

Numbering Group

The FCS Numbering Group was set up in April 2006 to represent companies that deliver numbers to businesses and consumers in the UK. The communications industry regulator, Ofcom, has published its review of UK numbering policy and set in train changes to the regulation of Number Translation Services and VoIP services, both of which directly affect the numbering providers and resellers. The Numbering Group offers an avenue for these providers to work with regulators and customers to ensure an orderly supply of numbering services.

Group Objectives

- Represent members' interests in UK numbering policy
- Represent views of industry to government and regulator
- Ensure that there is a fair open and competitive environment
- Promote best practice and standards for number service providers
- Provide opportunities for SPs to meet and discuss key issues
- Provide support, information and advice to member companies
- Work in co-operation with consumer and regulator

Issues

- Ofcom Numbering plan and the impact of changes on numbering providers
- Process for allocation of numbers to CPs
- Management of numbers and charging for numbers
- Call termination rates
- Revenue sharing
- Regulation policy and interface with Ofcom and ICSTIS [PhonePayPlus]
- Intelligent numbering
- Number portability
- Number building
- Self-regulation

Who's Who in the Numbering Group?

The Numbering group is co-chaired by:

Kieron James of Zimo Communications Ltd and **Will Goodall** of FleXtel Ltd

Jacqui Brookes, FCS CEO, represents members' interests on the ICSTIS Industry Liaison Panel

How can I join the Numbering Group?

Membership is open to companies that are, or are seeking to become, Numbering service providers or resellers or their suppliers. The Numbering Group is a membership group within FCS. Members of FCS may join the Numbering Group as well as other Groups relevant to their companies such as the Fixed Service Provider Association, the Association of Communication Service Providers and the VoIP Group

To join the Numbering Group call the FCS office on 0208 249 6363 or e-mail numbering@fcs.org.uk or fax your contact details to 0870 120 5927

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