

RSPG WG European Spectrum Strategy 2nd Stakeholder Workshop
10am – 4pm, Friday 28th June 2019

Ofcom, Riverside House, Southwark Bridge Road, London,

Background to the RSPG European Spectrum Strategy Work

The RSPG is leading European thinking on a long-term spectrum strategy that seeks to anticipate challenges facing spectrum managers and users over the next 10-20 years and take a view on how best to enable the future needs of all spectrum users.

The rapid pace of change in wireless communications technologies and markets presents immediate challenges for spectrum management. However, there is a cumulative effect of these developments and a risk that spectrum policy decisions are taken in isolation and with reference to the policy imperatives of the day rather than as part of delivering a wider strategic vision that could deliver greater potential long-term benefits.

We want to engage with as wide a group of stakeholders as possible, to help us examine the strategic challenges in spectrum management and access and consider whether we are addressing the right issues and probe what the drivers are in terms of development of a European spectrum strategy.

1st Workshop – Dublin September 2018

At the first workshop in Dublin in September 2018, we introduced the work that the RSPG is undertaking to stakeholders. We identified and discussed some of the key issues, prioritising innovation and sharing which were discussed at length during the workshop.

2nd Workshop – London June 2019

Now, we want to talk with stakeholders on the next issues identified: market mechanisms and the future role of harmonisation and receivers and equipment standards. We have organised a workshop in London to which we hope a wide cross section of stakeholders will come.

The goal of our strategy work will be to bring together the work from these workshops to enable RSPG to ensure that spectrum policies meet the needs of all spectrum users.

Draft agenda

- Welcome
- Update to the work for the European Spectrum Strategy Working Group, including on innovation and sharing
- Breakout sessions to focus on the role of 'market mechanisms' (e.g. trading, leasing, spectrum pricing) and what's the future role of technical harmonisation and standards
- Reconvene to discuss outcomes of breakout sessions and next steps

Venue

The workshop will be held at Ofcom HQ in London on 28th June 2019. Lunch will be provided.

Participation

We are keen to hear the views of as many stakeholders as possible from sector who will be impacted by spectrum use and would also like as many stakeholders to attend as possible.

To register your interest please contact Claire Lyons – claire.lyons@ofcom.org.uk