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On the 14 November 2014 ComReg issued a public invitation to Operators to attend an open meeting on fixed number portability. Subsequently on 10 December 2014 ComReg hosted an FNP industry meeting, one of the purposes of this meeting was to review the technical implementation of the current FNP central reference database.

The Current FNP central reference database was commissioned in 1999, and in the intervening period the telecommunications market has changed considerably. Therefore, it was timely for industry to consider the replacement of the current central reference database in the light of the technology changes and market developments.

In January 2015 industry prepared a draft work programme. The programme was divided into three phases: scoping and feasibility, procurement and implementation.

The preliminary work is now completed. Industry has reached consensus and has agreed to commence a project to replace the current central reference database infrastructure with a more up-to date solution.

ComReg has facilitated industry discussions during the pre-planning phase of this project. Industry is currently in the process of creating an FNP project team, the project team will then prepare a formal project plan, assign tasks to the project team members on voluntary basis etc.

ComReg is taking this opportunity to remind Operators that have not been directly involved to date that a formal FNP project kick-off meeting will be hosted in ComReg on **12 Nov at 2:30 P.M.** At this meeting an industry programme manager will be appointed by agreement and terms of reference (ToR) for the project will be agreed.

The industry project manager will then manage the project to its conclusion with engagement by and support of Operators, as required.

Operators that wish to engage in the development of the project can attend the FNP project kick-off meeting.

In order for us to provide suitable facilities we request operators to email Brian Butcher at brian.butcher@comreg.ie by 5 November indicating your intention to attend including the number of delegates who will attend from your organisations.