

NGN POLICY AND REGULATORY ISSUES

REGULATION FOR NEXT GENERATION NETWORKS.

The introduction of next generation networks requires huge investments and for this main reason the operators need a reasonable level of regulatory certainty. Furthermore, an adequate return on investment is strictly related to the success of new converging services.

the wholesale obligations keeping, if needed, the access to the ducts and poles of A successful regulatory strategy, adopted by the regulators and supported also by the incumbent operators, can be structured in two phases: a transition period, where the safeguard of the current wholesale offers to the new entrants is complemented by the opening of some infrastructure bottlenecks; a second phase, with the gradual removal of the incumbent's network.

The presentation will describe some details of the regulatory model, including interconnection, and include relevant cases and examples from the European experience: