BEREC and RIPE

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Test case
or
Heads up
or
Both?
BEREC

The Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC).

Established by a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council on 25 November 2009, as part of the Telecom Reform package.

Started work in 2010 and became fully functional during 2011.
BEREC

... contributes to the development and better functioning of the internal market for electronic communications networks and services.

It does so, by aiming to ensure a consistent application of the EU regulatory framework and by aiming to promote an effective internal market in telecoms sector, ...
NRAs and the Commission have to take utmost account of any opinion, recommendation, guidelines, advice or regulatory best practice adopted by BEREC.
The NN roadmap

 BEREC has been looking at Network Neutrality basically since it was set up

 Recent public consultation:

 Monitoring of quality of Internet access services in the context of Network Neutrality. See http://berec.europa.eu
The NN roadmap

Network Neutrality has also recently been discussed in the Parliament on the basis of the new proposed Regulation. Vote on “First Reading”.

Now waiting for the Council. But adoption before year end?
Network Neutrality

The EU approach

Two basic pillars

- Competition & Transparency

Consumers should be able to choose between products they understand
Concepts and terminology

- Internet and “specialised services”
- QoS metrics for Internet access
- Monitoring tools and services
- Access services and IXPs and IPXs and...
So...?

BEREC's work affects the RIPE community - individuals and organisations

BEREC - like the Commission - has their own timetable. We are playing catch-up?

Which WG should take this on, including trying to ensure input for London