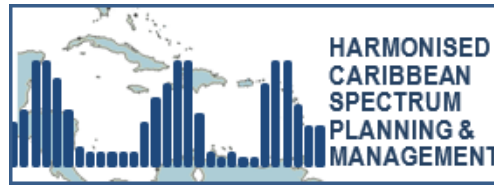




Caribbean Telecommunications Union



MEETING OF THE CARIBBEAN SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE

29th June 2021

Virtually Via Zoom Videoconferencing

The CTU invites relevant stakeholders to a scheduled meeting of the Caribbean Spectrum Management Task Force via Zoom videoconferencing. The meeting is carded to span two sessions on the 29th June 2021, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Caribbean time).

Background

The Caribbean Telecommunications Union (CTU) continues to be guided by the **Caribbean Spectrum Management Strategic Plan**, which seeks to achieve the following goals across the region:

- Harmonization of national frequency allocations and band plans, including common frequencies and international protocols for disaster management and emergency telecommunications
- Minimization of cross border interference
- Establishment of common approaches to digital broadcasting switchover, white spaces regulation and spectrum pricing.

Implementation of the strategic plan is being undertaken in phases and coordinated regionally through the work of the Spectrum Management Steering Committee (SMSC) and the multi-stakeholder Spectrum Management Task Force (SMTF).

During its last meeting which was convened virtually via Zoom Videoconferencing on the 22nd and 24th of February 2021, the SMTF formulated its Action Plan for 2021 including some items brought forward from 2020 and new ones related to digital broadcasting and maritime communications.

Spectrum Management Task Force (SMTF) Meeting Objectives: 29th June 2021

The main purpose of this June meeting, which is open to representatives of the Caribbean Spectrum Management Task Force, Steering Committee and support resources, would be to:

- Review progress and re-assess approaches for achievement of items in the 2021 Action Plan
- Provide an opportunity for working groups of the SMTF to meet and work on substantive matters
- Provide an opportunity for the Task Force to engage with industry stakeholder groups with interests for spectrum resources
- Plan future work of the Task Force.

Meeting Logistics

Information related to meeting logistics, registration, documents etc. would be posted on the event web page of the CTU web site at <https://ctu.int/event/caribbean-spectrum-management-task-force-june-2021/>. Successful registrants will receive a subsequent e-mail with the meeting connection link.

For this upcoming meeting, Zoom’s “waiting room” feature will be established so persons joining would have to be admitted to the meeting by the host. Therefore in order to assure a prompt start to each session, we kindly ask that you aim to join the meeting a few minutes early and be sure to identify yourself clearly when signing in so that you may be easily recognised and quickly admitted. In addition, we ask and encourage attendees to show your video. It’s a videoconference after all.

Target Audience

- Members of the Spectrum Management Task Force and Steering Committee
- Representatives (Policy Makers and Regulators) from CTU member countries
- Caribbean telecommunications industry practitioners and stakeholders
- Telecommunications industry associations and regional organisations
- International telecommunications organisations;
- CTU Secretariat support staff.

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

| SESSION 1: 29 th June 2021 | | |
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| Indicative Time (AST) | Agenda Items | Lead |
| 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. | Invocation and Welcome Remarks | Rodney Taylor CTU Secretary General |
| 10:15 – 11:00 a.m. | Status review of the 2021 Action Plan - Assess action items and time frames - Working Group workshop planning | Chairman SMTF SMTF Chair |
| 11:00 – 12:30 p.m. | BREAKOUTS: Working Group workshops | Work Group Chairs |
| 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. | Update 2021 Action Plan items & time frames | SMTF Chair |
| 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. | BREAK | |

| SESSION 2: 29 th June 2021 | | |
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| Indicative Time (AST) | Agenda Items | Lead |
| 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. | Presentations and engagements with Industry Stakeholders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues re non-GSO Satellite Constellations • Wi-Fi 6E: Delivering Broadband Connectivity • Unlicensed Access to 6 GHz Band • WRC-23 Agenda Briefing • Regional Preparation for WRC-23 • WRC-23 Issues re Mobile Services | Chairman SMTF Amy Mehlman, Viasat Alex Roytblat, Wi-Fi Alliance Martha Suarez, DSA Carmelo Rivera, ACES Corp. Global VSAT Forum Veena Rawat, GSMA |
| 4:00 – 4:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. | Any Other Business/ Wrap up CLOSE | CTU/SMTF Chair |