

Regular Press Conference

REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE REPUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATION AGENCY IN THE PERIOD 2005 - 2009

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IMPORTANCE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- Wide range of services,
- Telecommunications globalization ubiquities availability,
- Service convergence,
- Entertainment: television, radio, phone, Internet,
- More successful, easier and more simple business (web economy, business, education, health...)



TELECOMMUNICATIONS MARKET

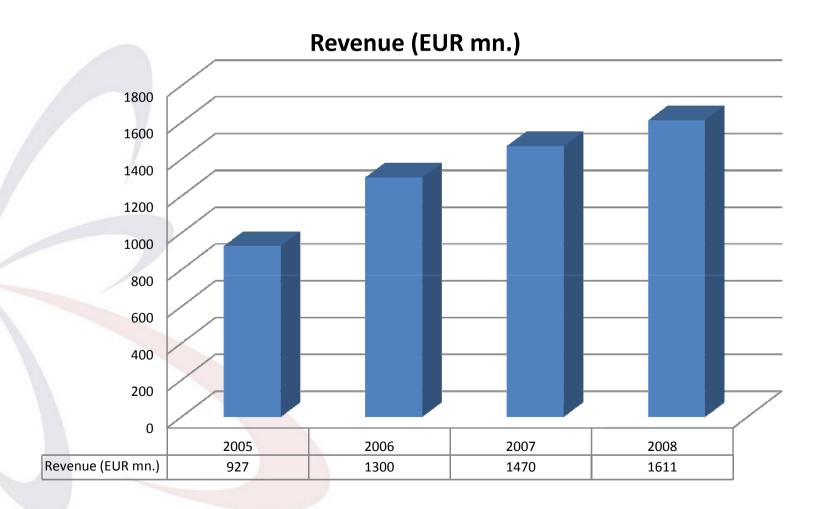
- Quick changes and complex technology,
- Numerous direct and even more indirect participants,
- Significant capital value,
- Large income,
- Constant investment in further development required.



TELECOMMUNICATIONS MARKET IN THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA

Total value: approximately €10bn.

GDP share of the telecom sector: 4% - 6%.



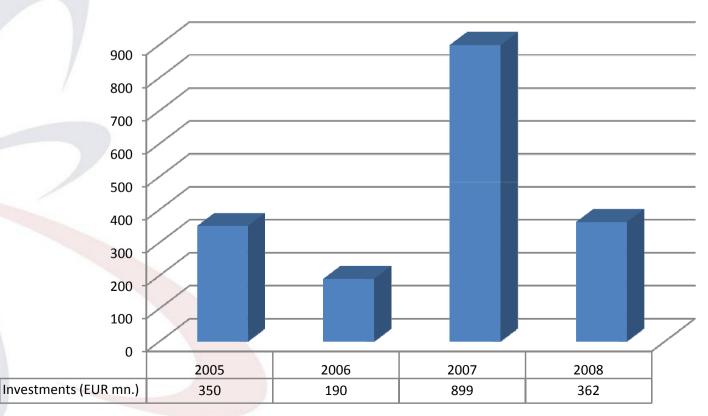


INVESTMENTS IN TELECOM SECTOR

2007 is a particular year as it is the first business year for the foreign operators who have made significant investments in the development of telecommunications in Serbia.

Return on investments in telecom development equals 1.4.

Investments (EUR mn.)



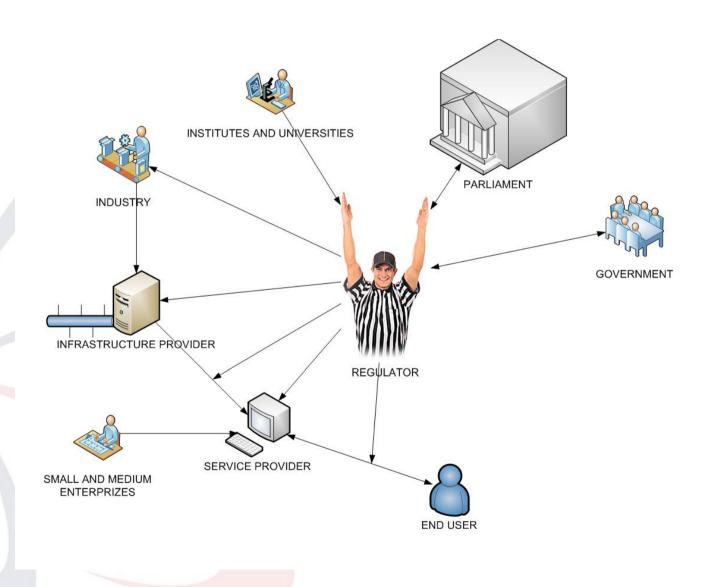


KEY RESULTS IN TELECOM MARKET IN THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA

- The largest privatization –Mobi63 by Norwegian operator
 Telenor, worth €1.602bn,
- The largest greenfield investment Austrian operator
 Mobilkom Austria (VIP Mobile), worth €570mn,
- The number of people working in the telecom sector –
 60,000.



