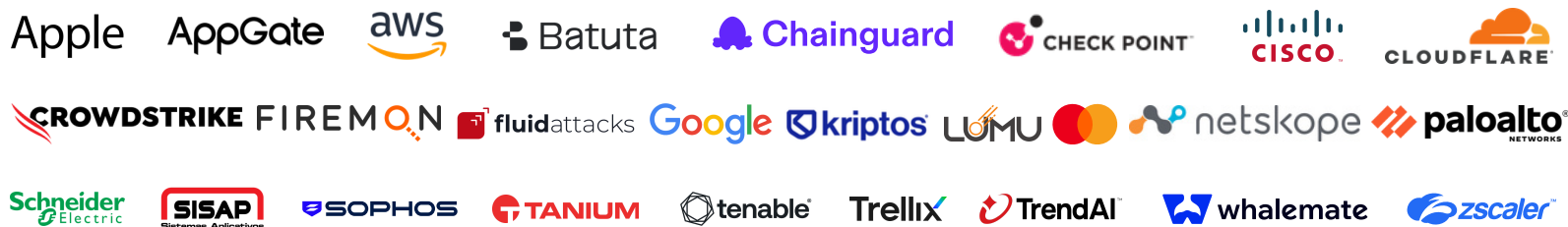




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GOVERNMENT PRESENTS ICT PLAN 2026-2030: AI AND CYBERSECURITY AMONG THE PRIORITIES - COLOMBIA

El País (Cali) – At the ANDICOM2026 congress in Cartagena, the Minister of Information and Communications Technologies (ICT), Alexandra Falla Zerrate, presented the ICT Plan 2026-2030, a roadmap that aims to transform Colombia into a technological hub for the Americas. The proposal seeks to move beyond a focus solely on connectivity to foster talent, artificial intelligence, innovation, and regional competitiveness. The plan is structured around five missions: connecting the country, developing AI talent, promoting data-driven production, transforming the government through GovTech and public AI, and protecting Colombia through cybersecurity, sovereignty, and digital trust.

BEYOND THE TOWERS, THE CRC IS PREPARING COLOMBIA TO INTEGRATE SATELLITES AND MOBILE NETWORKS

The Communications Regulatory Commission (CRC) has published the first two documents of the study “Prospective Analysis of Non-Terrestrial Networks,” which assesses how satellites and other aerial platforms could complement mobile networks in rural areas, improve emergency response, and enable direct cell phone connectivity by 2035. The study identifies five key factors: expanded coverage, quality and user protection, availability of compatible devices, efficient spectrum use, and new competition models. The CRC is holding an open consultation until October 2, 2026, to gather input from operators, academia, and satellite providers.

MEXICO AND SPAIN STRENGTHEN DIGITAL COOPERATION

Diario.mx - Spain's Minister for Digital Transformation and Public Administration, Óscar López, began a three-day official visit to Mexico to strengthen bilateral cooperation in digitalization, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and connectivity. The agenda included meetings with Mexican government officials, among them the Secretary of Anti-Corruption and Good Governance, Raquel Buenrostro, and the Secretary of Science, Humanities, Technology, and Innovation, Rosaura Ruiz, as well as visits to Mexican and Spanish technology companies. The trip aims to open new avenues for technological collaboration between the two countries.

MARCELO EBRARD PROMOTES THE DEVELOPMENT OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN MEXICO DURING THE G20 MEETING IN NORTH CAROLINA

gob.mx - Economy Secretary Marcelo Ebrard presented Mexico's vision for accelerating the development and adoption of artificial intelligence during the G20 Innovation Ministers' meeting in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Ebrard met with Jensen Huang of Nvidia, Sam Altman of OpenAI, and Tom Brown, co-founder of Anthropic, and agreed with Huang to organize a visit to Mexico to advance the deployment of AI capabilities in the country. The official also met with U.S. Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick and European Commission Executive Vice-President for Technological Sovereignty Henna Virkkunen, with whom he agreed to promote a joint innovation agenda between Mexico and the European Union.

