IMPLEMENTATION OF MEDIA STREAMING WITH IBM CLOUD VIDEO STREAMING

To implement media streaming with IBM Cloud Video Streaming, you'll need to follow a series of steps, including setting up an IBM Cloud account, creating a video streaming channel, configuring broadcasting software, and finally, streaming your media content. Here's a detailed guide to help you through the process:

Step 1: Create an IBM Cloud Account

- 1. Sign Up for an IBM Cloud Account:
 - Go to the IBM Cloud website: (https://cloud.ibm.com/).
 - Click on the "Sign Up" button and follow the registration process.
 - Provide necessary information and verify your email address.

2. Login to IBM Cloud:

- After successful registration, log in to your IBM Cloud account.

Step 2: Set Up Video Streaming Service

- 1. Navigate to the Video Streaming Dashboard:
 - Once you're logged in, go to the IBM Cloud Dashboard.
- 2. Create a Video Streaming Channel:
 - In the IBM Cloud Dashboard, click on "Create Resource" or "Create" from the navigation menu.
- 3. Search for Video Streaming Service:
 - In the search bar, type "video streaming" and select the service from the list.

4. Create a Channel:

- Click on the "Create" button to set up a new video streaming channel.
- 5. Configure the Channel:
 - Provide a unique name for your channel.
 - Choose the appropriate pricing plan (Lite plan is often available for free with limited features).
 - Click "Create" to finish setting up the channel.

Step 3: Configure Broadcasting Software

- 1. Select Broadcasting Software:
 - Choose a broadcasting software that is compatible with IBM Cloud Video Streaming. OBS (Open Broadcaster Software) is a popular choice.
- 2. Install and Configure OBS:
 - Download and install OBS from their official website: https://obsproject.com/.
 - Open OBS and go to "Settings".
- 3. Configure Stream Settings:
 - In OBS, go to "Settings" > "Stream".
 - Select "IBM Cloud Video" as the streaming service.
 - Copy the "Server URL" and "Stream Key" from your IBM Cloud Video channel and paste them into OBS.
- 4. Set up Audio and Video Sources:
 - Add your desired audio and video sources (e.g., camera, microphone, screen capture) in OBS.

Step 4: Start Streaming

- 1. Start Broadcasting:
 - In OBS, click on "Start Streaming". OBS will now start sending your content to IBM Cloud Video.
- 2. Monitor the Stream:
 - Go back to your IBM Cloud Video channel dashboard and you should see the stream status. If everything is set up correctly, it will show that you're live.
- 3. View Your Stream:
 - Click on the play button in your channel dashboard to view your live stream.

Step 5: End the Stream

- 1. Stop Broadcasting:
 - In OBS, click on "Stop Streaming" when you're done.
- 2. Monitor the Stream Status:
 - In your IBM Cloud Video channel dashboard, you should see that the stream has ended.

Additional Tips:

- Test Your Setup: Before going live, it's crucial to conduct a few test streams to ensure everything is working as expected.
- Promote Your Stream: Share your streaming link with your audience to let them know when you're going live.
- Review Analytics: IBM Cloud Video often provides analytics on viewer engagement, which can be useful for future streams.