

2025 HIGHLIGHTS

3 MARCH

DIGITAL AFFAIRS

BEREC submits its third Opinion to the European Commission on the reference offers to facilitate the interoperability of WhatsApp and Facebook Messenger. Two providers became interoperable with WhatsApp: BirdyChat and Haiket.

12 MARCH

ENVIRONMENT

The World Bank and ITU (International Telecommunication Union) publish a report entitled, “*Measuring the Environmental Impact of the ICT Sector—Arcep case study*” devoted entirely to Arcep’s groundbreaking work. With its annual “Achieving digital sustainability” survey, Arcep is the “*first and only sectoral regulator today that publishes indicators on the data collected from ICT industry players to assess and track their environmental impact*”. The 4th edition of this survey, which now includes mobile network equipment suppliers, is published a few weeks later, on 17 April 2025.

15 APRIL

DATA INTERMEDIATION SERVICES

Under the terms of the Data Governance Act, service providers established in France can apply to Arcep to obtain the “EU recognised data intermediary” label. In 2025, Arcep awarded the label to the firms *M-iTrust* and *Hub One DataTrust*.

7 MAY

NET NEUTRALITY

The BEREC workshop on network slicing and net neutrality gave European NRAs an opportunity to discuss the regulatory issues surrounding these technologies and, more broadly, the current framework governing “specialised services”. The aim was to answer questions raised by stakeholders (operators, service providers, and equipment suppliers) in the context of 5G Stand Alone (SA) deployment and the increased possibility of tiered/bespoke services on mobile networks.

17 JULY

QUALITY OF SERVICE

The Authority launched a public consultation to assess the “Access ID card” API, and the Code of conduct for internet speed test tools.

4 JULY

INTERCONNECTION

The Barometer of Data Interconnection provides the latest figures on IP interconnection: in the second half of 2024, inbound traffic stood at 50.8 Tbit/s, up 9.2% YoY. Five tech companies—Netflix, Akamai, Google, Meta and Amazon—generated close to 47% of all traffic to end users.

19 MAY



ECODESIGN

One year after the publication of the General Policy Framework for the Ecodesign of Digital Services (RGESN), the Digital Ecodesign Stakeholders Forum for multi-stakeholder discussions about the Policy Framework and ecodesign issues, met for the first time at the Arcep offices.

24 SEPTEMBER

DIGITAL AFFAIRS

Arcep responds to the [European Commission consultation](#) on the first review of the DMA, on the matters of cloud computing, AI, instant messaging, and monitoring regulatory intervention. The Commission’s recent actions align with several of the proposals made by Arcep.



2026

2 OCTOBER



CLOUD REGULATION

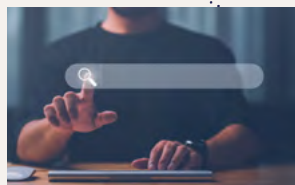
Pursuant to the Law on Securing and Regulating Cyberspace (SREN Act), Arcep adopts a recommendation to facilitate cloud service provider switching for enterprise customers, to ensure transparency on portability and interoperability, and to make APIs more stable.

NOVEMBER

IPv6

November 2025: Of the 100 countries in the world with the largest number of internet users, [France rose to number one spot in November 2025](#) in terms of IPv6 use, with a combined consumer and enterprise readiness rate estimated at 75.6% in March 2026, ahead of India (75.1% IPv6) and Germany (65.4% IPv6). According to operator forecasts, virtually every consumer market customer will have IPv6 connectivity by the end of 2028.

DECEMBER



NET NEUTRALITY

BEREC issues a request for comments on the net neutrality issues raised by the development of network slicing technologies. It supports the work done on a BEREC deliverable providing clarifications on the application of the Open Internet Regulation framework.

JANUARY

NET NEUTRALITY

To mark 10 years of the Open Internet Regulation, Arcep co-hosted the “*Open internet turns 10: What’s next?*” event at the European Parliament. A panel discussion is held between regulators, representatives of the sector, civil society and researchers, to take stock of its implementation thus far, and discuss the challenges that lie ahead.

14 JANUARY

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

After several months of interviews, research and technical tests in collaboration with PEReN, Arcep publishes its report: “*Generative AI: challenges to the future of the open internet*”. It underscores how generative AI tools are becoming gateways to the internet, altering the conditions for accessing and sharing online content and services.

21 JANUARY

EUROPE

The European Commission presents the draft of the Digital Networks Act (DNA), which is intended to overhaul the regulatory framework governing networks, interconnection and relations between operators and Big Tech companies.

27 JANUARY

IPv6

IDATE, Arcep and IPv6 Forum host a workshop at the Arcep offices dedicated to the development and progress of IPv6 in France. The goal is not to have IPv4 and IPv6 coexist indefinitely. Preparations need to be made for the gradual shut-down of IPv4 in the medium term, to have websites and applications running only in IPv6.

MAY

ENVIRONMENT

Arcep presents its report on “*Generative AI: environmental issues and challenges*”. This report is a synthesis of current understanding of the environmental impact of generative AI, creating the ability to deliver initial assessments and strategic objectives. Among the report’s findings: the lack of transparency from AI service designers and providers on the environmental impact of their models during the inference phase is poised to become a major issue, as the generative AI boom continues.