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Frequency assignments in the 2.1 GHz band in Guadeloupe and in Martinique: results of the third positioning auction

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The applications submitted by the candidates for the third positioning auction for the assignment of the 2.1 GHz band in Guadeloupe and in Martinique were opened on **6 February 2025**.

As a reminder: the examination of the applications made it possible to determine the quantify of spectrum in the 2.1 GHz band obtained by each of the winning candidates in Guadeloupe and in Martinique, provided this frequency assignment procedure is brought to completion.

The purpose of the positioning auctions in the procedure for the assignment of 2.1 GHz band spectrum is to determine the sequencing of the blocks of frequency obtained by each winning candidate. The first positioning auction was held on 14 January 2025 and served to determine the position of a first 5 MHz duplex block. The firm Orange obtained position No. 2 in each of the territories of Guadeloupe and Martinique, each for the sum of 500,666 euros.

The second positioning auction was held on 28 January 2025 and served to determine the position of a second 5 MHz duplex block. In both of the territories of Guadeloupe and Martinique the firm Orange obtained position No. 1 for the sum of 250,666 euros.

The third positioning auction concerned the position of one 5 MHz duplex block among the available positions in the 2.1 GHz band. These positions were as follows prior to the auction, in each of the territories of Guadeloupe and Martinique:

Position number	Upstream	Downstream
6	1945 – 1950 MHz	2135 – 2140 MHz
10	1965 – 1970 MHz	2155 – 2160 MHz

Because all of the participants had indicated different positions for their frequency block that remained to be positioned in the 2.1 GHz band in Guadeloupe and in Martinique at the outcome of the second positioning auction, the third positioning auction did not take place, in accordance with the assignment rules stipulated by the procedure.

The final results for the positioning of the frequency blocks obtained in the 2.1 GHz band in Guadeloupe are as follows:

Candidate	Digicel AFG	Orange	Outremer Telecom		
2.1 GHz band in Guadeloupe					
Positions obtained at the outcome of the positioning auction	Position No. 10	Position No. 1 and Position No. 2	Position No. 6		
Amount to be paid at the outcome of the positioning auction	€0	€751,332	€0		

The final results for the positioning of the frequency blocks obtained in the 2.1 GHz band in Martinique are as follows:

Candidate	Digicel AFG	Orange	Outremer Telecom		
2.1 GHz band in Martinique					
Positions obtained at the outcome of the positioning auction	Position No. 10	Position No. 1 and Position No. 2	Position No. 6		
Amount to be paid at the outcome of the positioning auction	€0	€751,332	€0		

The next stage of the procedure will determine the final arrangement of the 2.1 GHz band in Guadeloupe and in Martinique as of 1 May 2025.

Associated document:

- Page dedicated to the procedure

Arcep at a glance

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