



## **ECC 224 Report: “the long term usage of the band 470-694 MHz is mainly foreseen for downstream audiovisual content distribution”**

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The ECC 224 report is CEPT’s contribution to the long term vision for the UHF band and is the result of the discussions held about the TG6 WG framework band.

It addresses the trends in the evolution of services and consumer behaviour, as well as the networks and technologies that offer the potential to deliver these services in the band 470-694 MHz.

The report concludes: “the consideration of non-binding elements, may assist administrations within the context of the national legal and regulatory framework, when deciding on a particular scenario for the usage of the band 470-694 MHz:

- the current national general interest objectives;
- the implications of a given scenario on the audiovisual industry, content creation and user expectations;
- monitoring of the market and technological developments, including by means of the key indicators;
- a cost/benefit analysis with a focus on the impact on consumers;
- assessment criteria such as but not limited to those that were used in the assessment of the scenarios listed in the report;
- a realistic time frame for the transition towards a new scenario, taking into account duration of the existing rights of use and the spectrum needs during the transition period as well as the need for continuation of the service (in the context of the report);
- the coexistence feasibility between different classes and the necessity for cross-border frequency coordination;”

BNE participated actively in discussions leading to the production of the report and agrees with its main conclusions.