PARTICIPANTS OF THE TELECOM SECTOR





TELECOM MARKET REGULATION

Telecommunications Law defines the participants of the process of telecom market regulation:

- The National Parliament of the Republic of Serbia adopts relevant legislation,
- The Government of the Republic of Serbia defines the Policy and Strategy for the development of telecommunications, adopts the Action Plan and monitors the implementation of the Telecommunications Law,
- The Republic Telecommunication Agency regulator responsible for telecoms development, to the end of the protection of state interest, promotion of competition and end user protection.



TELECOM MARKET REGULATION

- 1. Issuance of:
 - licences,
 - authorizations,
 - radio station licences,
 - technical permits certificates,
 - import approvals,
- 2. Responsible for SMP operators regulation,
- 3. Responsible for interconnection, universal service and leased lines,
- 4. Proposes the numbering plan and manages the plan,
- 5. Radio frequency spectrum management,
- 6. Monitoring.



MARKET CONTROL

Types of telecom services in Serbia:

- Free competition market market-determined prices, cost management by the operator's management to the end of proper business optimization,
- Limited competition market, or market with an SMP operator –
 service prices controlled by the regulatory authority.



Mobile telephony – tree licences – example of free market -







- Full competition,
- Investment promotion,
- Growth in penetration,
- New services,
- New tariff packages,
- Lower prices.



LIMITED COMPETITION MARKET

SMP operators:

- Telekom Srbija fixed telephony, телефонија,
- Serbia Broadband (SBB) radio and Tv program cable distribution.

SMP operators may modify the prices of services only if granted approval by RATEL.

Pricing in the limited competition market:

- Cost-based (applied with SBB),
- Benchmarking comparison with the neighbouring and surrounding countries (applied with Telekom Srbija).



MARKET LIBERALIZATION - introduction of new services and technologies –

- 1. Internet wholesale
- 3 authorizations for public telecom network,
- 4 authorizations for international interconnection,
- 21 authorizations for provision of VoIP services,
- 2. Fixed wireless access (FWA) in the frequency bands 411.875-418.125/421.875-428.125 MHz (CDMA) for the territory of the Republic of Serbia public bidding procedure underway 8 potential bidders for 2 licences.



BROADCASTING

- Cooperation with the Republic Broadcasting Agency,
- National, regional and local radio and TV broadcasting licences issued,
- Order brought to the broadcasting sector,
- Constant monitoring and prevention of illegal broadcasting.



BROADCASTING DIGITALIZATION

Institutions involved:

- Ministry of Culture,
- Ministry of telecommunications and information society,
- Republic Broadcasting Agency (RBA),
- Republic Telecommunication Agency.

Tasks:

- draw up the Strategy for broadcasting digitalization,
- prepare bylaws for the launch of Digital television (DTV) and regulations for IPTV and DHT technology application.

In the RRC-06 conference in Geneva, RATEL has provided new frequency plan for digital broadcasting:

- between 32 and 48 different TV programs,
- between 12 and 16 radio programs.



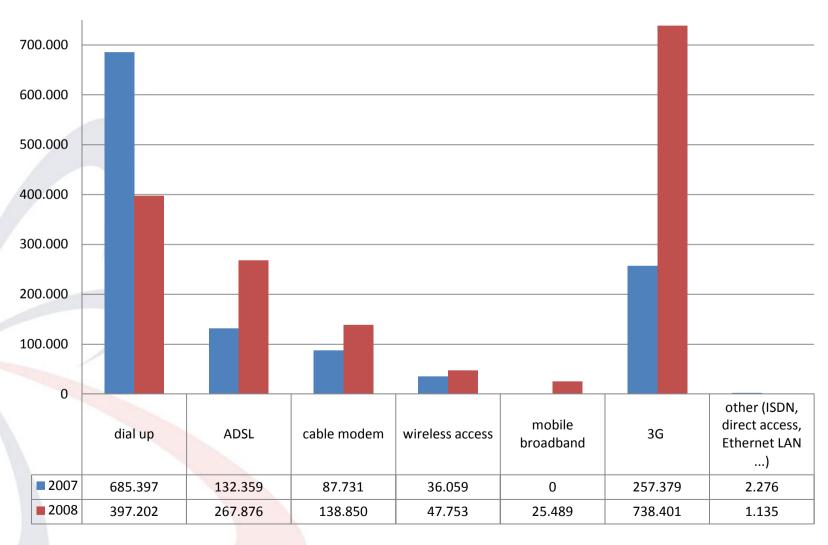
COMPARATIVE TABLE OF THE NUMBER OF USERS

