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Reaping the full benefits of the digital dividend in Europe: a common approach to the use of the spectrum released by the digital switchover
(2008/2099(INI))

Amendment 1
Dragoş Florin David

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 will as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology free up an unprecedented amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth,

Amendment

A. whereas the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 will as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology free up an unprecedented amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth ***and the expansion of quality consumer services,***

Or. ro

Amendment 2
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 ***will*** as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology free up ***an unprecedented*** amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth,

Amendment

A. whereas the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 ***is expected*** as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology ***to*** free up ***a considerable*** amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth,

Or. fr

Amendment 3
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 will as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology free up ***an unprecedented*** amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth,

Amendment

A. whereas ***it is expected that*** the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 will as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology free up ***a significant*** amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth,

Or. en

Amendment 4
Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 will as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology free up ***an unprecedented*** amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth,

Amendment

A. whereas ***it is expected that*** the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 will as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology free up ***a significant*** amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth,

Or. en

Amendment 5
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

A. whereas the switchover from analogue to digital terrestrial television by the end of 2012 will as a result of the superior transmission efficiency of digital technology free up ***a significant*** amount of spectrum in the European Union, thus offering the possibility of reallocating spectrum and presenting new opportunities for market growth,

Or. ro

Amendment 6
Paul Rübiger

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Aa. whereas the benefits of the use of radio spectrum will be maximised through coordinated action at EU level in order to ensure optimal use in terms of efficiency,

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 7
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Aa. whereas the benefits of the use of the radio spectrum will be maximised through

Amendment

coordinated action at EU level in order to ensure optimal use from a combined social and economic perspective,

Or. en

Amendment 8
Atanas Papparizov

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas the benefits of the use of the radio spectrum will be maximised through coordinated action at EU level in order to ensure optimal use from a combined social and economic perspective,

Or. en

Amendment 9
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas the benefits of the use of the radio spectrum will be maximised through coordinated action at EU level in order to ensure optimal use from a combined social and economic perspective,

Or. en

Amendment 10
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas spectrum *shortage has been an obstacle to the deployment of new services*, and its efficient use is critical in ensuring access to spectrum for the various interested parties which want to offer services,

Amendment

C. whereas spectrum *is both a scarce natural resource and a public asset*, and its efficient use is critical in ensuring access to spectrum for the various interested parties which want to offer services,

Or. fr

Amendment 11
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas *spectrum shortage has been an obstacle to the deployment of new services*, and its efficient use is critical in ensuring access to spectrum for the various interested parties which want to offer services,

Amendment

C. whereas *spectrum remains a limited resource*, and its efficient use is critical in ensuring access to spectrum for the various interested parties which want to offer services,

Or. ro

Amendment 12
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas spectrum *shortage has been an obstacle to the deployment of new services*, and its efficient use is critical in

Amendment

C. whereas spectrum *remains a scare natural resource* and its efficient use is critical in ensuring access to spectrum for

ensuring access to spectrum for the various interested parties which want to offer services,

the various interested parties which want to offer services,

Or. en

Amendment 13

Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas spectrum ***shortage has been an obstacle to the deployment of new services***, and its efficient use is critical in ensuring access to spectrum for the various interested parties which want to offer services,

Amendment

C. whereas spectrum ***remains a scarce natural resource*** and its efficient use is critical in ensuring access to spectrum for the various interested parties which want to offer services,

Or. en

Amendment 14

Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution

Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ca. whereas broadcasters have shown good faith in the efficient use of spectrum by driving forward the digital switchover with significant investment in digital radio and television technology and programming,

Or. en

Amendment 15
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas broadcasters have shown commitment to efficient use of spectrum by driving forward the digital switchover with heavy investment in digital radio and television technology and programming,

Or. en

Amendment 16
Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas broadcasters have shown commitment to efficient use of spectrum by driving forward the digital switchover with heavy investment in digital radio and television technology and programming,

Or. en

Amendment 17
Francisca Pleguezuelos Aguilar

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas efficient use of spectrum also serves the cultural objectives of EU policies ***and should facilitate cultural and linguistic diversity as well as media***

D. whereas efficient use of spectrum also serves the cultural objectives of EU policies, ***and the digital dividend, apart from information society and mobile telephony services, should also facilitate***

pluralism,

cultural diversity as regards audiovisual content, multilingualism and media pluralism,

