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This one-day seminar, addressed to national judges, is divided into two sessions:

The first focuses on the national judiciary's role in achieving a true single market in electronic communications, in particular, on day-to-day issues in Member States' judicial practices. More specifically, they concern, by way of example:

- Coping with internal deadlines, length of proceedings and the nature of the court;
- Interim measures and retroactive effect of remedies;
- The assessment of the merits and the appropriate expertise;
- Access and protection of confidential information by national courts;
- National judges and the EU institutions.

The second session focuses on the latest policy and case law developments at EU level, in particular:

- The state of play in the implementation of the Digital Agenda for Europe;
- The most recent case law from the Court of Justice of the EU;
- BEREC and its contribution to consistent application of telecoms rules across Europe.

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09:00 Arrival and registration of participants

09:30 **Welcome words (ERA and European Commission)**

I. IMPLEMENTING THE REVISED REGULATORY FRAMEWORK IN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS: THE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL JUDICIARY

Moderators: Pierre Larouche and Xavier Taton

09:45–
12:45 **Panel discussions:
The appeal procedure against decisions of the national regulatory authorities**

- Internal deadlines, length of proceedings and the nature of the court
- Interim measures and retroactive effect of remedies
- Assessment of the merits and appropriate expertise

10:45–
11:15 Coffee break

- Access and protection of confidential information by national courts
- National judges and the EU institutions

Charles Dhanowa, Rosa Perna, András Kovács, Irma Telivuo, Hans Peter Lehofer

12:45 Lunch

II. ACHIEVING A TRUE SINGLE MARKET IN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS: THE ROLE OF EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS

Chair: Wolfgang Heusel

14:15 **Where are we with the Digital Agenda for Europe?**

Robert Madelin

1:45 Questions and answers

15:00 Coffee break

15:30 **Overview of the recent Court of Justice of the EU case law in the field of electronic communications**

Marko Ilešič

16:00 Questions and answers

16:15 **BEREC and its contribution to consistent application of telecoms rules across Europe**

Georg Serentschy

16:45 Questions and answers

17:00 Concluding remarks

17:15 End of conference

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