



Brief description of working group L1B: transfer points

At the 3rd FTTH Round Table, a discussion was held about the issue of which points (local exchanges and/or transformer stations) the service providers (TSP) would use to feed their services into an FTTH network, or would lease a fibre optic cable, and what costs the interconnection at these transfer points would generate. On the basis of this discussion, an additional, strategically-orientated working group was formed to deal with the following questions:

1. How to ensure that a layer 1 service is available both in the manhole and in the local exchange/transformer station throughout the country (in places where fibre optics are laid)?
2. How to ensure that genuine competition exists nationwide between layer 2 service providers?
3. How to construct an infrastructure as cost-effectively as possible by means of optimising the number of transfer points and by extending the existing infrastructure?