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PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

CARICOM Single ICT Space

- Coordinate projects in order to implement the Single ICT Space

Declaration of St George's Towards the Reduction of Intra CARICOM Roaming Charges

- Reduction of >70% intra-roaming charges among CARICOM countries

Regional Single ICT Regulatory Framework

- Promote harmonisation of ICT Regulation across the region
- Foster increased innovation and investment in technological advancement

Harmonised Spectrum Planning and Management

- Coordinate the work of the Caribbean Spectrum Management Task Force and Steering Committee in order to harmonise the effective use of spectrum

ICT Development Sustainability

- Facilitate discussions between Network Operators and Big Tech/OTT providers to ensure continuity of investment in regional infrastructure.

PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES CONT'D

Building Internet Governance Capacity and Continuity through Youth and SIDS Initiatives

- Caribbean Internet Governance Forum, held annually since 2005
- Caribbean Internet Governance Policy Framework
- Caribbean Youth Internet Governance Forum, launched in 2022
- Hosted first SIDS (Small Island Developing States) Internet Governance Forum, hosted in 2022
- Critical Internet Infrastructure Development

ICT4ALL

- Initiatives and workshops promoting ICT for persons with disabilities (ICT4PWDs)
- CVAS, supporting video relay services for the Deaf and the Blind
- Girls in ICT, CTU Network of Women (NoW) and other inclusion initiatives

Representation at Global Fora

- Convened the largest ever contingent of 14 eligible CTU Member States to attend the Plenipotentiary Conference 2022 of the International Telecommunication Union
- Caribbean advocate at meetings and conferences of the UN, ITU, CITEL, Internet organisations etc
- Hosted the CTU's first Open Forum at the 18th UN Internet Governance Forum 2023

Caribbean Centre of Excellence (CCoE)

- ICT Consultancy and Project Management Services
- ICT Capacity building
- Network of Experts

Caribbean ICT Roadshow/ Caribbean FutureScape

- Education and awareness building in ICT
- Demonstration of effective use of ICT
- Youth Forum
- Innovators' Forum
- Hosted 23 times in 18 countries since 2009.

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**Caribbean
Telecommunications
Union**

Shaping Caribbean ICT Development

INTRODUCTION

The Caribbean Telecommunications Union (CTU) is an intergovernmental organisation that was established in 1989 by the Member States of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) to foster coordination of policy, standards and general development of telecommunications within CARICOM. Recognising the rapidly changing telecommunications industry, the mandate of the CTU was expanded in 2004 to include information and communication technologies (ICT).

As a CARICOM Institution, the CTU is unique in that its membership not only comprises regional governments but also private sector, governmental agencies and civil society organisations. It also includes non-CARICOM States/Territories among its members. The CTU is a multi-stakeholder institution in which its members and stakeholders cooperate to shape the regional ICT sector. Its members co-operate to shape the regional information and communications technologies sector.

- The primary **facilitator** for the formulation of Caribbean ICT policy and best practices;
- The preferred **source** of ICT advice for regional Governments;
- A major **contributor** to the development of ICT capacity within the region;
- The designated **advocate** for Caribbean ICT positions at international fora;
- The respected **coordinator** for regional ICT project; and further
- A potent **catalyst** for digital transformation.

MISSION STATEMENT

To create an environment in partnership with members to optimise returns from ICT resources for the benefit of its stakeholders.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Organs of the CTU are:

General Conference of Ministers (Permanent)

This supreme body of the CTU, comprising Member States' representatives responsible for ICT, convenes annually.

Executive Council (Permanent)

This supervisory body of the CTU, comprising Member States' Permanent Secretaries and Technical Officers, responsible for ICT, convenes biannually.

Technical Conference (Ad Hoc)

This body considers ICT issues and comprises Member State and other stakeholders' expert representatives.

The Secretariat (Permanent)

This is the principal administrative organ of the Organisation, which is headed by a Secretary-General.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS

President

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Senator the Hon. Hassel Bacchus

Minister of Digital Transformation

Vice-President

GRENADA

Hon. Lennox John Andrews

Minister of Economic Development, Planning, Tourism, ICT, Creative Economy, Agriculture, and Lands, Fisheries & Cooperatives

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE CONT'D

Executive Council

Chairman

BARBADOS

Mr. Clifford Bostic

Director Digital Infrastructure

Ministry of Industry, Innovation Science and Technology

Vice-Chairman

GRENADA

Mr. Orlando Romain

Advisor, Ministry of Economic Development and Planning - responsible for ICT and Creative Economy

Secretariat

Secretary-General

Mr. Rodney Taylor

Deputy Secretary-General and Head of

Regional Policy Development

Mr. Nigel Cassimire

Director Finance and Administration

Mr. Selby Wilson

Director Stakeholder Engagement

Mr. Trevor Prevatt

Director Business Development and Implementation Support

Mr. Gary Kalloo



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