

PRESS RELEASE

President of the Council of the Agency for Electronic Communications and Postal Services (EKIP), Dr Milan Radulović, participated in the ITU Regional Development Forum for Europe 2026 (RDF-EUR-26), held on 24 March 2026 in Prague and organised by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

The Forum gathered decision-makers, regulators, industry representatives and international organisations from across Europe, with a view to exchanging views on the development of digital connectivity, gaining insight into key trends and challenges, and identifying regional priorities for the four-year period 2026-2029. Special focus was placed on strengthening the availability and quality of electronic communications networks, developing regulatory frameworks that provide incentives for investment, and building more resilient digital infrastructure.



Within the session dedicated to the implementation of the outcomes of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-25) and to defining regional activities aimed at delivering tangible results, the participants were addressed by Dr Milan Radulović, President of the Council of EKIP. During his speech, he highlighted the importance of aligning global goals and initiatives with regional and national priorities, with a particular focus on the need for further development of resilient, secure and

sustainable digital infrastructure, along with the continuous improvement of the regulatory framework, with a view to promoting innovation and investment. He also underlined the importance of regional cooperation and the exchange of experiences among regulators as key factors for the efficient implementation of digital transformation.

During the Forum, the Regional Road Map for the implementation of the ITU regional initiatives for Europe for the period 2026-2029 was also presented. It is based on contributions from Member States and relevant stakeholders from both the public and private sectors. This document provides the basis for the implementation of tangible projects and activities in the field of digital development, through technical assistance, knowledge exchange, capacity building and partnership development.

Within the EUR1 regional initiative on Digital Infrastructure Development, the conference organised by the ITU and EKIP was recognised as an important platform for regulatory dialog in the region. This initiative aims to improve broadband connectivity, support the development of advanced networks, and promote regulatory policies that contribute to the creation of a secure and competitive electronic communications market.

Through the EUR2 initiative on Digital Transformation for Resilience, particular emphasis was placed on the development of digital solutions aimed at strengthening societal resilience to crisis and

emergency situations. In that context, particular importance was attached to the implementation of early warning and public information systems, including Cell Broadcast technology as a reliable and efficient mechanism for the timely dissemination of information.

After the session, Dr Cosmas Luckyson Zavazava, Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT), formally presented Dr Milan Radulovic, President of the Council of EKIP, with the Feasibility Study on the rollout of an Early Warning System based on Cell Broadcast technology and other communication channels, prepared by the ITU for the needs of Montenegro.

The participation of EKIP in RDF-EUR-26 confirms the active role of Montenegro in regional and international initiatives in the field of electronic communications, as well as its commitment to the further development of the digital society through the application of best international practices, the strengthening of institutional capacities, and the improvement of the regulatory framework. The significance of the Forum is reflected in the conclusions that will guide ITU activities in the region for the period 2026-2029, as well as in the preparation of the Regional Road Map for the implementation of the ITU Regional initiatives for Europe. This represents a key framework for the implementation of projects and the future development of digital connectivity. EKIP remains fully committed to continued cooperation with the ITU and other relevant partners, with a view to the efficient implementation of these initiatives and the further strengthening of regional and international cooperation.

Furthermore, Dr Milan Radulovic, as co-chair of the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC), participated in the meeting of the Committee for ITU Policy - Com-ITU of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT), held on 25 March 2026 in Prague. On that occasion, he addressed the participants on behalf of BEREC and emphasised the importance of cooperation between BEREC and the ITU in aligning global goals and initiatives, as well as the need for its further strengthening in order to achieve and maintain a sustainable ecosystem of electronic communications and digital infrastructure.

He also highlighted the importance of the continuous improvement of the regulatory framework aimed at fostering innovation and investment, as well as of the role of knowledge and experience exchange as a key factor for the efficient implementation of the digital transformation of society.