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European regulators deepen discussions with focus on Article 7 notification issues

At the ninth plenary meeting of the European Regulators Group in Luxemburg on June 16 and 17, the regulators decided to change the structure of ERG plenaries to allow for more in-depth discussion of key topics. This will be done by incorporating a seminar-like part, focussing on a particular topic, into each plenary meeting. In addition, annual whole-day seminars will also be arranged. The in-depth discussions will also allow for external parties, where appropriate, to make presentations on strategic issues.

In particular, the Group intends to discuss general problems arisen in the context of procedures according to Article 7 of the Framework Directive.

ERG decided to add a part on wholesale broadband access to cable TV networks to the ERG Common Position on bitstream access. This addition will be consulted publicly.

Discussing the financial regulation of mobile payments, the ERG asked the Commission to take the necessary steps to remove barriers to the development of mobile services.