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## ***TRC Consults on Its Work Programme for 2011-2012***

***17<sup>th</sup> June, 2011*** – The Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (“TRC”) has today launched a public consultation on its Work Programme for the financial year of 2011-2012. The consultation document is available for download from the TRC’s website at [www.trc.vg](http://www.trc.vg). The public consultation is open until 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2011.

The proposed Work Programme reinforces continuation of TRC’s efforts in enabling and fostering competition in the telecommunications sector, enhancing consumer awareness and protection of their interests, supporting wider interests of the community as well as developing the TRC as an effective regulatory institution.

Mr. Tomas Lamanauskas, CEO of the TRC, commented that “over the past year we have undertaken a number of important projects. Such initiatives include adoption of new consumer protection requirements; enhancing the framework for fostering competition in the sector; developing clear plans for bringing new technologies and services, in particular mobile broadband internet, into the Virgin Islands; as well as strengthening Territory’s telecommunications infrastructure by establishing an Internet Exchange Point. It is important that we built on these and other achievements with the objective to ensure that the telecommunications sector brings the maximum value to residents and businesses of the Virgin Islands.” He further added that “this consultation is a checkpoint on the road towards such vision and an opportunity for everyone to provide their views on the direction of the TRC.”

Responses to the public consultation could be sent to [consultations@trc.vg](mailto:consultations@trc.vg).

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### **Note to Editors:**

The Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (TRC) is a statutory body responsible for regulating the telecommunications sector of the Virgin Islands, protecting interests of users of telecommunications services, ensuring fair competition among operators of telecommunications networks and providers of telecommunications services, promoting the development of telecommunications throughout the Virgin Islands and advising the Minister of Communications and Works on telecommunications policies.