



REG-100 - Telecom Regulation for Today's World

Description

A 10-day training course which will provide participants with an all-around understanding of telecom regulation as it applies in today's world. The course includes discussion and analysis of the key issues and tools available to ensure a fair and equitable telecom environment.

Objectives

- Obtain a sound understanding of the global and competitive telecommunications environment and its impact on the activities of a regulator
- Understand the key principles of regulation including competition policy and licensing and the role and responsibilities of the regulator in these areas
- Understand the role and responsibilities of the regulator with respect to interconnection and tariffs
- Analyze the regulatory issues represented by scarce resources including numbering and spectrum management
- Assess the regulatory challenges and issues of VoIP, Local Loop Unbundling and Next Generation Networks
- Understand important dispute resolution mechanisms and the role of the regulator in settling disputes
- Gain an understanding of the tools available to deal with the regulatory challenges of today's world

Topics

*Note: the course structure may be subject to change as trainings are updated on a regular basis.

Overall picture of the global and competitive telecommunications environment

- Evolution of telecom industry structure
- Global telecom trends
- WTO regulatory standards
- Implications for regulators

Regulation

- The need to regulate
- Principles for effective regulation
- Current issues

The regulator

- Role
- Responsibilities
- Organization
- Best practices

Competition policy and safeguards

- General principles
- Fundamental concepts
- Significant Market Power (SMP)
- Methods of control

Licenses

- Types of licensing regimes
- Types of licenses
- Licensing procedures
- Licensing practices
- Fees

Interconnection

- Definition and importance
- Role and responsibilities of the regulator
- Reference Interconnection Offer (RIO)
- Interconnection agreement
- Interconnection pricing
- Interconnection Quality of Service (QoS)
- Interconnection best practices

Cost and cost modelling

- Why is costing important
- Is costing complicated
- Cost causation
- Cost categories
- What information is needed
- Practical implementation of LRIC
- A reasonable model

Price regulation

- Why regulate pricing
- Rate of Return regulation
- Price cap regulation
- Rate rebalancing
- International price comparisons
- International long distance prices

Managing scarce resources

- Spectrum management
- Number planning
- Right of way

Local Loop Unbundling (LLU)

- Implementation of LLU
- Challenges & issues

Universal service and universal access

- Role of the regulator
- Universal Service Obligations (USO)
- Net cost
- Benefits
- Funding

Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP)

- VoIP fundamentals
- Regulation of VoIP services

NGN policy and regulation

- Overview
- Change drivers
- Convergence
- NGN regulation
- NGN consultation process
- Universal service
- NGN pricing and access

Protecting consumers

Dispute resolution

- Role of the regulator
- Dispute resolution mechanisms

Target Audience

- Telecommunications managers and personnel involved in telecom regulation and policy-making
- Managers looking to complement their skill-set by gaining a good understanding of telecommunications regulation

Methodology

Our training courses combine expert presentations, workshops, case studies and discussions on real-life situations faced by participants. Complete training material is provided to all participants for future reference and follow-up action plans.

Location

Our public training courses are held at regular intervals in selected cities around the world. Upon request, our expert trainers can lead private training courses at the location of your choice or using a virtual classroom (distance training using a web-conferencing platform). For more information, or if interested in a private session, please contact us at training@neotelis.com.

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