



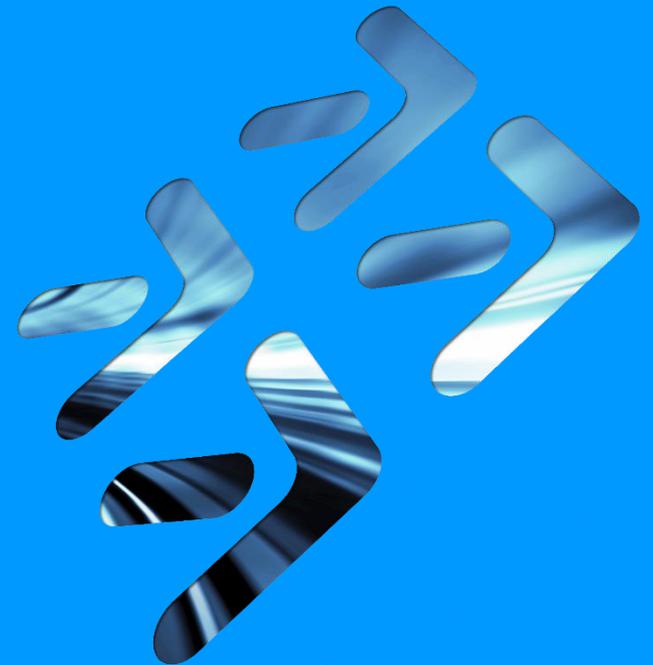
**Caribbean  
Telecommunications  
Union**

# **CTU Activities Relevant to WRC-15**

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*Americas Regional Radiocommunication Seminar  
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# About the CTU

- Established in 1989 by Caribbean Community (CARICOM) to be the inter-governmental telecommunications policy instrument for the Caribbean
- 2003: Defined a new strategic direction to address issues of information and communications technologies (ICT)
- 2004: Expanded Membership to include Private sector organisations
- Sector Member of ITU; Observer status at CITELE
- CTU fosters and works in strategic partnerships

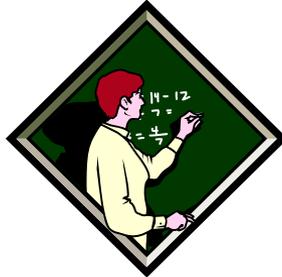
# CTU Members



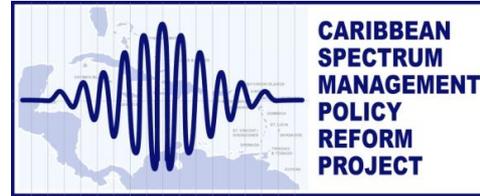
## ARIN

- Bureau Telecommunicatie en Post (Curacao)
- Digicel (Trinidad & Tobago)
- Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority
- LIME (Barbados)
- International Amateur Radio Union (Region2)
- Telecommunications Authority of Trinidad and Tobago

# CTU Core Activities

-  **ICT Harmonised Policy Formulation**
- **Capacity Development** 
-  **Regional ICT Project Coordination**
- **Caribbean Representation** 
-  **Industry Watch**

# CTU Projects



## Spectrum Management - Phases I&II

- 2005 - 2009: Undertook the Caribbean Spectrum Management Policy Reform Project
  - Multi-stakeholder Policy Development consultations
  - Spectrum Audits
  - Training Programmes
  - Harmonised Spectrum Management Policy Framework
  - Switch-over to Digital Broadcasting
- 2013: Embarked on Phase 2 of Caribbean Spectrum Management Project

# Harmonised Caribbean Spectrum Planning and Management Project

- Technical Cooperation with the IDB and Compete Caribbean
- Activities to be undertaken
  - Reconstitution of governing bodies.
  - Design of mechanisms to provide sustainability to the governing bodies.
  - Frequency band analysis and proposal.
  - Development of a strategic regional spectrum management plan.
    - cross border interference
    - digital switchover and white spaces management
    - pricing principles

# Harmonised Caribbean Spectrum Planning and Management Project

- IDB Technical Cooperation Milestones

- 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2013: Technical Cooperation Agreement Signed



- January 2015: End of Project work activities

# Harmonised Caribbean Spectrum Planning and Management Project - Activity Schedule

- Project Plan in train
- Steering Committee and Task Force members being confirmed
- Programme Manager contracted
- SMTF meetings and workshops
- Consultancy TORs and procurement in train
  - Target Aug - Sep 2014
- Capacity building and enhancement of regional expertise
- Development of harmonised frequency plans and regional spectrum management plan (Q3 2014 - Q1 2015)
  - Meetings of the SMTF and SMSC

# Caribbean Impact on WRC

- Traditionally limited owing to resource constraints (human and financial)
- Aiming to capitalise on the coincidental timing of the Harmonised Spectrum Project to impact on regional and international consensus for WRC-15
- Planning to feed Caribbean consensus views into the CITELE WRC-15 preparatory and IAP development process
  - Tentative CITELE prep meetings in Feb and Sep 2015
- CTU will facilitate Caribbean consensus building and is open to facilitating relevant liaisons with international agencies and spectrum stakeholders



**Thank you**

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