GUATEMALA AND THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN) EXPAND COOPERATION IN CYBERSECURITY

Diario de Centro América – A group of Guatemalan researchers completed a training program in information security and cybercrime prevention in Taiwan, organized by the Bureau of Investigation of the Taiwanese Ministry of Justice. The program aimed to strengthen the country's capabilities in combating transnational crime and cybercrime. The event was attended by the Minister of the Interior, Marco Antonio Villeda, and representatives from the Guatemalan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Taiwanese government. During the training, participants enhanced their knowledge of cybercrime investigation and digital forensics, and learned about Taiwan's experience in digital evidence and combating cybercrime.

PANAMA STRENGTHENS CYBER DEFENSES TO PROTECT CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

DPL News – Panama continues to strengthen its capacity to protect the digital systems that support government operations and the country's critical infrastructure. As part of this effort, it launched its State Cybersecurity Operations Center, designed to continuously monitor government networks, improve incident response times, and bolster protection against increasingly sophisticated threats.

DIGITAL SOVEREIGNTY DEMANDS CONTROL OVER DATA AND OPERATIONS, POINTS OUT DEBATE AT CONIP JUD - BRAZIL

Serpro - During the CONIP Judiciary & Control 2026 event in Brasília, Serpro manager Carlos Hill discussed how jurisdiction, infrastructure, security, and governance determine the degree of autonomy the State has over strategic information. According to Hill, digital sovereignty is, ultimately, decision-making capacity: the State needs to be able to define how its strategic assets will be protected, operated, and used, without depending on technological or legal decisions made outside its domain. He presented the Brazil Data Cloud as a multi-cloud architecture that allows different degrees of control according to the criticality of each data point, and highlighted that the Judiciary already figures among Serpro's largest portfolios in the contracting of cloud services.

THE INVISIBLE ENGINE OF GDP: REPORT QUANTIFIES THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE DIGITAL ECONOMY TO THE REGION

TeleSemana.com - A report prepared by Telecom Advisory Services and Dig.ia-LAC quantified the economic contribution of digital content, services, and application (CAP) platforms to five Latin American economies: Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, and Peru. According to the study, this ecosystem represented between 12.6% and 15.1% of these countries' GDP in 2025, with a total contribution of US\$483.451 billion and infrastructure investment—submarine cables and data centers—that already exceeds US\$3.866 billion, with another US\$17.5 billion projected for the future. The report also seeks to dispel the myth that these platforms use telecommunications networks for free and proposes proportionate tax frameworks and less bureaucracy for the deployment of digital infrastructure.

GOOGLE INTRODUCES GEMINI 3.8 FLASH AND 3.8 FLASH CYBER, ITS FAST AI MODELS FOR ADVANCED PROGRAMMING AND CYBERSECURITY

Infobae - Google unveiled Gemini 3.8 Flash and Gemini 3.8 Flash Cyber, its new, fast, and low-cost AI models designed for autonomous workflows and the automatic detection and remediation of vulnerabilities. The company claims they match the performance of more expensive models, and that Gemini 3.8 Flash Cyber detected a critical vulnerability in Google Cloud in less than two hours.

ATTACKERS EXPOSE ONGOING AI TOOL USE TARGETING ORGANIZATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA

Unit 42 - Palo Alto Networks identified two ongoing campaigns targeting organizations across Latin America in which attackers used commercial AI models to strengthen their operations. One hit a Mexican transportation company and government agencies in Mexico and Ecuador; the other targeted Brazil's financial sector via job-themed phishing. In both cases, exposed staging servers revealed unsecured AI interfaces, giving researchers a clear view into the attackers' infrastructure.

OPERATIONALIZING AI SOVEREIGNTY THROUGH AGENCY, INTEROPERABILITY, AND OPENNESS

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace - This essay argues that AI sovereignty should be treated not as full technological self-sufficiency, unrealistic given how concentrated compute and talent are in a few countries, but as a strategic capacity built on three pillars: agency, interoperability and openness. Drawing on the KASE framework from Brazil's CyberBRICS project, the author proposes industrial policy, interoperability-focused regulation and cooperative digital sovereignty as a path to meaningful leverage in the global AI value chain.