Or. es

Amendment 18
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas the Commission communication COM(2007)0700 entitled 'Reaping the full benefits of the digital dividend in Europe: a common approach to the use of the spectrum released by the digital switchover' is an integral part of the package on electronic communications adopted by the Commission in November 2007 concerning the reform of the regulatory framework for communications;

Or. ro

Amendment 19
Paul Rübzig

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas in Europe the (re-)allocation of broadcast frequencies to digital broadcasters is currently under way in many Member States with the consequence of these frequencies being allocated and thereby locked away for many years,

Amendment 20
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas technological neutrality is key to the promotion of interoperability and essential to a more flexible and transparent digital switchover policy for the consideration of the public interest,

Or. en

Amendment 21
Erna Hennicot-Schoepges

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas the Council has called on the Member States, as far as possible, to complete the switchover to digital before 2012,

Or. fr

Amendment 22
Erna Hennicot-Schoepges

Motion for a resolution
Recital E b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Eb. whereas all the Member States have published their proposals concerning the

switchover to digital,

Or. fr

Amendment 23
Paul Rübiger

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Recognises the importance of the i2010 initiative as part of the renewed Lisbon Strategy, and emphasises the importance of efficient access to and use of spectrum in achieving the Lisbon goals;

Amendment

1. Recognises the importance of the i2010 initiative as part of the renewed Lisbon Strategy, and emphasises the importance of efficient access to and use of spectrum in achieving the Lisbon goals; ***stresses in this context the need for access to broadband services in order to overcome the "digital divide"***;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Alyn Smith

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

1a. Deplores the uneven access of European citizens to digital services, particularly in broadcasting; notes that rural and peripheral regions are especially disadvantaged (in promptness, choice and quality) with regard to the rollout of digital services; urges Member States and regional authorities to do all in their power to ensure that the digital switchover is conducted quickly and fairly for all their citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Pilar del Castillo Vera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Notes that achieving leadership in broadband and Internet development is crucial for Europe's competitiveness at international level, and highlights the especial importance of developing interactive digital platforms and providing new services such as e-trade, e-health, e-learning and e-government services;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Urges the Member States ***to agree on a common timetable and*** to release their digital dividends as quickly as possible, allowing European citizens to benefit from the deployment of new, innovative and competitive services;

2. Urges the Member States to release their digital dividends as quickly as possible, allowing European citizens to benefit from the deployment of new, innovative and competitive services;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Francisca Pleguezuelos Aguilar

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Urges the Member States to agree on a common timetable and to release their digital dividends as quickly as possible, **allowing** European citizens to benefit from the deployment of new, innovative and competitive services;

Amendment

2. Urges the Member States to agree on a common timetable and to release their digital dividends as quickly as possible, **taking account of the various specific decisions previously adopted by the Member States which allow** European citizens to benefit from the deployment of new, innovative and competitive services;

Or. es

Amendment 28
Nikolaos Vakalis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Urges the Member States to agree on a **common** timetable and to release their digital dividends as quickly as possible, allowing European citizens to benefit from the deployment of new, innovative and competitive services;

Amendment

2. Urges the Member States to agree on a timetable **which will take account of the various possibilities of each Member State** and to release their digital dividends as quickly as possible, allowing European citizens to benefit from the deployment of new, innovative and competitive services;

Or. el

Amendment 29
Dragoş Florin David

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Urges the Member States to agree on a common timetable and to release their digital dividends as quickly as possible, allowing European citizens to benefit from

Amendment

2. Urges the Member States to agree on a common timetable and to release their digital dividends as quickly as possible, allowing European citizens to benefit from

the deployment of new, innovative and competitive services;

the deployment of new, innovative, *efficient* and competitive services;

Or. ro

Amendment 30
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the digital dividend *opens up sufficient spectrum for* broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called “digital divide”;

Amendment

3. Believes that the digital dividend *should provide an opportunity to* broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called “digital divide”;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the digital dividend opens up sufficient spectrum *for* broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called “digital divide”;

Amendment

3. Believes that the digital dividend opens up sufficient spectrum, *offering* broadcasters *a significant opportunity* to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called “digital divide”, *in keeping with public interest objectives*;

Or. fr

Amendment 32
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the digital dividend ***opens up sufficient spectrum*** for broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called 'digital divide';

