Press release

## **5G**

## Arcep launches a public consultation on the allocation of 5G frequencies in Reunion and Mayotte

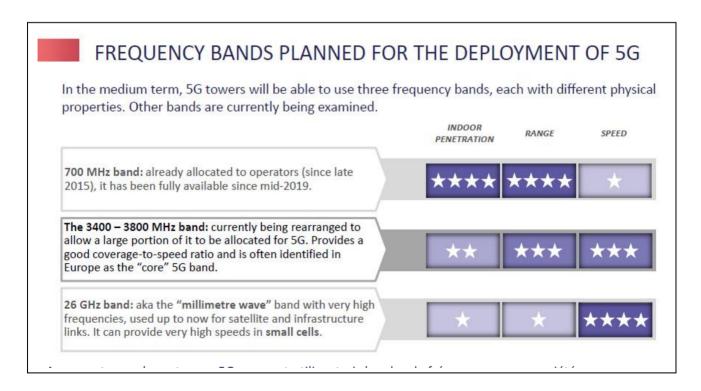
Paris, 19 December 2019

On 19 December 2019, Arcep launched a public consultation with a view to preparing the procedures for awarding licences to use frequencies in the 700 MHz band in Reunion and Mayotte, and in the 3.4 - 3.8 GHz band in Reunion, both of which will be carried out in 2020.

This consultation is part of a major evolution for mobile networks, resulting from the introduction of 5G whose deployment must help businesses to be more competitive, unleash innovation and satisfy users' expectations of having access to increasingly powerful mobile services. To this end, the 700 MHz and 3.4 – 3.8 GHz bands have been identified in Europe as being among the "pioneer" frequencies for launching 5G networks.

Stakeholders are invited to send their contributions to Arcep before 28 February 2020.

Other consultations will be held in 2020 to prepare for licences to use these bands to be awarded in Guadeloupe, Guiana, Martinique Saint-Barthélemy, Saint-Martin and in Saint-Pierre-et-Miguelon.



## **Associated document:**

- The public consultation

## Arcep at a glance

The Regulatory Authority for Electronic Communications, Postal Affairs and Print Media Distribution (Arcep), a neutral and expert arbitrator with the status of independent administrative authority (IAA), is the architect and guardian of internet, fixed and mobile telecoms and postal networks in France