COMPETITION PROVISIONS IN REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Agenda

08.30 Registration
09.00 Opening statements

Keynote speech

09.40 Tea/Coffee

Session I: Competition Issues in Southern and East Africa
Moderator: Trudi Hartzenberg | tralac

10.00 Promoting Development through Competition Law and Policy at a Regional Level: Stocktaking of the UNCTAD/IDRC Project

10.20 The Motivation for Regionalism in Southern and East Africa

10.40 Infant Industry Protection in SACU: The Namibian UHT Milk Industry

11.00 Tea/Coffee

11.20 Anticompetitive Practices in South Africa: Possible Consequences for Southern and East Africa

11.40 Merger Approvals in Africa: A Practitioner’s Experience

12.00 General Discussion
12.30 Lunch
Session II: Regional Approaches to Competition Law and Policy
Moderator: Kim Kampel | ITED, South African Department of Trade and Industry

14.00 Competition Provisions in RTAs: Assuring Development Outcomes through Cooperation, Research and Assistance
- Ana Maria Alvarez | Competition and Consumer Policies Branch, UNCTAD
- Laurence Wilse-Samson | Competition and Consumer Policies Branch, UNCTAD

14.20 The Regional Competition Law Architecture relating to Southern and East Africa
- Robert Wilson | tralac

14.40 National Implications of Competition–Related Provisions in RTAs
- Özgür Kayal | University of Manchester and Yeditepe University

15.00 General Discussion

15.20 Tea/Coffee

Session III: The Development and Potential Social Impact of Competition Law and Policy
Moderator: David Vivas | ICTSD

15.40 Competition Law, Intellectual Property and Compulsory Licensing: Experience from Brazil
- Barbara Rosenberg | Getulio Vargas Foundation, Brazil

16.00 Sub-Saharan African regional groupings, TRIPs Flexibilities and Competition Law
- Jonathan Berger | AIDS Law Project

16.20 Exceptions and Exemptions in Competition Law
- Hunter Nottage | Associate Council Advisory Centre for World Trade Law

16.40 General Discussion

17.00 The Way Forward
- Ana Maria Alvarez | Competition and Consumer Policies Branch, UNCTAD
- Trudi Hartzenberg | tralac
- Robert Wilson | tralac

18.00 Cocktail