Amendment

3. Believes that the digital dividend ***should provide an opportunity*** for broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called 'digital divide'; ***considers that Member States need to ensure that rural areas, where the 'digital divide' is most evident, can derive greater benefits and be given priority in terms of the opportunities opened up by the digital dividend;***

Or. ro

Amendment 33
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the digital dividend opens up sufficient spectrum for broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called “digital divide”;

Amendment

3. Believes that the digital dividend opens up sufficient spectrum for broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called “digital divide”, ***while not allowing interoperability barriers and vendor capture;***

Or. en

Amendment 34
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the digital dividend opens up sufficient spectrum for broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband **applications** designed to overcome the so-called “digital divide”;

Amendment

3. Believes that the digital dividend opens up sufficient spectrum for broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as **new** broadband **technologies and access services**, designed to overcome the so-called “digital divide”;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Werner Langen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the digital dividend opens up sufficient spectrum for broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called ‘digital divide’;

Amendment

3. Believes that the digital dividend opens up sufficient spectrum for broadcasters to significantly develop and expand their services and at the same time to take into account other potential social, cultural and economic applications, such as **mobile** broadband applications designed to overcome the so-called ‘digital divide’;

Or. de

Amendment 36
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Emphasises, with regard to spectrum management, the general principles of technology and service neutrality in order to promote competition; points out that spectrum should be managed in a manner which is flexible and transparent and which facilitates cultural and linguistic diversity, freedom of expression, and media pluralism and takes into account the technical, social, cultural and political needs of all Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Zdzisław Kazimierz Chmielewski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Urges the Member States to step up measures to enable disabled and elderly users and users with special social needs to make the most of the benefits provided by the digital dividend;

Or. pl

Amendment 38
Mary Honeyball

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Stresses that the "digital divide" is not just a rural issue; highlights the difficulty in fitting some older high-rise buildings with the infrastructure for new networks; underlines the benefit that spectrum can play in overcoming the "digital divide" in both urban and rural areas;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Points out that the digital dividend opens up a substantial amount of spectrum, which could in particular be used to improve provision of wireless broadband services in rural areas and remote regions;

Or. de

Amendment 40
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated ***approach to*** usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-

scarce resource;

optimal use of this scarce resource;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this scarce resource;

Amendment

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this scarce resource; ***considers that, while closer coordination and greater flexibility are necessary for efficient exploitation of the spectrum, the Commission and the Member States need to strike an appropriate balance between flexibility and the degree of harmonisation, with a view to deriving maximum benefit from the digital dividend;***

Or. ro

Amendment 42
Dragoș Florin David

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this

Amendment

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this

scarce resource;

scarce resource ***and the fact that this potential benefit is especially important for mobile services;***

Or. en

Amendment 43
Paul Rübzig

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this scarce resource;

Amendment

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this scarce resource; ***and that this potential benefit is especially important for mobile services;***

Or. en

Amendment 44
Werner Langen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this scarce resource;

Amendment

4. Underlines the potential benefits of a coordinated usage of spectrum in the EU in terms of economies of scale, as well as the need to make the best use of the digital dividend in order to avoid fragmentation, which leads to a sub-optimal use of this scarce resource ***and would jeopardise the development of mobile broadband services;***

Amendment 45
Pilar del Castillo Vera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Welcomes the efforts that some Member States have shown on switching to digital broadcasting and/or identifying their digital dividend; calls upon Member States to release their digital dividend without undue delay in order to enable Europe to take advantage of new, innovative and competitive services;

Or. en

Amendment 46
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Stresses that the main guiding principle in the allocation of the digital dividend should be ensuring the best social, cultural and economic value in terms of an enhanced and geographically wider offer of services and digital content to citizens, ***and not only maximising public revenues;***

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Or. en

Amendment 47
Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the main guiding principle in the allocation of the digital dividend should be ensuring the best social, cultural and economic value in terms of an enhanced and geographically wider offer of services and digital content to citizens, **and not only maximising public revenues;**

Amendment

5. Stresses that the main guiding principle in the allocation of the digital dividend should be ensuring the best social, cultural and economic value in terms of an enhanced and geographically wider offer of services and digital content to citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 48
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the main guiding principle in the allocation of the digital dividend should be ensuring the best social, cultural and economic value in terms of an enhanced and geographically wider offer of services and digital content to citizens, and not only maximising public revenues;

