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WiFi4EU New Call Date Announced

The date of the second call of the WiFi4EU voucher initiative has been announced for 04 April 2019 at 13:00 CEST. With a call budget of EUR 51 million, the Commission will distribute 3,400 vouchers across European municipalities on a first come, first served basis.

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Apply for the European Broadband Awards 2019!

Are you involved in a project on very high-capacity networks, infrastructure or applications? Has your project been at least 65% completed? Would you like to see your project recognised at a European level? Then don't miss the chance to apply for the 2019 European Broadband Awards! Big or small, rural or urban, private or public, you might be the next winner in one of the five categories. The winners will be announced in December 2019 and showcased across Europe in European Commission and very high-capacity network events. Deadline for application is 28 June 2019.

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CEF Digital: provisional agreement for funding high-performance infrastructure to better connect Europeans

The European Commission welcomes the provisional agreement by the European Parliament and the Council on the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) proposal, as part of the next EU budget 2021-2027. The new CEF Digital will target strategic infrastructure investments, including 5G corridors along major transport paths, linking users across Europe to high performance computing centres, and gigabit connectivity for 5G-ready communities. The Commission is starting a dialogue with stakeholders to ensure that CEF Digital will support Member States' efforts in reaching the EU's 2025 Gigabit objectives.

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WiFi4EU stories: an interview with Mayor of Troyan, Bulgaria

With a brand-new EUR 15,000 WiFi4EU voucher from the European Commission in tow, the municipality of Troyan now has its eyes set on delivering high-speed connectivity, expanded network coverage, and new e-services.

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Good practice: Broadband for Mand-ø



"Broadband for Mand-ø" is one of the five winners of the European Broadband Awards 2018. The project provided a high capacity network to the inhabitants of a very small island with 110 houses, located in the UNESCO world heritage area in Denmark, Wadden Sea. The local volunteers received support for broadband network from the residents of the island. As a result, almost all houses in the island are connected to the broadband network. The tourist industry now enjoys much better conditions for servicing visitors.

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The BCO Network in 2018: Activity Report

The 2018 Activity Report of the European Broadband Competence Offices (BCOs) Network presents the year's knowledge-sharing and capacity-building programme under the objectives of: connecting, sharing knowledge and building capacity; growing at regional level; and strengthening the Network. The programme included events, publications and video interviews dedicated to increasing the capacity of European BCOs to bring broadband connectivity to all citizens. A focus of the BCO Network is supporting bridging the digital gap between urban and rural areas and reaching the Gigabit Society objectives.

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Mobile broadband prices went down in Europe in 2018

The results of the new study show that the mobile broadband prices were going down in 2018 in the EU countries.

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