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World Bank ICT initiatives in the Caribbean

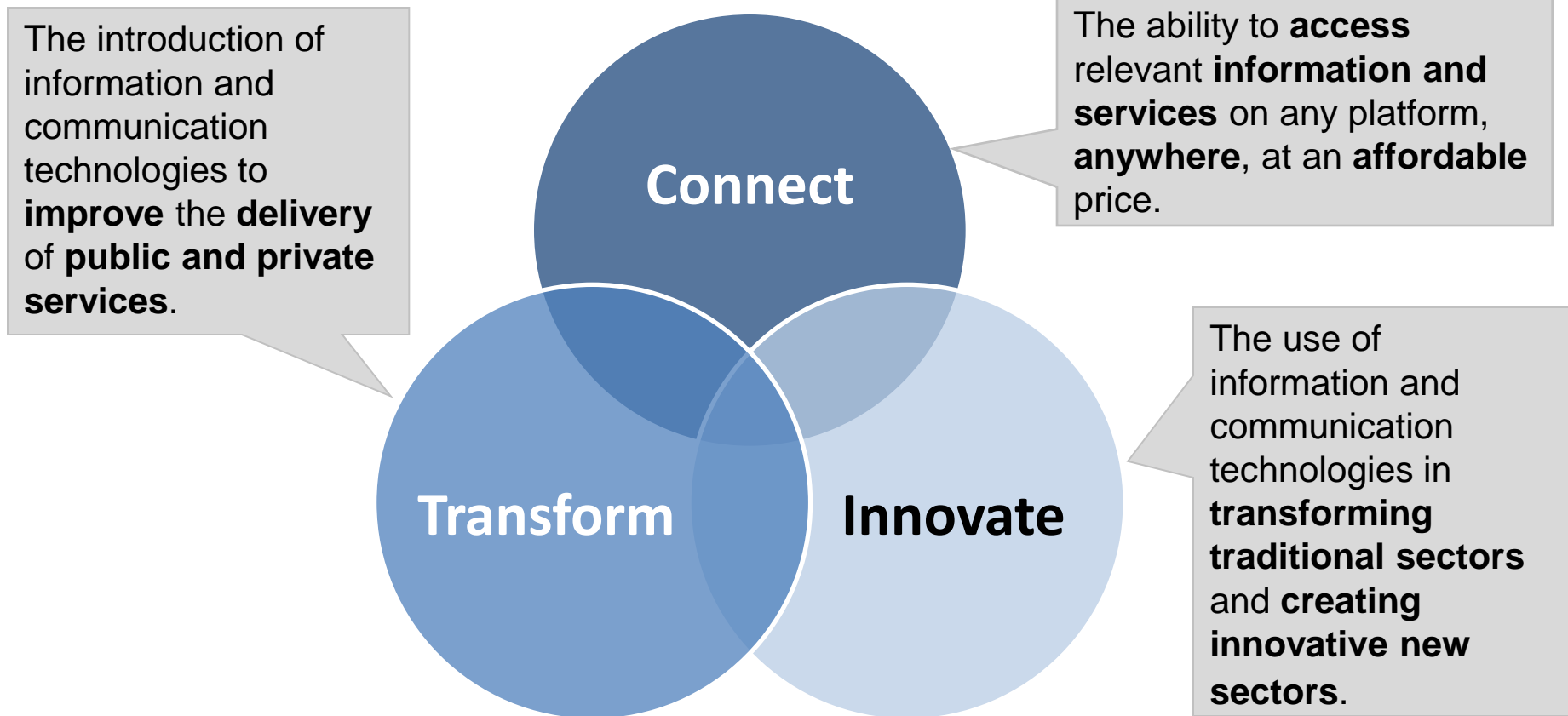
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- New World Bank ICT Strategy
- World Bank ICT project portfolio
- Upcoming new ICT projects



World Bank ICT initiatives in the Caribbean at a glance

Country	Project	Amount	Status
OECS	Telecom & ICT Development	\$2.4 m	Impl.
OECS	E-Government for Regional Integration (APL) - EGRIP	\$9.6 m	Impl.
Caribbean	Caribbean Knowledge and Learning Network (EU-funded Trust Fund) - CKLN	€10 m	Impl.
Caribbean	Caribbean Regional Communications Infrastructure Program (APL) - CARCIP	\$18 m	Prep.
Caribbean	Support for Economic Management in the Caribbean (CIDA-funded TF) - SEMCAR	C\$ 19.2 m	Transition to impl.
Caribbean	Entrepreneurship Program for Innovation in the Caribbean (CIDA-funded TF) - EPIC	C\$20 m	Prep.

OECS E-Government for Regional Integration Program (EGRIP)

- Objective: promote the efficiency, quality, and transparency of public services through the delivery of regionally integrated e-government applications that take advantage of economies of scale.
- Scope: 4 countries: Dominica, Grenada, St. Lucia and St. Vincent and the Grenadines
- Components:
 - Strategy, policies, laws, regulations, standards, and common databases (eg. Identification systems), regional institutional framework
 - Public finance (budget, tax and customs, procurement) and health applications
 - Future expansion to tourism, agriculture, and education

Support for Economic Management in the Caribbean (SEMCAR)

- Objective: improve economic management, regional integration and competitiveness in target countries through more efficient, effective and accountable public institutions, policies, processes and ICT systems in RA and PFM areas.
- Scope: 12 countries: Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago
- Components:
 - enhanced regional tax administration and linked ICT systems
 - enhanced regional customs management and linked ICT systems
 - enhanced regional public financial management and linked ICT systems
 - establishment of a regional training and ICT support center

Caribbean Regional Communications Infrastructure Program (CARCIP)

- Objective: increase the availability, demand and development impact of the regional ICT infrastructure, services, and firms, as a pillar of regional integration and creation of a modern information society.
- Scope: 14 eligible countries: Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago
- Components:
 - **Regional Connectivity Infrastructure**: national and cross-border fiber backbone networks, government virtual private networks, etc.
 - **ICT-led innovation**: business incubators, IT industry certification programs, Venture Capital Funds
 - **Regional E-Transformation**: “cloud computing” and e-security infrastructure, e-services and mobile applications, etc.



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