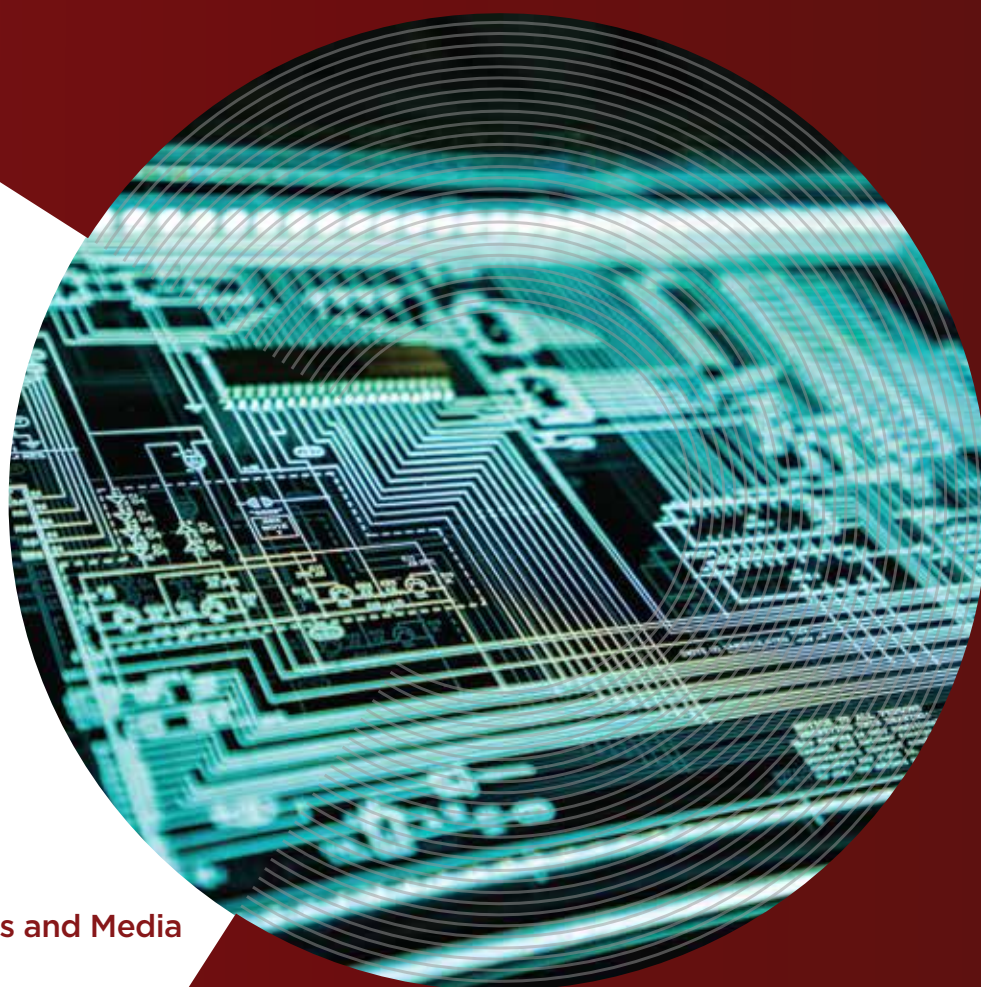


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## NATURE, DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

Presidential Decree No. 9/2025 of February 6 defines the nature, duties and powers of the Ministry of Communications and Digital Transformation (MCTD), created by Presidential Decree No. 01/2025 of January 16.

The Ministry of Communications and Digital Transformation is defined as a central body of the state apparatus that controls, monitors and evaluates the implementation of public policies in the field of communications, science and innovation, information and communication technologies and meteorology.

The Decree highlights the following powers granted to the Ministry of Communications and Digital Transformation:

- i.** To Design, implement and evaluate strategies and policies aimed at the accelerated and articulated development of electronic telecommunications markets, promoting private initiative;
- ii.** To Coordinate on the regulation of activities in the area of communications, information and communications technologies, digital transition and transformation;
- iii.** Developing and implementing strategies in the field of artificial intelligence;
- iv.** Promote public policies that favor the development of e-commerce and e-payment, as well as their integration with major global platforms; and
- v.** Inspecting communication, technological development and innovation activities in the field of information and communication technology.

The Decree also states that in order to carry out its duties, the Ministry of Communications and Digital Transformation has powers (i) in the area of communications, (ii) in the area of information and communication technologies, (iii) in the area of digital transformation and innovation and (iv) in the area of meteorology.

This Decree repeals Presidential Decrees No. 01/2017, of July 10, which defines the duties and powers of the Ministries of Transport and Communications, and No. 40/2020, of December 28, which defines the powers of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education.



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