Amendment

5. Stresses that the main guiding principle in the allocation of the digital dividend should be **to serve the general interest by** ensuring the best social, cultural and economic value in terms of an enhanced and geographically wider offer of services and digital content to citizens, and not only maximising public revenues;

Or. ro

Amendment 49
Atanas Paparizov

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Confirms the societal value of public safety services and the need to include support for their operational requirements into the spectrum arrangements arising from the reorganisation of the UHF band resulting from the switch-off of analogue services;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Pilar del Castillo Vera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Calls for close cooperation among Member States to achieve an efficient, open and competitive electronic communications internal market which will allow the deployment of new network technologies;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Confirms the societal value of public safety services and the need to include support for their operational requirements into the spectrum arrangements arising from the reorganisation of the UHF band resulting from the switch-off of analogue

services;

Or. en

Amendment 52

Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Underlines the contribution that the digital dividend can make to the provision of enhanced social services to citizens, in particular those living in *underprivileged*, isolated areas, such as *e-government, e-health and e-education*;

Amendment

7. Underlines the contribution that the digital dividend can make to the provision of enhanced social services, *such as e-government, e-health, e-vocational training and e-education*, to citizens, in particular those living in *less favoured*, isolated areas, such as *rural and less developed areas and islands*;

Or. fr

Amendment 53

David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Underlines the contribution that the digital dividend can make to the provision of enhanced social services to citizens, in particular those living in underprivileged, isolated areas, such as e-government, e-health and e-education;

Amendment

7. Underlines the contribution that the digital dividend can make to the provision of enhanced *interoperable* social services to citizens, in particular those living in underprivileged, isolated areas, such as e-government, e-health and e-education;

Or. en

Amendment 54
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Emphasises that the main priority of the policy on reaping the full benefits of the digital dividend in Europe is to ensure that consumers' rights are fully respected whilst enabling them to enjoy a very broad range of high-quality services, taking account of the need to make effective use of the spectrum released by the switchover to digital;

Or. fr

Amendment 55
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Stresses that the digital dividend is also an important instrument in audiovisual and media policies which ***could effectively*** promote and protect freedom of expression and cultural and media pluralism;

8. Stresses that the digital dividend is also an important instrument in audiovisual and media policies which ***should be used effectively to*** promote and protect freedom of expression and ***to pursue cultural and media policy objectives such as cultural and linguistic diversity*** and media pluralism;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Stresses that the digital dividend is also an important instrument in audiovisual and media policies which **could effectively** promote and protect freedom of expression and cultural and media pluralism;

Amendment

8. Stresses that the digital dividend is also an important instrument in audiovisual and media policies which **should be used effectively to** promote and protect freedom of expression and cultural and media pluralism;

Or. en

Amendment 57

Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Stresses that the digital dividend is also an important instrument in audiovisual and media policies which **could** effectively promote and protect freedom of expression and cultural and media pluralism;

Amendment

8. Stresses that the digital dividend is also an important instrument in audiovisual and media policies which **must be used to** effectively promote and protect freedom of expression and cultural and media pluralism;

Or. ro

Amendment 58

Werner Langen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Amendment

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector, **and thus increase the efficiency of radio-cluster spectrum use by concentrating**

such unlicensed uses in the currently unused frequencies ('white spaces') outside the geographically limited areas covered by digital radio;

Or. de

Amendment 59
Nikolaos Vakalis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Amendment

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector *and, principally, whether and how unlicensed access can be reconciled with the promotion of innovation and not result in distortion of competition or shortage of spectrum;*

Or. el

Amendment 60
Pilar del Castillo Vera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the *appropriateness* of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Amendment

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the *social, cultural and economic value* of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector, *and to increase the overall efficiency of spectrum usage by focussing such unlicensed uses on the unused*

spectrum in the broadcast cluster (“white spaces”);

Or. en

Amendment 61

Paul Rübiger

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Amendment

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector, *and to increase the overall efficiency of spectrum usage by focussing such unlicensed uses on the unused spectrum in the broadcast cluster (“white spaces”);*

Or. en

Amendment 62

Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Amendment

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector, *under conditions of non-interference with licensed users;*

