

1) **Fiche to be used for each step:**

The step under review	Adoption of the new Law on Electronic Communications, alignment of national legislation with the relevant EU Acquis to align it with the EU Acquis and the Gigabit Infrastructure Act, upon entry in force in EU
Baseline	0 (2025)
Deadline of the step	June 2025
Actual results	<p>The new Law on Electronic Communications (LEC) was adopted in June 2025. By aligning with Directive 2018/1972 - the European Electronic Communications Code, the country aims to improve connectivity quality, promote investment in high-speed networks (including 5G), and ensure sustainable competition. The law, in line with the directive objectives, enhances consumer protection by applying rules equally to traditional and web-based services, ensuring transparency, contract limits, affordable access, and strong safeguards, including for users with disabilities and in emergencies. It guarantees universal access to broadband and voice services, even where market forces fall short.</p> <p>In addition, alignment with Regulation (EU) 2024/1309 – the Gigabit Infrastructure Act (GIA) supports efficient high-speed internet rollout by promoting shared infrastructure use, coordinated civil works, simplified procedures, and high-speed-ready buildings, aiming for full VHCN coverage across all regions by 2030.</p> <p>Prior to the adoption, the draft law was shared with the European Commission in May 2025. The Commission’s comments were received in early August, followed by its assessment, which notes that significant harmonisation gaps remain, primarily because the alignment work was based on the Commission’s proposal rather than the final adopted version of the Gigabit Infrastructure Act—meaning that further amendments to the law will be required in the “Grace period” of 12 months.</p> <p>The working group that drafted the LEC carried out a detailed review of all comments received and prepared a consolidated response document addressing each comment. In parallel, it developed proposed amendments to the LEC and to the Law on Construction.</p> <p>In November, the consolidated response document, accompanied with the draft amendments to the LEC and the Law on Construction, were shared with the competent services of the European Commission.</p> <p>The Law amending the Law on Electronic Communications and the Law amending the Law on Construction were adopted by Parliament on 29th of December 2025 (Official Gazette No. 269, 31 December 2025), addressing the Commission’s comments and the identified harmonisation gaps.</p>
Evidence provided	In line with the requirements of the Growth plan and defined sources of verifications, the following evidence are provided:

1. Annex 1a Government Decision LASLEC
2. Annex 1b Government Decision LASLC
3. Annex 2: Regulatory impact assessment report LASLEC
4. Annex 3a Law amending the Law on electronic communications (Official Gazette no. 269 of 31.12.2025). This Law shall enter into force on the same day from the date of its publication in the "Official Gazette " (31th of December 2025), and shall commence to apply from 1 June 2026, according to Article 65.
5. Annex 3b Law amending the Law on Construction (Official Gazette no. 269 of 31.12.2025). This Law shall enter into force on the same day from the date of its publication in the "Official Gazette" (31th of December 2025), and shall commence to apply from 1 June 2026, according to Article 8.
6. Annex 4a Law amending the Law on Electronic Communications (English version)
7. Annex 4b Law amending the Law on Construction (English version)
8. Annex 5 Law on Electronic Communications (English consolidated version)
9. Annex 6a Law amending the Law on Electronic communications, sent to Parliament
10. Annex 6b Law on amending the Law on Construction sent to Parliament
11. Annex 7: Tables of concordance:
 - Annex 7a: Formular MK – EU regarding 32018L1972 (CODE Directive) & 32024R1309 (GIA Regulation) – Law amending the Law on Electronic Communications
 - Annex 7b: Formular MK – EU regarding 32024R1309 (GIA Regulation) – Law on amending and supplementing the Law on Construction
 - Annex 7c: Formular EU – MK regarding Directive (EU) 2018/1972 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 establishing the European Electronic Communications Code (Recast) (Text with EEA relevance)
 - Annex 7d: Formular EU – MK regarding REGULATION (EU) 1309/2024 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 23 February 2024 concerning the reduction of costs for deploying gigabit electronic communications networks and repealing Directive 2014/61/EU (Gigabit Infrastructure Act) - Law amending the Law on Electronic Communications
 - Annex 7e Formular EU-MK regarding REGULATION (EU) 1309/2024 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 23 February 2024 concerning the reduction of costs for deploying gigabit electronic communications networks and repealing Directive 2014/61/EU (Gigabit Infrastructure Act) - Law amending the Law on Construction
 - Annex 7f Formular EU – MK (English version) regarding Directive (EU) 2018/1972 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 establishing the European Electronic Communications Code (Recast) (Text with EEA relevance)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annex 7g Formular EU – MK (English version) regarding REGULATION (EU) 1309/2024 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 23 February 2024 concerning the reduction of costs for deploying gigabit electronic communications networks and repealing Directive 2014/61/EU (Gigabit Infrastructure Act) <p>12. Annex 8: Compliance statement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annex 8a Statement of compliance LASLEC • Annex 8b Statement of compliance LASLC <p>13. Annex 9: Compliance assessment and confirmation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annex 9a Opinion from Secretariat for Legislation for LASLEC • Annex 9b Opinion from Secretariat for Legislation for LASLC
<p>Checks performed in the verification of the step and related findings</p>	<p>Following the adoption of the new Law on Electronic Communications and receipt of comments by the European Commission, checks were carried out to verify the extent to which the national framework is aligned with the European Electronic Communication Code and Gigabit Infrastructure Act.</p> <p>A dedicated working group composed of national experts—including representatives of the national regulator, the Ministry of Digital Transformation, the Cabinet of the Prime Minister, and members of the Broadband Competence Office—undertook a second, comprehensive review of the law. The group carefully analysed each comment received from the EC and ensured that every comment was addressed with particular attention, with the objective of closing any identified gaps and preventing new ones from emerging through the revision process.</p> <p>The outcome of this verification was documented and validated through the concordance table and the statement of compliance, which confirm the alignment achieved. Following careful analysis on the concordance tables, the statement of compliance was signed by the national Secretariat for Legislation, providing formal confirmation that the amendments address the European Commission’s comments and the identified harmonisation gaps.</p>
<p>Compliance with general principles and DNSH principle</p>	<p>The implementation of the steps does not contravene the general principles outlined in Article 4 and 11(4) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1449 and Article 3 of the Facility Agreement.</p> <p>The implementation of the steps does not contravene the ‘Do No Significant Harm’ principle (DNSH).</p>
<p>Double funding</p>	<p>Contributions from third parties were not reported in support of the achievement of this step.</p>
<p>Clear conclusion on the achievement of the step</p>	<p>Fully achieved</p>