



# Brussels Telecommunications and Media Forum 2023 – in person

**Date:** 22nd - 23rd March 2023

**Location:** Brussels, Belgium

---

## Agenda: Wednesday 22 March 2023

### 07:45-09:15: By-invitation breakfast roundtable

#### **Content streaming in Europe: sustainable growth for the creative economy**

Sharing perspectives and insights among European regulators, policymakers and network providers on how streaming contributes to the virtuous cycle of investment and skills, highlighting policies that encourage the entry and expansion of streaming services and the sustainable growth of local creative economies and ICT ecosystems.

Kindly hosted by **The Walt Disney Company**

Moderator

**Clive Kenny**, Manager, Telecoms, Media and Digital Practice, Frontier Economics

Speakers

**Sabine Verheyen**, Member of the European Parliament; Chairwoman of the Committee for Culture and Education (CULT)

**Thomas Spiller**, Vice President, Public Policy, Europe, Middle East & Africa, The Walt Disney Company

**Cristina Vela**, Head of EU Affairs, Telefónica

**Jaymeen Patel**, Head of EU Digital Public Policy, Amazon

### 08:30-09:20: Registration and Refreshments

### 09:20-09:30: Welcome

**Lynn Robinson**, Director General, International Institute of Communications

**Michel Van Bellinghen**, Chairman of the Council, Belgian Institute for Postal Services and Telecommunications (BIPT)

### 09:30-11:00: Delivering Europe's Digital Decade - closing the funding gap

Update on key mechanisms on the table:

- Gigabit Infrastructure Act,
- state aid for broadband networks,
- direct compensation or “fair share”,
- mergers & acquisitions

Moderator

**Martin Duckworth**, Director, Frontier Economics

Keynote

**Prof. Konstantinos Masselos**, President, Hellenic Telecommunications & Post Commission (EETT); BEREC Chair 2023

Panellists

**Krzysztof Kuik**, Head of Unit C.4 – State Aids, DG COMPETITION, European Commission

**Clive Carter**, Regulatory Affairs Director, BT

**Juan Montero Rodil**, Chief Public Policy, Competition & Regulatory Officer, Telefónica

**Nina Cummins**, Head of Connectivity & Access Policy, EMEA, Meta

## **11:00-11:30: Networking Break**

## **11:30-11:45: Keynote - How to grow a cyber-innovative ecosystem in Europe**

**Royal Hansen**, Vice President, Privacy, Safety and Security Engineering, Google

## **11:45-13:15: DMA in practice - progress with implementation and harmonization; creation of opportunities for new entrants**

Moderator

**Chiara Garbellini**, Principal Consultant, DT Economics LLP

Panellists

**Denis Sparas**, Legal and Policy Officer, DG CNECT, European Commission

**Matt Allison**, Senior Public Policy Manager, Vodafone

**Emmanuel Gabla**, Membre du Collège, Autorite de Regulation des Communications Electroniques et des Postes (ARCEP), France

**Martin Duckworth**, Director, Frontier Economics

## **13:15-14:15: Networking Lunch**

## **14:15-15:45: Future of enterprise connectivity and networks across Europe**

Role of traditional operators / private networks / new entrants; evolution of regulatory models; data governance and cybersecurity considerations

Moderator

**Christopher Mondini**, Vice President, Stakeholder Engagement, Europe and Managing Director, Brussels Office, ICANN

Speakers

**Lorelien Hoet**, Director of EU Government Affairs, Microsoft

**Dan Sjöblom**, Director General, Swedish Post and Telecom Authority (PTS)

**Luc Hindryckx**, Director General, European Competitive Telecommunications Association (ECTA)

## **1545-1615: Networking Break**

## **16:15-17:45: Driving a sustainable (tele)comms sector - how are networks working to reach Net Zero and assisting other sectors in their green goals?**

In-house transformation; the enabling role for other sectors; setting KPIs and metrics; tie-in with broader ESG strategies; regulatory responsibilities.

