# Regulatory Activities and Electronic Communications Market Developments in Republic of Croatia

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## **Telecommunications Market Overview**

#### Wireline networks:

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operators in commercial service;
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* 1 870 000
              end users;
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42 %
              penetration rate;
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**\*** 25,63% new entrants' users;

**\$** 595 930 broadband access users

#### Wireline market liberalisation

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497
           realised collocations;
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- ❖ 243 565 CPS users;
- ❖ 334 980 ported wireline numbers;
- ❖ 116 232 unbundled local-loops 6,83% of total lines in operation



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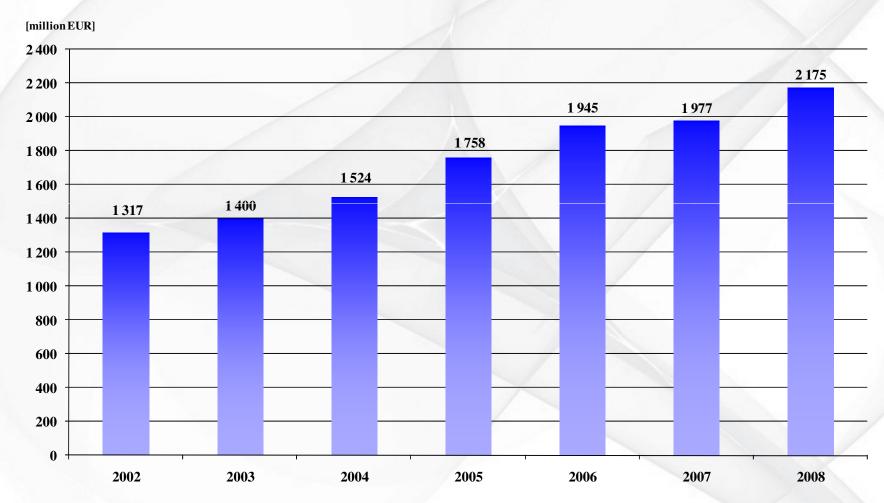
#### **Mobile Telecommunications Networks:**

- **\*** 3 operators in commercial service;
- operation in three bands under technologicaly neutral licence;
- **4** 6 106 820 end users;
- penetration rate; **\*** 138%
- **\*** 198 570 broadband access users;
- **4**,5 % broadband penetration rate;
- **\*** 98 500 ported numbers.



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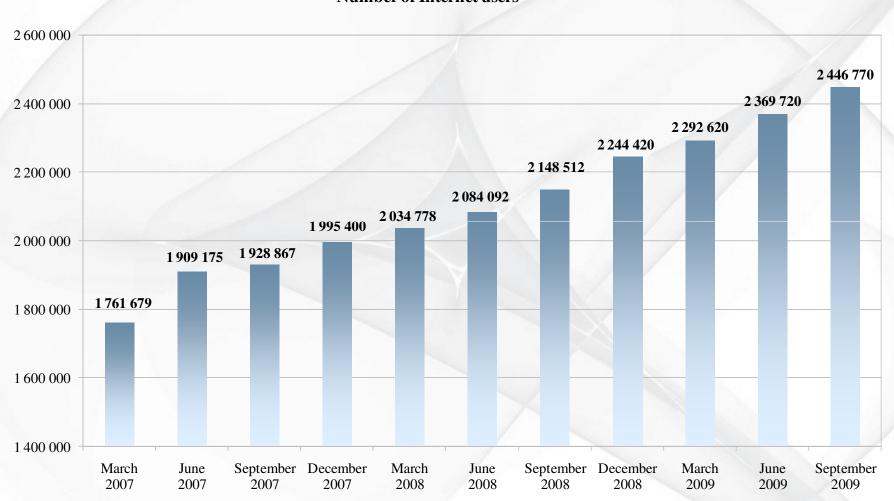
#### **Total Electonic Communications Revenue**





