

Salutations

Ministers of ECTEL Chairman and board members

It is indeed a pleasure and honour to be here for this august event especially given the history ECTEL and OCCUR share.

It was thirteen years ago that OCCUR came into existence with the signing of a treaty at Laughing Waters in St. Ann Jamaica and ECTEL was one of the founding regulatory authorities.

Over the years ECTEL has undertaken ground breaking research and organised training events that has ensured that the Eastern Caribbean and it's stakeholders keep abreast of developments in telecommunications and the regulatory environment .

ECTEL serves as a beacon in the region a standard bearer and most importantly a sterling example of what inter island cooperation can yield.

OCCUR looks forward to continued collaboration in research and training with a view to maintaining and lifting the region's quality of regulatory decisions.

Together we will simultaneously enhance the expertise of staff across the region.

But today the spotlight justly shines on an organisation that has unstintingly given to its members and the wider Caribbean.

Embert Charles and his team .can look around and be proud of the relationships established as evidenced by the stakeholders present.

We wish you another fifteen years of excellence and many more decades of outstanding service to the region.