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European Regulators Group intensifies work on international roaming

Since the international roaming market needs to be examined in a coordinated way by national regulators in Europe, the ERG decided in September to intensify its work on this issue in close cooperation with each other and the European Commission. As a result, following agreement at the December ERG plenary meeting, national regulatory authorities in the EU and EFTA states will on the 10th of December together send out a questionnaire to the mobile network operators in their respective countries.

The questionnaire will provide the European regulators with comparable information for example on the mobile network operators' wholesale international roaming prices, discounts and traffic direction abilities. This information will help the ERG members undertake a harmonized market analysis and will indicate the need for regulation of wholesale international roaming in Europe. The Group aims to present some preliminary results of its work in May 2005.