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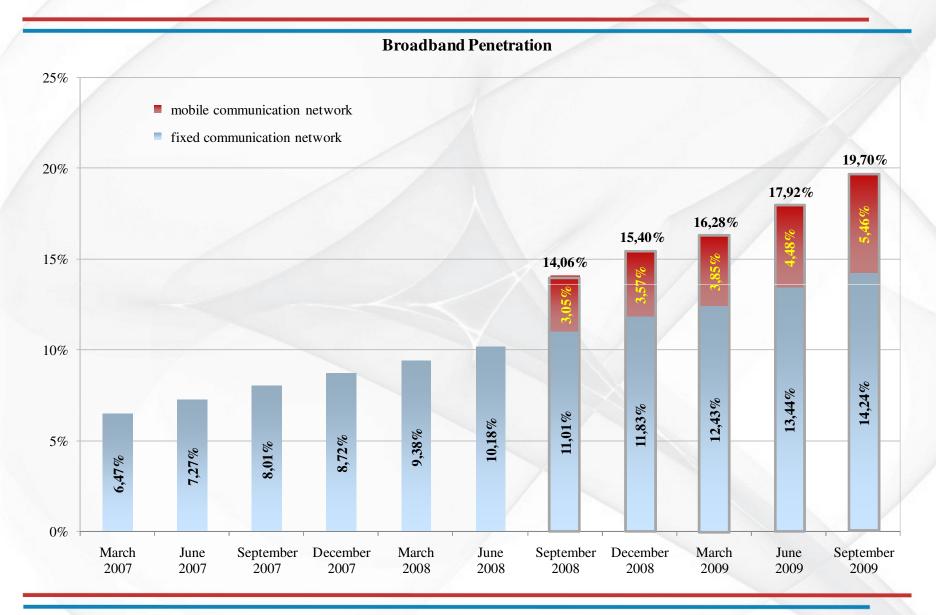
#### **Number of Internet users**



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# Our way to European union ....

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#### Our Way to European Union



- ❖ The chapter 10. Information Society and Media has been closed
- Electronic Communications Act from 1st of July, 2008
- ❖ The whole package of secondary legislation within the competence of the Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure (MMPI) and the Croatian Post and Electronic Communications Agency (HAKOM) has been adopted
- The legislative framework in electronic communications in Croatia has been fully completed – fully compliant to EU regulation
- Regulation of the electronic communications market in line with European practice



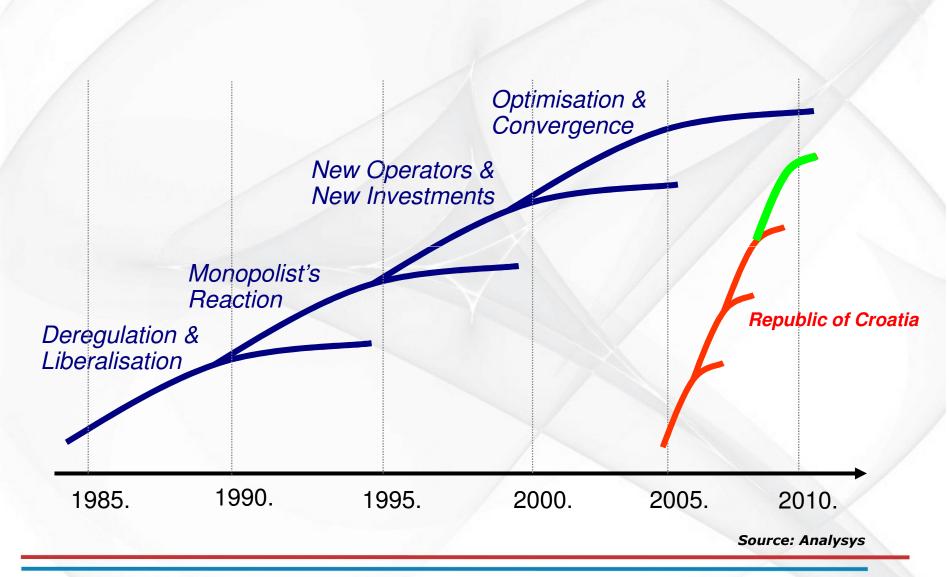
#### **Regulation of the Croatian Market**

- Relevant market analyses were completed in July this year after public consultations
- The project of regulatory accounting has been started with Croatian Telecom
- Resolution of granting a new technology neutral licenses for the mobile operators
- Digital televison switchover and digital dividend resolution is under way
- **❖** And much more...

