



Collaborative Workshop between the Commonwealth Secretariat and the Caribbean Telecommunications Union

Effective Legal Frameworks for Building the Digital Economy

Barbados, 13–15 February 2023

The Commonwealth Connectivity Agenda (CCA) aims to promote trade and investment across the Commonwealth, and its Digital Connectivity Cluster focuses on digital transformation and the digital economy. In a similar fashion the Caribbean Telecommunications Union (CTU) promotes collaboration among all ICT stakeholders and serves as a key facilitator for the formulation of Caribbean ICT policy and best practices. In light of the growing importance of creating strong and resilient digital economies and the correlative need to create an adequate enabling environment through the creation of effective and cohesive legal frameworks, the CCA has partnered with the CTU in order to deliver a three-day training workshop in relation to the development of legal frameworks that support the digital economy within the Caribbean region.

Speakers, Monday 13 February

Mark Wensley Digital Advisor, UN Capital Development Fund

Helen Gradstein Regional Digital Finance Specialist , UN Capital Development Fund

Vashti Maharaj Adviser, Digital Trade Policy, CCA

Regan Asgarali Controller of Intellectual Property, IPO, Trinidad and Tobago

Speakers, Tuesday 14 February

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Chris Southworth Secretary General of the International Chamber of Commerce, UK

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