		Number of subscribers				Penetration(%)			
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2005	2006	2007	2008
F	ixed	2,527,300	2,719,000	2,855,000	3,085,000	34	36	38	41
[Mobile	5,511,000	6,644,000	8,453,000	9,619,000	74	89	113	128
1	nternet	757,000	1,005,000	1,269,000	1,614,000	10	13	17	22
C	CATV	531,000	542,000	774,000	856,000	7	7	10	11
	Broadband Access	41,000	122,000	583,000	1,218,000	1	2	8	16



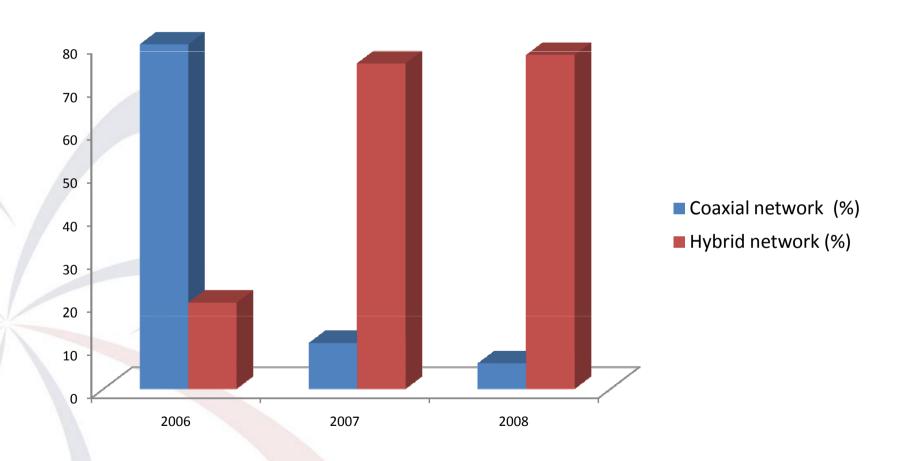
QUALITY OF INTERNET SERVICE

Number of Internet subscription according to access technology





QUALITY OF RADIO AND TV CABLE DISTRIBUTION SERVICES





TELECOM SERVICES PRICES – LOW BASKET

	2006		2007		2008	
	Average bill	% share in the average salary	Average bill	% share in the average salary	Average bill	% share in the average salary
Fixed	907.32	4.18%	928.88	2.69%	725	2.20%
Mobile (prepaid)	488.63	2.25%	351.92	1.02%	364.50	1.10%
Television (National TV subscription		1.38%	350.00	1.02%	387	1.20%
TOTAL	1,695.95	7.81%	1,630.80	4.73%	1,476.50	4.50%



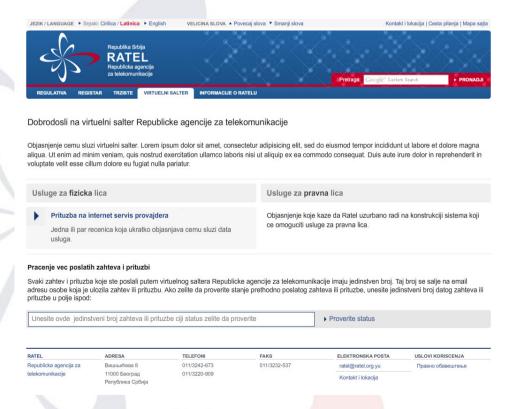
TELECOM SERVICES PRICES – HIGH BASKET

	2006		200	07	2008		
	Average bill	% share in the average salary	Average bill	% share in the average salary	Average bill	% share in the average salary	
Fixed	907.32	4.18%	928.88	2.69%	725	2.2%	
Mobile (prepaid)	1,452.59	6.69%	1,257.15	3.65%	1,333.12	4.1%	
Television (National TV subscription)	300	1.38%	350.00	1.02%	387	1.2%	
ADSL	1,567.40	7.22%	1,309.89	3.80%	1,178.00	3.6%	
CATV	404.73	1.86%	306.92	0.89%	392.61	1.2%	
TOTAL	4,632.04	21.33%	4,152.84	12.05%	4,015.73	12.3%	



Provision of QoS and user protection

RATEL's future virtual counter



Quality control equipment



Spectrum monitoring vehicle





RATEL'S FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

	2006	2007	2008
RATEL's total revenues	405,000,000	722,700,000	1,237,000,000
Трошкови	275,000,000	490,100,000	556,000,000
Уплаћено у буџет РС и АПВ	130,000,000	232,600,000	681,000,000



RATEL's FUTURE TASKS Serious challenge for further development of telecoms sector in Serbia in the next 2-3 years

- Maintain the achieved trend of telecom development in the conditions of global economic crisis,
- Efficient usage of the existing telecoms infrastructure and continued investments in the development and modernization,
- Create conditions for a faster development of broadband access and Internet usage,
- Efficient usage of frequency spectrum and digital switch-over,
- Liberalization and privatization in telecoms sector.



Thank you for your attention



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