Or. en

Amendment 63
Dragoş Florin David

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Encourages Member States to take into account the **appropriateness** of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Amendment

9. Encourages Member States to take into account **the social, cultural and economic value** of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Encourages Member States to **take into account** the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Amendment

9. Encourages Member States to **consider** the appropriateness of allowing unlicensed users access to the dividend, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and the not-for-profit sector;

Or. ro

Amendment 65
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Calls on Member States to support enhanced cooperation measures between spectrum management authorities to consider areas where unlicensed white

space spectrum allocation would allow new technologies and services to emerge so as to foster innovation;

Or. en

Amendment 66
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Encourages Member States to consider in the context of white space allocation the needs for unlicensed open access to spectrum by non-commercial and educational service providers and local communities which are driven by a public service mission;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Zdzisław Kazimierz Chmielewski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Stresses that one of the key elements when seeking to provide access to the digital dividend for unlicensed users is the need to take account of the needs of social groups threatened with exclusion, particularly disabled and elderly users and users with special social needs;

Or. pl

Amendment 68
Mary Honeyball

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Recognises the benefit of new technologies, such as WiFi and Bluetooth, that have emerged in the unlicensed 2,4 GHz band; recognises that different frequencies are best suited for different services; believes that allocating a small amount of unlicensed spectrum in other lower frequencies could encourage yet more innovation in new services;

Or. en

Amendment 69
Paul Rübiger

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Encourages the Member States to assess in detail the social and economic value of any spectrum freed up in the upcoming years by the switchover from analogue to digital broadcast;

Or. en

Amendment 70
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11. Recognises the ***contribution*** of the ITU

11. Recognises the ***importance*** of the ITU

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Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) *to the reorganisation of the UHF band*;

Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) *and of national frequency allocation plans as well as and of the decisions* of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07);

Or. en

Amendment 71
Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recognises the *contribution* of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) *and* of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) *to the reorganisation of the UHF band*;

Amendment

11. Recognises the *importance* of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) *and of national frequency allocation plans as well as of the decisions* of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07);

Or. en

Amendment 72
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recognises the *contribution* of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) *to the reorganisation of the UHF band*;

Amendment

11. Recognises the *importance* of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006), *of the national frequency allocation plans*, and of *the decisions* of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07);

Or. ro

Amendment 73
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recognises the *contribution* of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) to the reorganisation of the UHF band;

Amendment

11. Recognises the *contributions of the United Nations Internet Governance Forum and* of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) to the reorganisation of the UHF band;

Or. en

Amendment 74
Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recognises the contribution of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) to the reorganisation of the UHF band;

Amendment

11. Recognises the contribution of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) *and national spectrum use plans* to the reorganisation of the UHF band;

Or. de

Amendment 75
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recognises the **contribution** of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) to the reorganisation of the UHF band;

Amendment

11. Recognises the **importance** of the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) to the reorganisation of the UHF band;

Or. fr

Amendment 76

Erna Hennicot-Schoepges

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls on Member States to develop, following a common methodology, national digital dividend strategies by the end of 2009; urges the Commission to assist Member States in the development of their national digital dividend strategies and to promote best practice at EU level;

Amendment

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 77

Werner Langen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls on Member States to develop, following a common methodology, national digital dividend strategies by the ***end of 2009***; urges the Commission to assist Member States in the development of their national digital dividend strategies

Amendment

12. Calls on Member States to develop, ***as quickly as possible***, following a common methodology, national digital dividend strategies by ***mid-2009 at the latest***; urges the Commission to assist Member States in the development of their national digital

and to promote best practice at EU level;

dividend strategies and to promote best practice at EU level *by setting key deadlines for the release and allocation of the dividend and putting forward by the end of 2008 a framework proposal for the harmonised use of the dividend;*

Or. de

Amendment 78
Nikolaos Vakalis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Underlines that the immediacy of switchover in some Member States and the differences in national switchover plans require **a** response at Community level that can not wait until the reform directives enter into force;

Amendment

13. Underlines that the immediacy of switchover in some Member States and the differences in national switchover plans require **an immediate** response at Community level that **will facilitate coordination at variable speeds but towards common objectives;**

Or. el

Amendment 79
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that a coordinated approach **at Community level is the only** way to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Amendment

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that a coordinated approach is **a suitable** way to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Amendment 80
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that *a coordinated approach* at Community level is the *only way* to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Amendment

