



Press release

European Regulators Group for Postal Services (ERGP) 22nd Plenary meeting

Madrid 1st July 2022

The European Regulators Group for Postal Services (ERGP) held its first Plenary meeting for 2022, under the chairmanship of Prof. Dr. Mariano Bacigalupo Saggese, Member of the Board of Directors of the Spanish Comisión Nacional de los Mercados y la Competencia, supported by the Vice-Chairs Dr. Spyros Pantelis, Vice-President of the Hellenic Telecommunications and Post Commission (EETT), and Mr Petros Galides, Deputy Commissioner of Electronic Communications and Postal Regulation (OCECPR).

The Plenary discussed the ERGP's Draft Work Programme (WP) for 2023 by taking into account the three strategic pillars of the Draft ERGP Medium Term Strategy (MTS) 2023-2025 that was also presented.

The Draft WP 2023 and the Draft MTS will be submitted for public consultation from 8 July until 8 October 2022.

The strategic pillars are: (1) revisiting the postal sector and its regulatory framework in the light of environmental sustainability and digitalization; (2) promoting a competitive EU postal single market in the context of rising e-commerce deliveries and (3) empowerment of end-users and ensuring a user-oriented Universal Service.

The Plenary also supported the need for a revision of the Postal Services Directive and believes that the Council Presidency held by the Czech Republic can play an important role in this process.

Additionally, the Plenary took note that the work of all sub-groups is advancing as foreseen. Furthermore, the Plenary adopted for publication the following report: ERGP PL I (22) 13- Analysis of Article 6 of the Regulation (EU) 2018/644 on cross-border parcel delivery services. The report will be made public on the ERGP website.

On the 30th of June, prior to the Plenary, the ERGP held an internal Workshop on Sustainability Strategies and Regulation. Postal operators, other experts from the postal industry and the academic world shared their recent experiences and recommendations to further promote environmental sustainability in the postal sector, followed by constructive exchanges and a regulatory debate between the ERGP members.



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About the ERGP

The ERGP (European Regulators Group for Postal Services) is composed of the 27 national regulatory authorities (NRAs) for postal services of the EU, as well as national regulatory authorities from countries of the European Economic Area and countries with candidate status to join the EU. The ERGP advises and assists the Commission on the development of the internal market for postal services and on the consistent application in all Member States of the regulatory framework for postal services.