

# BCO Network

# BCO Portugal

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**76% EU citizens  
NGA connected,  
BUT only 40% in rural areas.**

**Market failure  
due to lack of business case  
in some areas.**

**Intervention needed  
on selective basis.**

# The Connectivity Objectives

## **DSM targets for 2020:**

- 30 Mbps or more for all citizens
- 100 Mbps or more by 50% of households

## **Gigabit Society targets for 2025:**

- 1 Gbps for all schools, transport hubs and main providers of public services and digitally intensive enterprises
- 100 Mbps to be upgraded to 1 Gbps for all European households
- 5G wireless broadband coverage



# The BCO Initiative

The **European Commission** called on **Member States** to create a **network of Broadband Competence Offices** to address these issues.

Indeed some of the hurdles seem recurrent:

- Regulatory
- Technical
- Finance

# The BCO Network

A 28 EU Member States Network to:

- Share good practices
- Learn from each other
- Develop common tools and resources
- Build competence

At **national** and **regional** level

Accelerate uptake  
of public funds for broadband



# Objectives:

- Reinforcing the BCO Network's membership and identity; increasing BCOs' ownership of the Network
- Identifying potential measures to enhance BCOs' technical and coordination capacity
- Promoting the creations of BCOs at regional level
- Disseminating knowledge, including the exchange of good practices
- Identification of potential multipliers involved in the implementation of broadband plans in Europe

# Thematic priorities for 2020:

- Mapping
- Investment in grey areas
- 5G
- EU financing for broadband in the future MFF



# Good practices

Check-out:

- the [database](#) of good practices in broadband projects
- the [European Broadband Awards archive](#)
- the [BCO Network video interview series](#) on good practices in broadband projects
- the Broadband Europe [portal](#) and [newsletter](#)

# Good practices in your country?

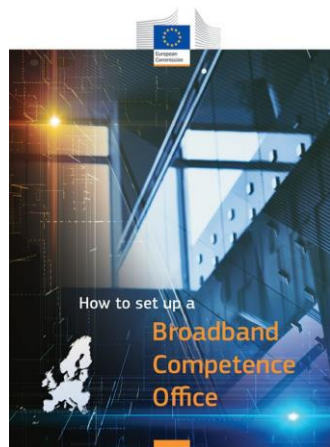
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# Brochures

- A series of [publications](#) supporting broadband roll-out in Europe



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