

July 2012

MCA consultation on the provision of dedicated capacity over leased lines in Malta (MCA/C/12-1149) - The MCA has presented for national consultation, its proposed decision on the markets for the provision of dedicated capacity over leased lines in Malta (closed 28 SEP 12).

Issue of Directive Number 1 of 2012 on the Obligation related to the administration of the Unified Legal Interception System - The Malta Communications Authority has issued Directive No. 1 of 2012 on the Obligation relating to the administration of the Unified Legal Interception System. The issue of this Directive is subsequent to the approval by Government of the funding methodology of the Legal Interception System. The new funding methodology will relate to the periods commencing from the 1 January 2012.

Decision on Subscriber Contracts - This Decision addresses the manner in which undertakings are required to provide subscriber contracts for the provision of an electronic communications service/s, in line with Article 23 of the Electronic Communications (Regulation) Act (Cap.399) (ECRA).

August 2012

MCA Decision on wholesale access and call origination on mobile networks

(MCA/D/12-1167) - Following the notification of the respective draft measures to the EU Commission in July 2012, the MCA is today publishing the response to consultation and decision on wholesale access and call origination on mobile networks.

Data Collection External Guidelines - The document gives an overview of the data collection process from the initial data request to the legal process.

MCA initiative to fund research on topics related to telecoms and ICT - The pace of the telecommunications industry has long been driven by technological and regulatory developments, together with increasing demands by technology-hungry customers. Competitive pressure has led market players to innovate further in this sector. Research is the key to continued success as it leads to new knowledge on the market. This intelligence is used for the development of new products and innovative services allowing market players and new entrants to sustain a competitive market to the benefit of the customers.

September 2012

Subscriber Contracts - Proposals and Clarifications to Decision (MCA/C/12-1282)

- In July 2012, the MCA published a Decision on "Subscriber Contracts" which specifies the manner by which any undertaking providing any electronic communications service/s is required to conclude agreements with end-users and the information to be included in such contracts.

Since the publication of the aforementioned Decision, there have been further representations by undertakings relating to a variety of technical, operational and commercial matters. Following the publication of its Decision, the Authority felt the need to revise this and is doing so by virtue of this proposal for amendment

Consultation and Proposed Decision on Estimating the Cost of Capital (MCA/C/12-1306)

- Today the MCA is publishing the Consultation and Proposed Decision on Estimating the Cost of Capital. The consultation period runs till 12:00hrs on 12 October 2012.

Use of ICT by Minors 2012

- The MCA has conducted a survey on the use of ICT by minors. The survey was carried out amongst students attending primary school years 4 to 6 and secondary schools forms 1 to 4 and their parents and gauged ICT access, use, and usage intensity.

Key market indicators for electronic communications and post: Q1 2009 to Q2

2012 - The purpose of this publication is to inform the general public on the main trends and developments in Malta concerning electronic communications and post.

October 2012

Update to EMF results - The MCA has recently updated the EMF section of this site to reflect results of audits carried out in August and September.

Communications Market Review: January to June 2012

The purpose of this publication is to inform the general public on the main trends and developments in Malta for electronic communications and post.

The review lists a good number of indicators for the aforementioned areas and provides a brief description of observed developments. Data is presented on a quarterly basis. The review clearly indicates when and where figures are preliminary or under review and therefore subject to change. It is advised that, in such instances, data is interpreted with caution.

The MCA's New Bottom-up Cost Model for Fixed Networks and Proposed

Interconnection Prices (MCA-C/mc/12-1375) - The MCA published a public consultation on a new Bottom-Up cost model and proposed fixed termination and origination rates as calculated from the model.

Update to EMF results - The MCA has recently updated the EMF section of this site to reflect results of audits carried out in August and September.

eCommerce Business Survey 2012 - The purpose of this research was to gain an insight into the level of Internet and eCommerce usage by the local business community and its potential for growth.

Consumer Complaints received and dealt with by the MCA JUL 2011 – JUL 2012 -

Consumer complaints monthly reports on each of the sectors regulated by the Authority and the operators involved.

MCA Free Wi-Fi locator App now available - As part of its student support programme, during this Summer, the Malta Communications Authority (MCA) engaged a number of students from the University of Malta and other educational institutions offering them the opportunity to put into practice operational and technical skills in the field of ICT.

Info on Purchasing and/or importing wireless equipment from abroad - Ensuring that wireless equipment can be used in Malta without problems.