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### **► Electronic Communications Market Evolution**



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#### **New Technology Implementation**



- Implementation of the New Generation Network (NGN) and New Generation Access (NGA)
- ❖ IP Multi-media System (IMS) is already in use
- **❖** A set of new end-user services in both wireline and wireless telecommunication newtorks
- IP TV is offered by several operators
- Quality of Service (QoS) gains on significancy
- Digital Radio and Digital Television is not anymore vision, but has become a reality



	2003 Recommendation	2007 Recommendation
<b>Call origination</b> on the public telephone network provided at a fixed location	Market 8	Market 2
<b>Call termination</b> on individual public telephone networks provided at a fixed location	Market 9	Market 3
<b>Transit services</b> in the fixed public telephone network	Market 10	ЗСТ
Wholesale (physical) network infrastructure access (including shared or fully unbundled access) at a fixed location	Market 11	Market 4
Wholesale broadband access	Market 12	Market 5
<b>Access</b> and <b>call origination</b> on public mobile telephone networks	Market 15	ЗСТ
<b>Voice call termination</b> on individual mobile networks	Market 16	Market 7
Public network mobile services	old market according to the TA  3CT	
SMS termination on individual mobile networks	service part of the old interconnection market  3CT	

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MARKET	SMP	REMEDIES	
Wholesale call origination on the public telephone network provided at a fixed location (Market No. 2)	HT (Croatian Telecom)	Access to and use of the specific network elements; Non-discrimination; Transparency; Price control and cost accounting; Accounting separation	
Wholesale call termination on individual public telephone networks provided at a fixed location (Market No. 3)	HT (Croatian Telecom); Amis Telekom; H1 Telekom; Iskon Internet; Metronet; Optima Telekom; Primatel; VIPnet; Voljatel	Access to and use of the specific network elements; Non-discrimination; Transparency; Price control and cost accounting; Accounting separation  OTHER SMP OPERATORS  Access to and use of the specific network elements; Non-discrimination; Transparency; Price control (asymmetry)	

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MARKET	SMP OPERATOR(S)	REMEDIES  Access to and use of the specific network elements; Non-discrimination; Transparency; Price control and cost accounting; Accounting separation	
Wholesale access to the network infrastructure (including shared and full access) at a fixed location (Market No. 4)	HT (Croatian Telecom)		
Wholesale broadband access (Market No. 5)	HT (Croatian Telecom)	Access to and use of the specific network elements; Non-discrimination; Transparency; Price control and cost accounting; Accounting separation	

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MARKET	SMP OPERATOR(S)	REMEDIES
Wholesale voice call termination on individual mobile networks (Market No. 7)	T-Mobile; VIPnet; Tele2	Access to and use of the specific network elements; Non-discrimination; Transparency; Price control and cost accounting  Access to and use of the specific network elements; Non-discrimination; Transparency; Price control (asymmetry)

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#### **Spectrum management**

- Frequencies licensed independently from service provision (general authorisation)
- No limitations on service provision
- ❖ Spectrum basics:
  - 1. National Frequency Allocation Table
  - 2. Allocation plans
  - 3. Frequency database



#### Spectrum licensing

- Licensing defined in FAT for each frequency band
- General license no individual license, harmonised use in Europe, list on <a href="http://www.hakom.hr/default.aspx?id=369">http://www.hakom.hr/default.aspx?id=369</a>
- 2. On request individual license PMR, amateur, microwave links, satellite...
- 3. Public tender –procedure when there is more interested parties that available spectrum
- **4. Auction** procedure when there is more interested parties that available spectrum, still hasn't been used in Croatia