Moderator

**Matthew Kirk**, International Affairs Adviser, Squire Patton Boggs

Speakers

**Eke Vermeer**, Vice President Public Affairs, Liberty Global

**Annemarie Sipkes**, Director Telecommunications, Transport and Postal Services Department, Dutch Authority for Consumers and Markets (ACM); BEREC Vice Chair 2023

**Daniel Mes**, Cabinet Member, Executive Vice-President Frans Timmermans, European Commission

**Marc Vancoppenolle**, Vice President Government Affairs International, Nokia

**Bertrand Déprez**, Vice President EU Government Affairs, Schneider Electric

## **17:45: Close of TMF day 1**

**Lynn Robinson**, Director General, International Institute of Communications

## **1745-1900: Networking Reception**

Kindly sponsored by **Liberty Global**

---

# **Agenda: Thursday 23 March 2023**

## **08:15-09:00: Registration and Refreshments**

## **09:00-09:10: Welcome**

**Lynn Robinson**, Director General, International Institute of Communications

## **09:10-09:30: Regulatory wish-list to enable a flourishing audio-visual market**

**Prof. Dr Madeleine de Cock Buning**, Vice President Public Policy EMEA, Netflix

## **09:30-10:45: European Media Freedom Act - what's not to like?**

Media pluralism and freedom of expression in the EU digital strategy; fighting disinformation and fake news; EMFA and its consistency/coherence/compliance with other pieces of media regulation (AVMS, Copyright, DSA and DMA); social and editorial responsibility and the role of broadcasters and platforms

Moderator

**Dr Augusto Preta**, President, IIC Italian Chapter; CEO, ITMedia Consulting

Panellists

**Oreste Pollicino**, Professor of Constitutional Law and Internet Law, Bocconi University Bocconi

**Professor Elisa Giomi**, Commissioner, Autorità per le Garanzie nelle Comunicazioni (AGCOM)

**Dr Tobias Schmid**, Director, Media Authority of North Rhine-Westphalia; Commissioner for European Affairs of the German Media Authorities

**Maciej Styczeń**, Policy Officer, DG CNECT, European Commission

## **10:45-11:15: Networking Break**

## **11:15-11:45: Keynote - regulating the information space**

**Renate Nikolay**, Deputy Director General, DG CNECT, European Commission

## **11:45-13:00: The Data Act: data governance policy and regulation - what will 2023 bring? Becoming the best of FRANDs...**

Moderator

**Francine Cunningham**, Regulatory and Public Affairs Director, Bird & Bird

Panellists

**Chris Gow**, Senior Director, EU Public Policy, Government Affairs, Cisco

**Björn Juretzki**, Head of Unit Data Policy and Innovation, DG CNECT, European Commission

**Johannes Jaenicke**, Policy Advisor for the ITRE and BUDG Committees, European Parliament, BELGIUM

**Nane Engelhart**, Senior Legal Counsel Data and IP, EVBox

## **13:00-13:45: Networking Lunch**

## **13:45-15:00: Implementing online safety regimes - regulators' preparations, and industry responses**

Moderator

**Matthew Kirk**, International Affairs Adviser, Squire Patton Boggs

Panellists

**Niamh Hodnett**, Online Safety Commissioner, Broadcasting Authority of Ireland (BAI)

**Richard Wronka**, Director of Online Safety Supervision, Ofcom, UK

**Marisa Jiménez Martín**, Director Public Policy and Deputy Head of EU Affairs, Meta

## **15:00-15:45: Responsible AI - how does generative AI change the conversation?**

Moderator

**Rosa Barcello**, Partner, McDermott Will & Emery; Chair, IIC Brussels Chapter

Panellists

**William Carter**, Global Policy Lead, Responsible AI, AI Governance and Regulation, Google

**Dr Thomas Jørgensen**, Director of Policy Coordination and Foresight, European University Association

## **15:45: Close of TMF**

**Lynn Robinson**, Director General, International Institute of Communications