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that *an approach based on gradual coordination* at Community level is the *correct one in order* to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Or. ro

Amendment 81
Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that a coordinated approach at Community level is *the only* way to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Amendment

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that a coordinated approach at Community level is *a suitable* way to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 82
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that a coordinated approach at Community level is **the only** way to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Amendment

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that a coordinated approach at Community level is **one** way to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Or. fr

Amendment 83
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that a coordinated approach at Community level is the only way to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Amendment

14. Acknowledges the right of Member States to determine the use of the digital dividend, but affirms also that a coordinated approach at Community level **greatly enhances the value of the dividend and** is the only way to avoid harmful interference between Member States and between Member States and third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 84
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Calls on the regulators to ensure that all commercial licensees seeking to provide a commercial mobile radio service in the upper 700 MHz spectrum band open their networks to interconnect with any third party, such as an ISP, at any reasonable point in the wireless network;

Or. en

Amendment 85

Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Supports a common and balanced approach to the use of digital dividend, allowing both broadcasters to continue offering and expanding their services and electronic communications operators to use this resource to deploy new services addressing other important social and economic uses, but stresses that in any case the digital dividend should be allocated on a technology-neutral basis;

15. Supports a common and balanced approach to the use of digital dividend, allowing both broadcasters to continue offering and expanding their services and electronic communications operators to use this resource to deploy new services addressing other important social and economic uses, but stresses that in any case the digital dividend should be allocated on a technology-neutral basis, ***whilst taking account of national restrictions justified on public interest grounds;***

Or. fr

Amendment 86

Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Stresses that spectrum policy needs to be dynamic and to enable broadcasters and communications operators to employ new technologies and develop new services allowing them to continue to play a key role in achieving the objectives of cultural and media policy, while also providing new high-quality communications services;

Or. ro

Amendment 87
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Stresses that spectrum policy has to be dynamic and that it should enable broadcasters to use future new technology and develop new services which will enable them to continue to play an important role in achieving cultural and media policy objectives, meeting the expectations of the public;

Or. en

Amendment 88
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Stresses that spectrum policy has to be dynamic, aiming to promote future use

of new technology and develop new services in order to achieve cultural and media policy objectives, meeting the evolving expectations of the public;

Or. en

Amendment 89
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the potential benefits in terms of economies of scale, innovation, interoperability and the provision of potential pan-European services of following a coordinated approach and, wherever possible, of **harmonising at Community level common spectrum sub-bands of the digital dividend** for different **application clusters** on a technology-neutral basis; encourages Member States to work together and with the Commission to identify such **sub-bands**;

Amendment

16. Stresses the potential benefits in terms of economies of scale, innovation, interoperability and the provision of potential pan-European services of following a coordinated approach and, wherever possible, of **using the digital dividend at Community level** for different **applications** on a technology-neutral basis; encourages Member States to work together and with the Commission to identify such **harmonisation possibilities**;

Or. ro

Amendment 90
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the potential benefits in terms of economies of scale, innovation, interoperability and the provision of potential pan-European services of following a coordinated approach and, wherever possible, of harmonising at

Amendment

16. Stresses the potential benefits in terms of economies of scale, innovation, interoperability and the provision of potential pan-European services of following a coordinated approach and, wherever possible, of harmonising at

Community level ***common spectrum sub-bands*** of the digital dividend for different application clusters on a technology-neutral basis; encourages Member States to work together and with the Commission to identify such ***sub-bands***;

Community level ***the usage*** of the digital dividend for different application clusters on a technology-neutral basis; encourages Member States to work together and with the Commission to identify such ***possibilities for harmonisation***;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the potential benefits in terms of economies of scale, innovation, interoperability and the provision of potential pan-European services of following a coordinated approach ***and, wherever possible, of harmonising*** at Community level common spectrum sub-bands of the digital dividend for different ***application clusters*** on a technology-neutral basis; encourages Member States to work together and with the Commission to identify such sub-bands;

Amendment

16. Stresses the potential benefits in terms of economies of scale, innovation, interoperability and the provision of potential pan-European services of following a coordinated approach at Community level ***to*** common spectrum sub-bands of the digital dividend for different ***applications*** on a technology-neutral basis; encourages Member States to work together and with the Commission to identify such sub-bands;