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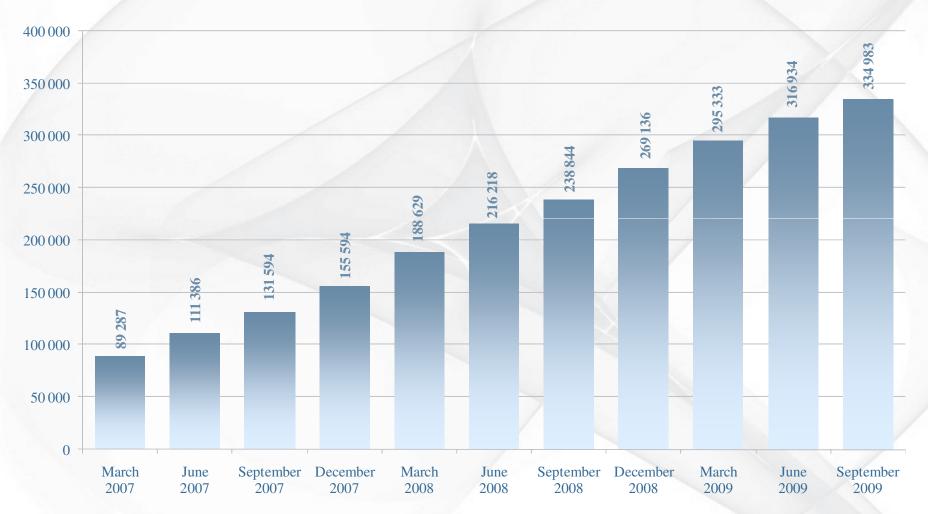
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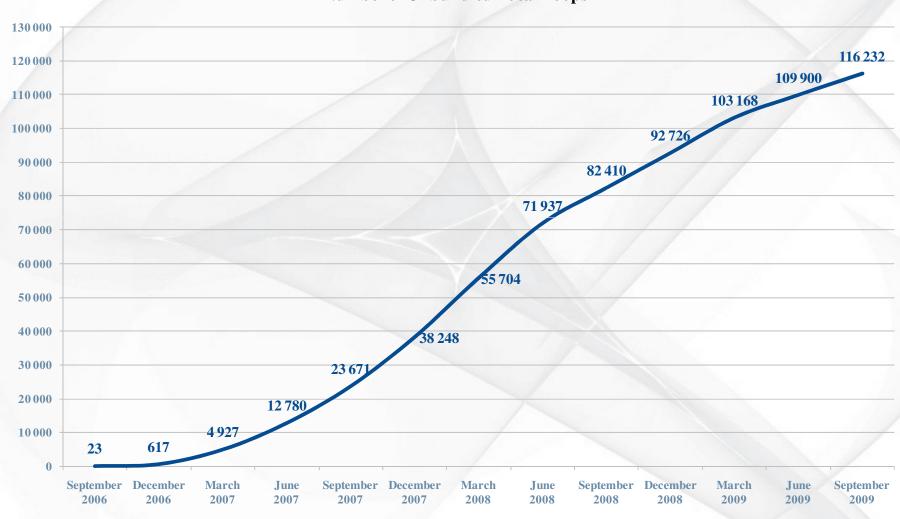














#### **Digital Television Switchover**



- ❖ "Analogue to Digital Television Broadcasting Switchover Strategy for the Republic of Croatia" was adopted by Government on 31st of July, 2008
- ❖ Strategic goal is full analogue to digital TV switchover by the end of 2010
- Switchover concept, region by region (9 "digital" regions)
- ❖ In April 2009 HAKOM granted the license for the use of radiofrequency spectrum for providing electronic communication service managing two DTV broadcasting networks countrywide (MUX A and MUX B) to Odašiljači i veze d.o.o.
- ❖ Test operations for HDTV and DVB-H have been started
- **❖** Analogue to digital switchover is completed → DIGITAL DIVIDEND