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Tiago is a digital policy researcher and consultant. He has 14 years of experience in digital policy and regulatory affairs, and an extensive track record of working in the design, evaluation, and implementation of evidence-based, digital and connectivity policies for governmental actors in LATAM, Europe, Africa, as well as for international organizations (e.g. the UN's International Telecommunications Union - ITU, the Organization of American States - OAS). He authored the [ICT Infrastructure Business Planning Toolkit](#), published in 2019 as a reference of the United Nations and which offers regulators, policymakers, and stakeholders a practical methodology for the accurate economic evaluation of proposed broadband infrastructure installation and deployment plans. In collaboration with the ITU, Tiago also trained policymakers and regulators of more than 50 African, Asian and Latin American countries on how to use business planning as a tool to support evidence-based digital policy and regulatory decisions. He currently consults for the Interamerican Development Bank – IDB on a long-term program focused on supporting and financing connectivity projects to enable that Latin American countries bridge their digital gaps (e.g., school connectivity, rural connectivity, deployment of fixed broadband in low populated areas, transport/backhaul networks, etc.).

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