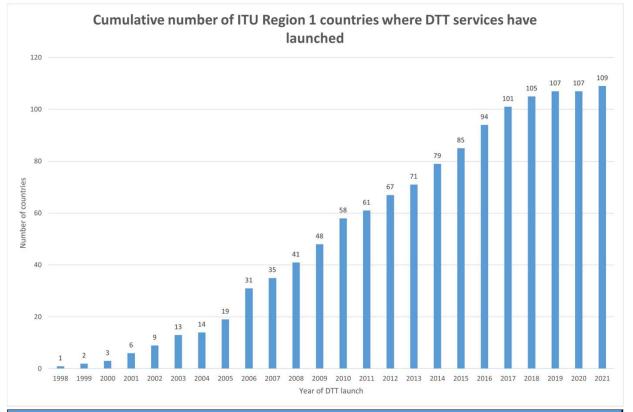


'No change' to the UHF band at WRC-23 enables the ongoing success of essential broadcasting services

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The current allocation of the 470-694 MHz band fosters valuable services including public service broadcasting and PMSE, across the EU and rest of Region 1



Summary of DTT launches (ITU Region 1)							
			Cumulative	% of cumulative			
	No. of countries	% of countries	population (M)	population			
Regional total	122		2472,8				
Countries having started DTT*	109	89%	2392,5	96,8%			
Countries that have no DTT	13	11%	80,3	3,2%			

- DTT is a Worldwide, Region 1 and European success
- Broadcasting is innovating to maintain its long-term attractivity
- Broadcasting shares spectrum efficiently with PMSE



Source: DVB+EBU+BNE DPM data base, May 2022

A change to co-primary status of the 470-694 MHz band in Region 1 would hurt the existing services and the delivery of essential public policy objectives

- Intent of European law is to establish a stable European framework on the use of the UHF Band
- Existential threat to the remaining spectrum available to deliver terrestrial broadcasting services and shared with PMSE
- Threat to the European Audio-Visual Industry, European public service broadcasting and Cultural sector
- Contradictory with the objectives of fighting the climate change





The benefits of a change to co-primary status of the 470-694 MHz band in Region 1 are not demonstrated

- Region-wide benefits of allocating more spectrum to mobile services: not demonstrated
- Necessity of regional co-primary in response to possible national needs: not demonstrated
- Proportionality of a change to coprimary in view of the potential consequences: not demonstrated





Conclusion

Maximising the public value of the UHF band means ensuring the continued delivery of broadcasting services in Europe and the rest of Region 1.

We therefore support a position of 'No Change' to the Radio Regulations under WRC-23 agenda item 1.5.



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