



CHILEAN AND FINNISH GOVERNMENTS SIGN AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL COOPERATION IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- The document contemplates the collaboration of both nations in terms of connectivity, including critical communications and digital services.
- The covenant will be valid for three years and aims to encourage investments and the technological partnership between both countries.

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The Ministry of Transport and Telecommunications of Chile and the Ministry of Transport and Communications of Finland signed a cooperation agreement on connectivity and digitalization in telecommunications.

The document indicates that both countries aim to promote the development of connectivity and digitalization areas in addition to supporting the expansion of national, regional and international markets for their products, services and technologies. Also the initiative recognizes the mutual interest of these countries in encouraging and supporting partnerships, cooperation in investments, commercial businesses, research and development.

In this line, Chile and Finland defined two areas of common interest for the implementation of this agreement: connectivity, including critical communications and digital services. Otherwise, the following areas of cooperation between the two countries were identified: incentivize investment and technology associations; accelerate commercial and industrial exchanges; promote business associations and; promote joint ventures between companies in Finland and Chile, driving the exchange of regulations and regulatory information, among others.

The aforementioned ministries of Chile and Finland pointed out that this agreement, which will have a duration of three extendable years, considers that the development of connectivity and digitalization are key elements for the economic, social and cultural development of the countries as well as for the promotion of trade and technical exchanges between them.



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The Minister of Transport and Telecommunications of Chile, Gloria Hutt, said that "in order to address the different challenges that the new digital era proposes we must learn from the experiences of other markets, which through their knowledge can contribute to the sector of national telecommunications continue to grow and consolidate its leadership in Latin America".

For its part the Vice-Minister of Telecommunications, Pamela Gidi, said that "if Chile wants to take a step towards the digital revolution, it has to enhance the entire telecommunications ecosystem so that both sectors and citizens can benefit in a real way of new technologies. In this sense, this agreement with the government of Finland fulfills this objective, because it allows us to draw on the experience of that country that is a world leader in our sector, especially in regard to future networks such as the 5G".

While the Minister of Transport and Communications of Finland, Anne Berner, said that "Finland has already granted its own 5G license in 3.5 GHz band and is looking forward to a rapid introduction of this new technology. In this way and considering the MOU signed with Chile we are very honored to be able to work together and benefit both countries".

