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**Draft minutes of the 13th meeting of the TCAM WG (Brussels)
16th April 2018 10:30-17:30**

Participants

European Commission:

[Redacted] (Chair, DG GROW), [Redacted] (DG GROW),
[Redacted] (DG GROW), [Redacted] (DG GROW),
[Redacted] (DG CNECT), [Redacted] (DG GROW), [Redacted]
[Redacted] (DG GROW), [Redacted] (GROW).

Represented Organisations:

See List of Participants (CIRCABC)

Introduction

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming the participants and announcing the programme of the day.

1 Administrative Issues

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2	Implementation and enforcement of the RED 2014/53/EU
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2.2 Update on Article 3(3)

Article 3(3)(a)

The Commission Services reported that intensive discussions took place in the past years to reach a suitable voluntary agreement of the industry to replace the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). As of 20th March 2018, DigitalEurope published the new MoU on [their website](#). However, the Commission Services reported also that this MoU was not deemed to respond to the policy objectives of the Commission and the political request of the European Parliament and Council in Article 3(3)(a) of the RED. As a result, the Commission Services asked the MS and the other relevant stakeholders to report their assessment of the MoU and announced that the regulatory option on this topic would be considered. The Commission Services also asked to provide an input on the scope and the content of a possible regulatory option, envisaged technical solutions and/or performance requirements and policy priorities.

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The Commission Services finally announced that a new study will be commissioned to assess all possible options, also in terms of cost/benefit analysis.

MWF asked a clarification on the equipment in the scope of this prospective piece of legislation, recalling that the European Parliament asked in a recent meeting to include a broad range of electronic equipment. The Commission Services clarified that this was still subject to discussions and assessments. France asked for an early distribution of the documents, if an opinion has to be provided. The Commission Services clarified that no opinion or assessment were asked for this meeting, but for the prospective one. Applia asked how the WEEE would be impacted by this initiative. The Commission Services replied that the initiative on common chargers aims at reducing eWaste by reducing the number of incompatible chargers that could be thrown away although perfectly functioning. Under this perspective, there is no incompatibility with the WEEE.

! Action point: MS and other relevant stakeholders should report to the Commission their assessment on (i) the published MoU on the common charger and (ii) the scope and the content of a possible regulatory option, envisaged technical solutions and/or performance requirements and policy priorities.



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Summary of Action Points

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