Or. fr

Amendment 92
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Requests the Commission to apply the recommendations of the European Interoperability Framework for eGovernment services for its own

spectrum services;

Or. en

Amendment 93

Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach *of the Commission, based on three different clusters of the UHF spectrum*, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach *at Community level, in close cooperation with the Member States and national regulatory authorities*, taking into account the potential for *harmful* radio interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Or. fr

Amendment 94

Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports *the coordination approach of the Commission, based on three different clusters of the UHF spectrum*, taking into account the potential for *radio* interference arising from the co-existence of different

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports *a coordinated approach at Community level*, taking into account the potential for *damaging* interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing

types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

authorisations;

Or. ro

Amendment 95
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports ***the coordination*** approach ***of the Commission, based on three different clusters of the UHF spectrum***, taking into account the potential for ***radio*** interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports ***a coordinated*** approach ***at Community level***, taking into account the potential for ***harmful*** interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports ***the coordination*** approach ***of the Commission***, based on ***three*** different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for ***radio*** interference arising from the co-existence of different

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports ***a coordinated*** approach ***at Community level***, based on different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for ***harmful*** interference arising from the co-existence

types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Or. en

Amendment 97
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on *three* different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on different clusters of the UHF spectrum *for unidirectional and bi-directional services respectively*, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Pilar del Castillo Vera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on *three* different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from

arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Or. en

Amendment 99
Paul Rübiger

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on *three* different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Or. en

Amendment 100
Dragoș Florin David

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on *three* different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from

arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Or. ro

Amendment 101
Werner Langen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on *three* different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

Or. de

Amendment 102
Erna Hennicot-Schoepges

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on three different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference

Amendment

17. In order to achieve a more efficient use of spectrum and to facilitate the emergence of innovative and successful national, cross-border and pan-European services, supports the coordination approach of the Commission, based on three different clusters of the UHF spectrum, taking into account the potential for radio interference

arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band and the existing authorisations;

arising from the co-existence of different types of networks in the same band, *the ITU Geneva-06 Agreement (Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2006) and of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07)* and the existing authorisations;

Or. fr

Amendment 103
Paul Rübiger

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Recognises that the increased spectrum efficiency of digital terrestrial television should allow for around 100 MHz of digital dividend to be re-allocated to mobile broadband and other services (e.g. public safety services, RFID, road safety applications etc.) whilst ensuring that broadcasting services can continue to flourish;

Or. en

Amendment 104
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Urges the Commission to investigate the regional dimension of the emerging technology wireless mesh networks and the benefits that could be obtained from a regional approach to spectrum;

Amendment 105
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Urges the Commission to undertake, in cooperation with the Member States, the appropriate technical and socio-economic studies to determine the size and characteristics *of the sub-bands that* could be coordinated or harmonised at Community level

Amendment

18. Urges the Commission to undertake, in cooperation with the Member States *on the basis of a common methodology*, the appropriate technical and socio-economic studies *and cost-benefit analyses* to determine the size and characteristics of *such sub-bands as* could be coordinated or harmonised at Community level; *believes that the Commission should ensure that Member States carry out a cost-benefit analysis in order to identify the bands which could be harmonised for clearly defined pan-European services or interoperable services at Community level, and to determine the corresponding spectrum allocations; calls on the Commission to ensure that a coordinated approach to spectrum use does not exclude any sector a priori or create new barriers to future innovation;*

Or. ro

Amendment 106
Werner Langen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Urges the Commission to *undertake*, in cooperation with the Member States, the appropriate technical and socio-economic studies to determine the size and

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18. Urges the Commission to *conduct*, in cooperation with the Member States, the appropriate technical and socio-economic studies to determine the size and

characteristics of the sub-bands that could be coordinated or harmonised at Community level;

characteristics of the sub-bands that could be coordinated or harmonised at Community level; ***these studies should take account of the fact that as a result of constantly developing technical possibilities the dividend is not static, and that instead the future introduction of new technical developments (such as DVB-T2 and MPEG4) should make it possible in the long term to split the UHF band equally between radio and mobile broadband services;***

Or. de

Amendment 107
Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Urges the Commission to undertake, in cooperation with the Member States, the appropriate technical and socio-economic studies to determine the size and characteristics of the sub-bands that could be coordinated or harmonised at Community level;

Amendment

18. Urges the Commission to undertake, in cooperation with the Member States, the appropriate technical and socio-economic studies to determine the size and characteristics of the sub-bands that could be coordinated or harmonised at Community level; ***such studies should take into account that the dividend is not static, but that technological development is ongoing and implementation of new technologies should allow the usage of the UHF band for both broadcast and mobile broadband services in the long term;***

Or. en

Amendment 108
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Urges the Commission to undertake, in cooperation with the Member States, the appropriate technical and socio-economic studies ***to determine the size and characteristics of the sub-bands that could be coordinated or harmonised*** at Community level;

Amendment

18. Urges the Commission to undertake, in cooperation with the Member States, the appropriate technical and socio-economic studies ***for a common approach*** at Community level;

Or. en

Amendment 109

Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

18a. Considers that, albeit spectrum management is a competence of the Member States, only a Community approach can ensure efficient spectrum use and maximum user benefits from the digital dividend for the citizens of the Union; Member States must ensure efficient spectrum use and, in case of inefficient use, have the power to reduce or withdraw radio frequency allocations;

Or. ro

Amendment 110

Paul Rübzig

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

18a. Recognises that the minimum harmonised spectrum requirement for

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mobile broadband services in the UHF band is at least 72 MHz at the top of the band (790-862 MHz), but that extra spectrum should be made available below this for mobile broadband services on at least a national basis where possible and where demand requires it;

Or. en

Amendment 111
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Requests the Commission to conduct a study on conflicts between users of Open Source Software and certification authorities concerning software defined radios;

Or. en

Amendment 112
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Considers that the part of the harmonised spectrum at Community level dedicated to emergency services should be able to provide access to future broadband technologies for the retrieval and transmission of information needed for the protection of human life via more efficient response on the part of the emergency services;

Amendment 113
David Hammerstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Asks the Commission to propose steps for a reduction of legal liabilities in the context of wireless mesh network provision;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend;

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 115
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, **a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend;**

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, **a proposal for a Community strategy for closer coordination of the use of the digital dividend in line with the frequency plans agreed at international level; this proposal should be compatible with the final provisions of the legislative package on a new regulatory framework for communications;**

Or. ro

Amendment 116
Alexander Alvaro, Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, **a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend;**

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, **a proposal for better coordination at Community level of the use of the digital dividend in accordance with internationally agreed frequency plans;**

Amendment 117
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, **a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend;**

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, a proposal **for better coordination of the use of the digital dividend at Community level in accordance with internationally agreed frequency plans;**

Amendment 118
Anni Podimata

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission **to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and** having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations **and** taking due account of national specificities, **a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands**

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission, having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations, **to submit the completed studies to the European Parliament and to the Council,** taking due account of national specificities, **with a view to the more effective coordination at EU level of the use of the digital dividend;**

of the digital dividend;

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Amendment 119
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of measures to *reserve* and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend;

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of *non-binding* measures to *harmonise* and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend;

Or. en

Amendment 120
Paul Rübigen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the

adoption of measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend;

adoption of **binding** measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend; ***underlines that one sub-band for mobile broadband services should be planned from 790-862 MHz as a starting point;***

Or. en

Amendment 121
Werner Langen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the Radio Spectrum Policy Group and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend;

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission to submit, as soon as these studies have been completed and having consulted both the ***high-level*** Radio Spectrum Policy Group (***RSPG***) and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations and taking due account of national specificities, a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for the adoption of measures to reserve and coordinate at EU level common sub-bands of the digital dividend ***which are suitable for mobile broadband services; a first sub-band should be planned for the 790-862 MHz range, which should be expanded as soon as further frequencies are released, with a view to achieving the long-term objective of the equal division of the spectrum between radio and mobile broadband services;***

Or. de

Amendment 122
Paul Rübige

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Believes that clustering within the UHF-band should be based on a bottom-up approach according to the specifics of the national markets while ensuring that harmonisation at community level takes places wherever this creates a clear added value;

Or. en

Amendment 123
Nikolaos Vakalis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Urges the Commission to seek cooperation with neighbouring countries of the 27 Member States of the EU so that they adopt similar frequency maps or coordinate the allocation of their frequencies with the EU in order to avoid disruptions to the operation of telecommunications applications;

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