

To whom it may concern

Athens, 16 August 2023

Subject: Invitation to participate in the BEREC IP-IC questionnaire

Dear Madam/Sir,

BEREC is preparing a “Report on the IP interconnection ecosystem” (see BEREC Work Programme 2023, section 2.8.). This report will be an update of the “BEREC Report on IP-interconnection practices in the context of Net Neutrality” (BoR (2017) 184). BEREC will analyse the current trends and developments in the market since 2017, such as the relationships between different parties, utilisation of paid peering and content delivery networks (CDNs). The report will cover the period from early 2017 to autumn 2023. The report will also encompass a prospective analysis of the trends until 2030 to the extent objective data is available.

To inform this report with empirical findings, BEREC has prepared a quantitative questionnaire (complemented with a few qualitative questions on IP interconnection). The questionnaire is distributed by national regulatory authorities (NRAs) on behalf of BEREC to market players in their respective countries.

This questionnaire is an information request pursuant to article 20 of the European Electronic Communications Code¹. Input provided to the questionnaire will be transmitted to BEREC and may be consulted by other NRAs participating in the BEREC OI WG on a need-to-know-basis, in particular, for the purpose of drafting BEREC reports. BEREC and the respective NRAs accessing data on behalf of BEREC or accessing data of respective national market players maintain confidentiality of the information provided and will treat the information as business secrets. Processing and analysis of the data for the purpose of drafting BEREC reports will be done by BEREC. A public version of the report shall be published on the BEREC website and may cover statistical and aggregated information that is potentially derived from responses to this questionnaire. It must not be possible to draw any conclusions about individual companies with any publication based on the collected data.

The data collection covers the period from **15 September to 14 October 2023**. We would be grateful to receive your response to the EU Survey online questionnaire: <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/ip-ic-questionnaire2023> by **31 October 2023**. Please note that an extension of this deadline is not possible.

¹ [Directive \(EU\) 2018/1972 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 establishing the European Electronic Communications Code \(Recast\)](#)

In case you have questions of understanding regarding the questionnaire you can address these to your NRA.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely,

(e-signed)

Konstantinos Masselos
BEREC Chair 2023