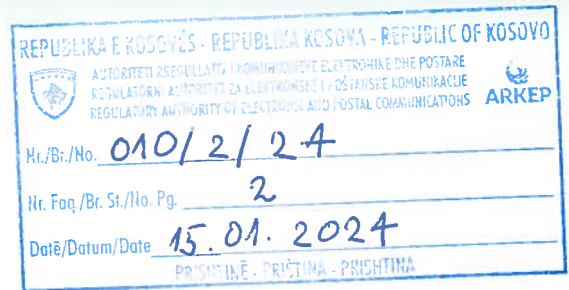




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REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF ELECTRONIC AND POSTAL COMMUNICATIONS



January 15, 2024

Electronic Communications Committee, ECC
Nyropsgade 37-4
1602 Copenhagen
Denmark

To: Mr. Chris Woolford, Chairman of the ECC
Cc: Members of the Board, ARKEP
From: Nazim Rahimi, Chairman of the Board, ARKEP
Subject: Formal Expression of Interest on presenting our interest for participation in the Working Groups at CEPT/ECC

Honorable Mr. Woolford,

On behalf of the Regulatory Authority of Electronic and Postal Communications of Kosovo (ARKEP), I have the honor and privilege through this correspondence to present our request and expression of interest in support of participation of our experts in the relevant Working Groups of the CEPT.

As you may be already aware since 2014 following the standard procedures of CEPT/ECC and acceptance of formal invitation by the Chairman of FM22 we have had the opportunity to attend as the observer the works of FM22 WG, whereas per formal documents our participation and contribution was acknowledged and regarded by the organizer and the participating members of the FM22.

In addition, starting from January 2019 ARKEP is participating in all BEREC (Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications) meetings (Plenaries, Contact Networks, and technical Working Groups) with equal rights and responsibilities with other regional countries¹.

Now in light of the principles and core values presented and promoted by CEPT and our status as the professional and independent regulatory body in Kosovo, responsible for regulation the electronic communications market in the territory of Kosovo, including the scarce resources (numbering and frequencies), we are kindly asking from your Authority to allow us to participate in the technical WG for Numbering and Frequencies, at least as observers.

This would be a great support and help for our Authority and of course would open the perspective to exercise our mission specified in our Regulatory Framework and that will ultimately contribute and

¹ [https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32019D0327\(05\)&from=EN](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32019D0327(05)&from=EN)

benefit our society, both socially and technically, as participation in these international WG is crucial of importance for our Authority.

For your information, the ARKEP is the sole administrator of scarce resources and responsible body for communication with International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in line with Telecommunication agreement facilitated by European Union. Furthermore, according to the recent agreement reached between Kosovo and Serbia in February 27, 2023 article 4 specifies²:

“The Parties proceed on the assumption that neither of the two can represent the other in the international sphere nor act on its behalf. Serbia will not object to Kosovo’s membership in any international organization.”

By taking advantage of this correspondence, we want to reemphasize that the mission of our state authorities, is to raise the wellbeing of Kosovan citizens and to ensure a clear perspective on the utilization of electronic communication networks and services through adoption of the appropriate Regulatory Framework, always based on international telecommunications standards with a focus on European Regulatory Framework.

Based on the mission of our Authorities and in reference to main principles and basic instruments of the CEPT is to strengthen the cooperation and propose common policies and regulations in electronic communications and related applications for Europe, by means of international cooperation and better understanding among people, we kindly asking from Your Excellency to take into consideration and approve our request for participation in the following WG:

- Numbering and Networks WG (WG NaN);
- Frequency Management Working Group (WG FM);
- Spectrum Engineering Working Group (WG SE); and
- IMT Matters – ECC PT1.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

We look forward to your positive reply.

Yours sincerely,

Nazim Rahimi

Chairman of the Board, ARKEP

² https://www.eeas.europa.eu/eeas/belgrade-pristina-dialogue-eu-proposal-agreement-path-normalisation-between-kosovo-and-serbia_en