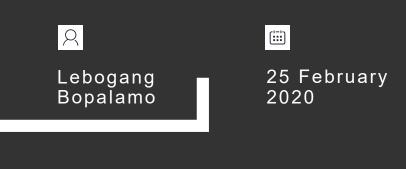


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## independence

no undue influence from licensees, politicians or any other party

> sector-specific vs competition at what stage does competition regulation become pre-eminent

# licensing

authorisation, licensing, auctions conducted in a fair, open and transparent manner

spectrum management effective manegement, allocation and auctioning of spectrum in line with pre-determined spectrum

plan

#### universal access

accessibility of services for all who require them

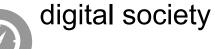
#### interconnection

fair, open and transparent mechanisms for operators to connect to each other



#### access

open Internet broadband networks as essential facilities universal access

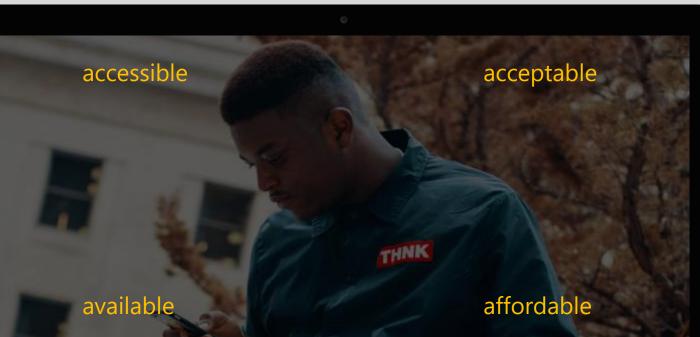


inclusive development access to services and content e-government open data policy legislative inconsistencies fintech cybersecurity intellectual property a digital future e-gov services government support



# market structure

effectiveness of competition relevant markets significant market power less sector-specific regulation mergers and acquisitions infrastructure sharing



regulatory themes:

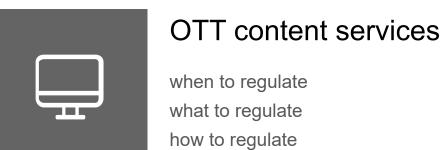
- market failure
- less sector focus
- spectrum use
- technology neutrality
- investment and VC

regulatory review:

- television licence categories
- community broadcasting
- limits on number of radio licences
- ICASA vs FPB for regulation of online content



# a series of minefields...



# data use and protection

consumer protection across industries access to data for commercial and citizen use open banking, health records, etc.

# digital taxation

cross-border services tax jurisdiction profit declaration





# technology evolution

artifial intelligence robotics e-mobility













### Where the value lies

The value in the communications industry no longer lies in the networks, it now lies in content and services

# All are younger than MultiChoice

All except Apple are younger than MultiChoice, but even Apple in its current form is younger

#### The key is enablement

Regulation, skills development, tax regime and funding must be merit-based and enabling



# THANKS

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