

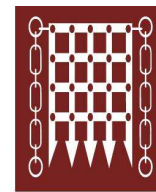
Westminster eForum Keynote Seminar:

UK spectrum policy: allocation, capacity and the development of 5G

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 14th April 2016

Venue: Glaziers Hall, 9 Montague Close, London SE1 9DD

Agenda subject to change



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Roger Darlington, Chair, Consumer Forum for Communications (CFC)
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Analysing the spectrum landscape**
Graham Louth, Partner, Aetha Consulting
- 9.15 - 9.25 **Key trends in spectrum management**
Professor William Webb, Chief Executive Officer, Weightless SIG
- 9.25 - 9.35 **'Emerging markets: 5G and Wi-fi'**
Pasquale Cataldi, Researcher, Nominet UK
- 9.35 - 9.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.50 - 10.40 **Next steps for spectrum sharing: innovation and management**
How likely is the auction of the 2.3GHz - 3.2GHz bands to address demands from the mobile sector to improve 4G services and how might the result impact other users? How is the market valuing this spectrum and how might the outcome affect Government strategy going forward? Following WRC-15 what might be the priorities for developing a framework for 5G services, and how should this factor in issues for users on related bandwidths, for instance satellite, military organisations and other mobile users? How is innovation in whitespace and other technologies developing; what are the likely benefits, where will they most be felt, and what are the timescales? How far can re-allocation or spectrum sharing go towards satisfying future demand? What have been the effects of recent commercial deals, which have seen spectrum bands sold, shared or sub-let, and what is the future for this market?
Tony Lavender, Partner and Chief Executive Officer, Plum Consulting
Dr Mike Short, Vice President and Head of Research and Development, Telefónica Europe
Simon Mason, Director of Radio Frequency Technology, Arqiva
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 - 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**
Roger Darlington, Chair, Consumer Forum for Communications (CFC)
- 10.45 - 11.10 Coffee
- 11.10 - 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**
Graham Louth, Partner, Aetha Consulting
- 11.15 - 12.10 **Key perspectives: allocation, sharing and demand**
With this discussion taking place following WRC-15 what is the significance of the outcomes; how well have competing priorities in different global regions been addressed, and what might be the consequences for the UK? Has enough been done to counter the spectrum crunch and ensure essential services are protected? With increasing demand for spectrum allocation, how can regulators and policymakers deal with long standing frictions between key spectrum users in a way that protects key services whilst allowing for increased demand in certain areas? In the UK, what scope is there for further re-allocation from the public sector to private companies following the MOD release, what is the likely usage, and how should any public benefit be assessed and factored in?
Inge Hansen, Head of Spectrum, EE
Simon Fletcher, Chief Technology Officer, Real Wireless
Richard Lindsay-Davies, Chief Executive, DTG
Alan March, Senior Manager, Spectrum Affairs and System Design, Sennheiser
Anthony Baker, Spectrum Development, O3b Networks
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.10 - 12.55 **Next steps for policy development and regulation**
Nick Munn, Head of Spectrum Policy, Department for Culture, Media and Sport
Philip Marnick, Group Director, Spectrum Policy Group, Ofcom
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster eForum closing remarks**
Graham Louth, Partner, Aetha Consulting
Daniel Patefield, Forum Lead, Westminster eForum