



**Regional Connectivity Forum for the
Caribbean
And Central America, Dominican Republic,
December 1, 2014**

AGENDA

8:00 - 8:30	<i>Registration</i>
8:30 - 8:45	Opening Remarks Mr. Gedeón Santos, President , INDOTEL Mr. Miguel Alcaine, BDT Representative, AO Honduras
8:45 - 10:00	Connectivity and Broadband in the Americas: This session will focus on an evaluation of Connectivity and Broadband in the Americas and the economic and social impacts of increased penetration of broadband Internet Access in the Caribbean and Central American countries as well as the importance of the deployment of Internet Exchange Points (IXPs) as part of this strategy. Proposed Moderator: Mr. Miguel Alcaine, BDT Representative, AO Honduras <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Socio economic impact of Internet and broadband penetration Mr. Sylvester Cadette BDT representative, AO Barbados • Activities towards the improvement of regional connectivity Mr. César Díaz, LACNIC • Affordable Internet Ms. Sonia Jorge, Executive Director Alliance for Affordable Internet (A4AI)/World Wide Web Foundation • Regional Connectivity in the Caribbean and Central America Mr. Pau Puig Gabarró, ICT Policy Specialist, World Bank. • Digilac Lorena Cano, ICT specialist, IDB
10:10 - 10:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
10:30 - 12:30	Strategic vision for connectivity implementation at national level and the regional coordination: Will be focused in discussions of the strategic vision for connectivity implementation at the national level and the regional coordination providing interaction with countries and representatives from the multilateral organizations on the investments and regulatory efforts towards a regional integration. Particular focus on the role to IXPs as a critical element of the strategy and a key infrastructure component to increase connectivity, reduce latency and the cost of transit. Moderator: Mr. Miguel Fadul, President, Dominican Association of Telecommunications Professional (PRODETEL) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connecting the Caribbean Mr. Junior McIntyre, Project Coordinator, CTU • The Caribbean Knowledge and Learning Network (CKLN) and C@ribeNET. Mr. Ken Sylvester, CEO. Caribbean Knowledge and Learning Network • The role of new technologies for innovation and digital development. Mr. Santiago Reyes Borda, Senior Advisor, Industry Canada • Connectivity experience in Central America. Mr. Jorge Torres, Secretary Deputy, COMTELCA • Broadband Infrastructure Inventory and Public Awareness in the Caribbean(BIIPAC) Ms. Ayanna T. Samuels, CANTO



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominican Republic connectivity experience Mr. Salvador Ricourt
12:30 - 14:00	<p><i>Lunch</i></p> <p>ITU: Interactive Terrestrial Transmission Maps (Optical Fibers and Microwaves), Mr. Sylvester Cadette, BDT Representative AO Barbados</p>
14:00 - 16:00	<p>Internet value-chain's stakeholders: how could they help advance the deployment of IXP's? This session will focus on the similarities and differences among different actors influencing connectivity, particularly around IXPs. What are the myths and realities surrounding networks and connectivity in general and IXPs in particular.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Clovis Baptista, Executive Secretary, CITEL</p> <p>Mr. Daniel Brandao Cavalcanti, Senior Policy Advisor, ANATEL Mr. Sebastián Bellagamba, ISOC Mr. Oscar Messano, CCAT, LACNIC, CABASE Mr. Ariel Graizer, President, LAC-IX Mr. Eduardo Gardenilla, Vicepresident Wholesale area, Columbus Mr. Daniel Bernal, Regulatory Issues Corporative Coordinator, America Movil (TBC)</p>
16:00 - 16:20	<p><i>Coffee Break</i></p>
16:20 - 18:00	<p>General Report on discussed topics and round table and the way ahead</p> <p>This session structured as round table discussion aiming at the identification of concrete actions towards the integration of efforts in deploying regional connectivity infrastructure;</p> <p>Proposed Moderator: Mr. Miguel Alcaine, BDT Representative, AO Honduras</p> <p>Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities and Session Moderators • Identification of concrete actions towards the integration of regional efforts • Presentation of Forum Report and Future Actions • Closing Remarks