



CTU-GSOA-CDEMA SATELLITE CONNECTIVITY WORKSHOP

Resilient Connectivity via Satellite: Crisis Requirements and Regulatory Complexities

TUESDAY 19TH MAY 2026

Time	Item	Representative
09:00	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Mr. Rodney Taylor Secretary-General, CTU Ms. Isabelle Mauro Director General, GSOA
Session I: Emergency Communications - Ground Realities This session takes a ground-level approach, unpacking the operational steps required to establish communications during disasters and examining the real-world administrative, regulatory, and logistical blockages encountered by countries.		
9:10	Presentations: Emergency Telecommunications: Saving Lives & Interactive Working Segment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The practical steps in deploying emergency communications infrastructure Common barriers: licensing delays, equipment clearance bottlenecks, spectrum access challenges, and coordination gaps. Case-based reflections on national experiences Why the Tampere Convention matters and how its implementation can remove critical obstacles. 	Facilitator: Mr. Tariq Mohammed , CTU Consultant Mr. Courtney King , Senior Programme Officer, CDEMA Ms. Lena Bock , Head of TEC/Regional ETC Coordinator, Technology Division World Food Programme Ms. Maritza Delgado , Programme Officer, BDT/DNE/ Climate Change and Emergency Telecommunication Division, ITU Lessons learned conversation: Mr. Ryan Johnson , Sr. Director, Global Government and Regulatory Affairs, Viasat Mr. Alejandro Jordan , Hispasat
Session II: Satellite Frameworks- Opportunities & Emerging Complexities This second session turns toward the future, focusing on regulatory frameworks, licensing considerations, and the increasingly complex satellite landscape.		
10:35	Presentation: Satellite Licensing Best Practices	Ms. Natalia Vicente , GSOA Mr. Allan Ruiz , Eutelsat Ms. Michelle Caldeira , SES Mr. David Tejada , AST Space Mobile Ms. Madi Lottenbach , Amazon
11:05	Presentation: Satellite Licensing Best Practices & Interactive Working Segment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evolving satellite regulatory frameworks Satellite licensing challenges The growing intersection of satellite, terrestrial networks, and emerging technologies 	Facilitator: Natalia Vicente , VP Public Affairs, GSOA Lessons learned conversation: Dr. Maria Myers Hamilton , JP Managing Director Spectrum Management Authority, Jamaica Mr. Richard Womersley , Spectrum Manager, Utility Regulation and Competition Office, Cayman Islands Mr. Conrad Toby Manager, Spectrum Planning and Broadcasting, Telecommunications Authority of Trinidad and Tobago
11:45	Next Steps and Wrap Up	Tariq & Natalia
12:00	END OF CTU-GSOA SATELLITE CONNECTIVITY WORKSHOP	