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European Commission Vice-President for the Digital Agenda, Neelie Kroes will urge the EU's Council of Telecoms Ministers in Brussels on 3rd December (starting at 15.00) to boost Internet access in Europe by agreeing to the Commission's September proposal to make spectrum available for wireless broadband by 2013. Wireless broadband is essential to meet the commitments made in the Digital Agenda for Europe to give every European access to basic broadband by 2013 and fast and ultra-fast broadband by 2020. Vice-President Kroes will also brief Ministers on a forthcoming public consultation on the Roaming Regulation and encourage the rapid adoption of the Commission's proposal to expand and modernise the European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA). In addition she will underline the importance of implementing the Broadband Strategy presented by the Commission in September and urge Member States to support the first European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing.

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