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## Foreword

This Technical Report (TR) has been produced by ETSI Technical Committee Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM).

The present document includes necessary information to support the co-operation under the MoU between ETSI and the Electronic Communications Committee (ECC) of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT).

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## Introduction

Wideband SRDs are a subset of the broader SRD family that can enable further market growth for diverse applications including Internet of Things, Machine-to-Machine communications, smart home/building automation and 'wearables'. This can be achieved in particular through advanced characteristics of these devices such as higher data rates, improved power usage, and efficient spectrum utilization. Therefore, Wideband SRD's are expected to grow rapidly over the foreseeable future for mass market applications. Based on these expected growth rates and currently limited available frequency bands, there is an essential need for additional spectrum for Wideband SRDs to accommodate the anticipated market growth. The present document requests modifications to the regulatory rules of the UHF 870 - 876 MHz and 915 - 921 MHz frequency bands to enable the operation of Wideband SRDs with advanced spectrum sharing capabilities in these bands.

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# 1 Scope

The present document applies to the potential future usage of Wideband SRDs with advanced spectrum sharing capabilities in the UHF 870 - 876 MHz and 915 - 921 MHz frequency bands. In particular, it:

- Gives an SRD market overview and explains the development and emergence of new Wideband SRD technologies.
- Describes technical characteristics of Wideband SRDs, including advanced spectrum sharing capabilities, as they relate to the usage of the UHF 870 - 876 MHz and 915 - 921 MHz spectrum.
- Details the requested regulatory changes to allow for efficient use of Wideband SRDs.

The present document is intended to include all necessary information required by the Electronic Communications Committee (ECC) under the MoU between ETSI and the ECC.

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