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Country/ entity	Kosovo Serbia Yugoslavia (former)
Region	Europe and Eurasia Europe and Eurasia Europe and Eurasia
Agreement name	Telecoms Action Plan
Date	25 Aug 2015
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Interstate/intrastate conflict(s) (Balkan Conflicts (1991 - 1995) (1998 - 2001))
Stage	Implementation/renegotiation
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Kosovo-Serbia Normalisation Process
Parties	Agreement unsigned, working group members listed: Working groups: Kosovo Working Group on Regulator co-operation Mr Ekrem Hoxha from RAEPC (ekrem.hoxha@art-ks.org) Operators IMr Imeri (RAEPC)/ Mehdi Latifaj (PTK) Postal Services Group: Mr Sejdi Hoxha, Chief Executive Officer from Post of Kosovo (sejdi.hoxha@ptkonline.com) Working groups: Serbia Working Group on Regulator co-operation Mr Milan Jankovic from RATEL/ Operators Mr Milan Aleksijevic (Telekom Srbija) Postal Services Group: Mr Vladimir Dimitrijević (Post of Serbia) Finalized by Serbian Prime Minister Aleksandar Vucic and Kosovo Prime Minister Isa Mustafa.
Third parties	Agreement unsigned, meeting facilitated by European Union High Representative for Foreign Affairs & Security Policy Federica Mogherini

Description Action plan agreed by parties to implement the Telecommunications (Technical Dialogue Agreement) agreed on 8 September 2013, when parties agreed that Kosovo will be allocated a 3-digit dial code, and other modalities for reforming telecommunications infrastructure.

Agreement document

[KV_150825_Joint action plan telecoms.pdf](#) | [Download PDF](#)

Groups

Children/ youth No specific mention.

Disabled persons No specific mention.

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers No specific mention.

Racial/ ethnic/ national group Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Substantive Page 3, 2.7. Regulators will sign technical agreement on the harmonisation of the digital and analogue broadcasting spectrum with a view to avoid intentional interference between services and not to cover the border / boundary of the other party intentionally. Comment: Other responsible institutions should be involved. Procedures mentioned above will leave enough bandwidth for multiplex for existing broadcasting for Serbian population.

Religious groups No specific mention.

Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/
displaced
persons No specific mention.

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women,
girls and
gender No specific mention.

Men and
boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of
state
(general) No specific mention.

State
configuration No specific mention.

Self
determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols Page 8, Annex 3: denomination of Kosovo in the ITU's technical annexes
In the technical annexes to the ITU's bulletins, Kosovo will be referred to as Kosovo * with the footnote "This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence."

Independence/ secession No specific mention.

Accession/ unification No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral commission No specific mention.

Political parties reform No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/ religious leaders No specific mention.

Public administration No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media logistics
Summary: the agreement in its entirety provides for implementing an earlier agreement that Kosovo will be allocated a 3-digit dial code, and other modalities for reforming telecommunications infrastructure. Key provisions are coded here.

Page 1, 6. An implementation group will be formed, with EU facilitation as necessary, in order to draft a full Action plan for the implementation of the Agreement. Once the above arrangements have entered into force, the implementation group may discuss, at the request of either side, any other issues relating to these arrangements. The full implementation process will commence upon receipt of written acceptance of Action plan.
Comment: Any request for a possible modification to NewCo mobile infrastructure may be raised under these discussions.

Page 1, 1.0. In the context of the EU-facilitated dialogue, both sides agree that Kosovo shall be allocated a 3-digit dial code from the ITU in line with the standards and principles and timetable of the ITU, The two sides agreed that a mutually accepted modality will be found regarding this process within three months, with EU facilitation as necessary.

Page 1, 1.1. Approach to the ITU with EU facilitation as necessary.
Comment: It is agreed that Austria sends the letter to the ITU to initiate this procedure. The text of this letter is in Annex 2 to this Action Plan

Page 1, 1.2. Allocation of 3-digit dial code. Both parties agree Kosovo will have the sole responsibility for implementing this code, after Kosovo is allocated this 3-digit code by the ITU. ITU will communicate with RAEPC as the sole administrator of this code if necessary. Comment: The ITU publishes its bulletins on the 1st and the 15th of the month. The text of the ITU bulletin is in Annex 1 to this Action Plan. The denomination of Kosovo in the ITU's technical annexes is in Annex 3 to this Action Plan.

Page 2, 1.5. The aim is that the migration period relating to the dial code should end by January 2015. After this date, this dial code from the ITU will be used by all operators in Kosovo. Operators from both parties will reduce costs to local charges for citizens. Comment: Will also need to involve NewCo. (see point 3 and 4 below: only operators authorised by RAEPC will be able to operate in Kosovo).

Page 2, 1.7. Operators from both parties will reduce costs to local charges for citizens, in accordance in EU practices. Both sides will ensure that there will be no institutional, legal or procedural obstacles to do so.

Page 2, 2.0. Regulators in both sides will agree technical agreements to harmonise the use of spectrum for GSM, and television signal, including digital terrestrial broadcasting, with the aim of ensuring mutually uninterrupted provision of services based on the principles of ITU and avoiding harmful interference between services. Each Party commits not to cover the border/boundary of the other Party intentionally.

Page 3, 3.0. On fixed telephony, a full license for fixed telecommunications services will be issued to NewCo, subsidiary of a Serbian company registered in accordance with the Kosovan regulatory framework.
Comment: The aim is to facilitate the migration of fixed telephony

Mobility/ access	No specific mention.
Protection measures	No specific mention.
Other	No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI	No specific mention.
Regional or international human rights institutions	No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law	No specific mention.
State of emergency provisions	No specific mention.
Judiciary and courts	No specific mention.
Prisons and detention	No specific mention.
Traditional Laws	No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction No specific mention.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business Page 3, 4.0. On mobile telephony, the Kosovo authorities will permit the new company a temporary authorisation, under Kosovo regulatory framework, for current operations, limited to the current infrastructure on the ground. This temporary authorisation will not expire before January 2015. The temporary authorisation will expire once the Kosovo authorities issue a new full, unrestricted, mobile telephone license as a result of a tender / auction. The tender will be organised in line with EU Standards. Comment: The current fixed active telecommunications infrastructure of NewCo should be regularly maintained until the license is granted in 4.2.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/ rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/ nomadism rights No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire No specific mention.

Police No specific mention.

Armed forces No specific mention.

DDR No specific mention.

Intelligence services No specific mention.

Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces No specific mention.

Withdrawal of foreign forces No specific mention.

Corruption No specific mention.

Crime/
organised
crime No specific mention.

Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional
justice
general No specific mention.

Amnesty/
pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner
release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing
persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

Implementation

UN
signatory No specific mention.

Other
international
signatory No specific mention.

Referendum
for
agreement No specific mention.

International
mission/
force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement
mechanism No specific mention.

Related
cases No specific mention.

Source Government of the Republic of Serbia, Negotiation process with Pristina
<http://www.kim.gov.rs/eng/pregovaracki-proces.php>
