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Abstract

In order to keep pace with the growing demand and the significant developments in progress within communication technology, especially wireless data transmission services, the adoption of new mechanisms for the pricing of mobile internet services has become a necessity and a duty. It is well known that pricing mechanisms require the existence of a regulatory framework to monitor and ensure the benefit of the service provider and the service user at the same time.

Firstly, the study under discussion, looked at the mechanism for the formation of a regulatory framework, mainly, to monitor mobile internet service pricing on the basis of the level of quality of service provided, then, to encourage service providers to adopt such a mechanism and, ultimately, to acquaint users with such service so they can learn how to link the tariff level with the quality provided.

To achieve such objectives, recommendations, courtesy of the International Telecommunication Union for the quality of services were chosen by the study as a parameter. Moreover, the experiences of some countries that have special regulations for the quality of mobile services were taken into account however; those countries were purposefully selected at random. Furthermore, a field survey targeting mobile service providers in Sudan, the regulatory system and the users of the services was chosen to gather the much needed information for this study.

As a result, the broad analysis of the study, which was conducted on the information that has been collected through the field survey (questionnaires) revealed that Nigeria is the country which bears the most resemblance to Sudan in terms of the number of operators who are in the market, the level of competition between service providers, penetration rate of Service Mobile, the proportion of people who use the Internet, the level of annual per capita income and the rate of enrolment in universities. The analysis have also produced the general outline of the regulatory framework which will regulate and monitor the pricing based on the level of quality provided to mobile internet service. The results had, on the other hand, showed large interest accruing to the service providers in return if and when they eventually adopt such a mechanism.

Finally, the study has elucidated the mechanisms and channels that can be used to increase the awareness of users of Mobile Services and how to acquaint them with the quality of services on offer.

ملخص الدراسة

اصبح اعتماد اليات جديدة لتسعير خدمات الموبايل انترنت ضرورة وواجب ليواكب الطلب المتزايد والتطور الكبير الحاصل في تكنولوجيا الاتصالات وخاصة خدمات نقل البيانات عبرالشبكات اللاسلكية، وكما هـو معلوم ان آلية التسعير تحتاج لوجـود اطـار تنظيمـي يراقـب تلـك الآليـة ويضمن استفادة مقدم الخدمة ومستخدم الخدمـة فـي آن واحـد، بحثـت هـذة الدراسـة عـن آليـة لتكـوين اطـار تنظيمـي لمراقبـة تسـعير خدمـة الموبايل انترنت على اساس مستوى جودة الخدمة المقدمة وتشجيع مقدمي الخدمة على اعتماد تلك الآلية وتوعية مستخدمي الخدمة لمعرفة وربط التعرفة بمستوى الجودة المقدمة ، وكان ذلك عبر الاستعانة بتوصيات الاتحاد الدولي للاتصالات الخاصة بجودة الخدمات بالأضافة الي الاخذ في الاعتبار تجارب بعض الدول والتي تم اختيارها بشـكل عشـوائى وبشرط ان يكون الديها لوائح تنظيميـة خاصـة بجـودة خـدمات الموبايـل بالاضافة لاجـراء مسـح ميـداني اسـتهدف مقـدمي خـدمات الموبايـل بالسودان والجهاز التنظيمي ومستخدمي الخـدمات . وقـد وضـح التحليـل الـذي اجـري علـي المعلومـات الـتي تـم جمِعهـا عـبر المسـح الميـداني (الاستبيان) ان نيجيريا هي اكثر الدول تشابهاً مع السودان من حيث عـدد المشغلين الموجودين بالسوق ،مستوى المنافسة بين مقدمي الخدمات، نسبة تغلغل وانتشار خدمة الموبايل، نسبة الأشخاص اللـذين يسـتخدمون الانترنت، مستوى دخل السنوي للفرد ومعدل الالتحاق بالتعليم الجـامعي. كما خرجت نتائج التحليل بالشـكل العـام للاطـار التنظيمـي الـذي سـوف ينظم ويراقب التسعير على اساس مستوي الجودة المقدمة لخدمة الموبايل انترنت و اوضحت النتائج الفائدة الكبيرة التي تعود على مقدمي الخدمة من أعتماد تلُّك الآلية وختاماً وضحت الآليات والقنوات التي يمكنُّ استخدامها لزيادة وعي مستخدمي خدمات الموبايل و تعريفهم بنوعية الخدمات المقدمة.

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Glossary

QoS Quality of service

SLA Service Level Agreement

ITU the International Telecommunication Union

BE Best Effort

ISPs Internet Service Provider

Four Ps Price, Product, Promotion, and <u>Place</u>

NBR Nominal Bit Rate

DP Drop Preference

DI Delay Indication

P2P Peer-to-Peer

QoE Quality of Experience

IP Internet Protocol

VoIP Voice Over Internet Protocol

CoSes Class of Service

KPI Key Performance Indicators

TRC Telecommunications Regulatory Commission

NTC National Telecommunication Corporation

GDP Gross Domestic Product