

*4<sup>th</sup> CUTS-CIRC Biennial Competition, Regulation & Development Conference  
&  
CREW Project Final Conference*

**Relevance of Competition & Regulatory Reforms in  
Pursuing Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in  
Developing Countries**

*12-13 December 2015*

*Tulipa Halls A & B, Eka Hotel, Nairobi (Kenya)*

**Agenda**

**Day One: 12<sup>th</sup> December 2015**

**0900 to 1000hrs: Inaugural Session**

- Pradeep S Mehta, Secretary General, CUTS International, India (**Chair**)
- Frederic Jenny, Chair, OECD Competition Policy Committee, France
- Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary General, UNCTAD, Switzerland
- Thomas Ratsakatika, DfID, UK

Vote of Thanks: Bipul Chatterjee, CUTS International

**1000 to 1030hrs: Tea/Coffee Break (& Group Photo)**

**1030 to 1300hrs (Session I): Government Policy promoting  
Competition, Innovation & Jobs**

**Role of Government in promoting sustainable economic growth through competition reforms (exploring how competition can help promote healthy markets, create employment, promotes innovation and industrialisation)**

**Chair: Martha Martinez Licetti, World Bank Group, USA**

- Impact of Choice and Competition Reforms on Secondary Schools in Nigeria: **Afolayan Gbenga Emmanuel, Murdoch University, Australia**
- Making Competition Policy Work in Mexico: **Umut Aydin, Universidad Catolica de Chile**

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- Competition Law and Sustainable Development in China: **Wendy Ng, University of Adelaide, Australia**
- Pursuing Pro-competitive Policies in States - Experience from India: **Rijit Sengupta, CUTS International, India**

**Discussants (7 mins each)**

- Eleanor Fox, New York University, USA
- Francis W Kariuki, Competition Authority of Kenya
- Owen Gabbitas, Productivity Commission, Australia

**Floor Discussions (45 mins)**

## 1300 to 1430hrs: LUNCH BREAK

### 1430 to 1715hrs (Session II): Competition for Inclusive Economic Growth

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How can competition reforms in developing and least developed countries be designed to better contribute to inclusive economic growth, especially by creating greater scope for Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) in the economy?

**Chair: Mia Mikic, UN Economic & Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), Thailand**

- The Theory of Competition and ‘the Development State’ in Africa: A Case Study of Kenya and South Africa: **Paul Kinyua, Stellenbosch University, South Africa**
- Promoting Competition and Innovation: **Vivek Ghosal, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA**
- Implications of Pro-competitive Reforms in the Zambian Maize Sector on Small Scale Farmers: **Cornelius Dube, CUTS International**

## 1530 to 1545hrs: TEA/COFFEE BREAK

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## 1545 to 1715hrs (Session II contd.)

**Chair: Mia Mikic, UN Economic & Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), Thailand**

### