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**A Frequency Plan for
Caribbean region
-
An Approach**

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WH **Y?**

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Equitable Access!

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Efficient use of spectrum

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First challenge

MULTI STANDARDS!

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First question

FREQUENCY BANDS?



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An Approach

THREE STEP LOOP!



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1. Input Data

- Existing digital assignments
- Digital future requirements
 - Site
 - Coverage (ERP, antenna pattern)
 - Polarization

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2. Compatibility Tables

	TX1	TX2	TX3	TX4
TX1	=			
TX2	X	-		
TX3			-	
TX4	X		X	-

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Planning Parameters

- Propagation models
 - % of location
 - % of time
- Protection ratios
- Receiving antenna characteristics
 - Antenna discrimination



Frequency Blocks!

- Different bandwidths
- Advantages
 - Similar coverage
 - Shared Tx antenna system
 - One receiving antenna
 - White space?



3. Distribute Blocks

- Take into account existing assignments
- Based on compatibility tables

Congratulations!

GO BACK TO STEP 1!

Caribbean region

- Trinidad – Venezuela
- Guyana – Suriname
- Eastern Islands group
- Jamaican – Haiti – Cuba

WAY FORWARDS

LET'S DISCUSS!

Next steps?

- SharePoint site to share information, technical papers?
- Missing planning parameters?
- More studies on the block approach?
- Etc...



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Thank you for your attention!



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