



Caribbean Industry Watch

September 26th 2023

OTT SERVICES, BIG TECH COMPANIES AND CARIBBEAN OPERATORS

March 3rd 2022

CTU
Commissioned
report
completed on
'Regulating
Over the Top
Service
Providers and
Big Tech
Companies in
the Caribbean'

September 5th 2022

CTU's 2nd Technical
Conference

February 17th 2023

1st Meeting of OTT,
Big Tech Companies
and Caribbean
Service Providers

June 23rd 2023

2nd Meeting
OTT, Big Tech
Companies and
Caribbean
Service
Providers

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MILESTONES

WS 1	Business (5 meetings) – Final report completed
WS 2	Technical (5 meetings) – Final report September 25
WS 3	Legal / Policy (6 meetings) – Final report September 27
4th Plenary	Final Plenary Session – September 29
Project Report	Project Manager's Report submission to CTU – October 5
CTU Report	CTU Report to Ministers, Members and Stakeholders – ICT Week

19th CIGF and 2nd CYIGF

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- Caribbean Internet Governance Policy Framework Issue 4.0
- Capacity Building Session #1: ICT Indicators to Measure Connectivity and Support Policy Development
- Capacity Building Session #2: Cybersecurity and Cybercrime – International Cooperative Frameworks and National Imperatives
- National, Regional and Global IG Contexts
- Introduction to Internet Governance - Caribbean Perspectives from the Internet Organisations
- Hot Topics in IG

2nd CYIGF

- Youth IG Action Plan
- Roundtable Discussion: Leveraging ICTs for Caribbean Youth Development Ahead of the Global Digital Compact
- Roundtable Discussion: AI Governance
- Roundtable Discussion: Opportunities for Regional Youth Development
- From Vision to Reality: CYIGF as an NRI

EU's Digital Services Act (DSA)

- As of August 25 2023, the EU's Digital Services Act (DSA) applies to 19 large platforms and search engines, including Facebook, Instagram, X (formerly Twitter), Snapchat, YouTube, LinkedIn., and Google Search
- Platforms will not only have to be more transparent, but will also be held accountable for their role in disseminating illegal and harmful content
- Amongst other things, the DSA:
 1. Lays down special obligations for online marketplaces in order to combat the online sale of illegal products and services;
 2. Introduces measures to counter illegal content online and obligations for platforms to react quickly, while respecting fundamental rights;
 3. Protects minors online by prohibiting platforms from using targeted advertising based on the use of minors' personal data as defined in EU law;
 4. Imposes certain limits on the presentation of advertising and on the use of sensitive personal data for targeted advertising, including gender, race and religion;
 5. Bans misleading interfaces known as 'dark patterns', and practices aimed at misleading.
- Stricter rules apply for **very large** online platforms and search engines (VLOPs and VLOSEs), which will have to:
 1. Offer users a system for recommending content that is not based on profiling;
 2. Analyse the systemic risks they create: Risks related to the dissemination of illegal content, negative effects on fundamental rights, on electoral processes and on gender-based violence or mental health.

THANK YOU



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