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Telecommunications Management Group, Inc. (TMG) is pleased to announce that it has been selected by the Ministry of Communications of Colombia and the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) to provide technical assistance for the Telecommunications Capacity Building Project in Colombia.

This project, which is funded by a USTDA grant to the Ministry of Communications of Colombia, is focused on further enhancing competition in Colombia's telecommunications market, as well as promoting the adoption of new information and communication technologies.

TMG's objectives are to assist the Ministry with its initiatives to improve the liberalization of the Colombian telecommunications market and customer service, focusing on certain priority areas such as long distance licensing, local loop unbundling, convergence, spectrum allocation and the utilization of emerging technologies to expand telephony service and Internet access. TMG's team of senior telecommunications experts will use their extensive experience and global perspectives to support the Ministry's initiatives, assessing competition in the Colombian telecommunications sector, evaluating the effectiveness of the existing licensing framework, proposing options and alternatives for a new policy and regulatory framework, and conducting an in-country forum to explore new technology solutions and regulatory strategies. Over the course of the project, TMG will hold in-country meetings with Ministry officials and other stakeholders and develop a series of interim reports before delivering a final report and presentation to the Ministry and USTDA. For this project, TMG is partnering with Devis Granados & Abogados Asociados, a Colombian law firm.

## **About TMG**

Telecommunications Management Group, Inc. (TMG), [www.tmgtelecom.com](http://www.tmgtelecom.com), is a premier consulting firm dedicated to advising clients on telecommunications and information technology matters. Comprised of an experienced team of attorneys, economists, market analysts, engineers and financial experts with an in-depth knowledge of the ICT industry, TMG provides strategic, managerial, regulatory and technical advice to telecommunications entities, governments and international agencies.

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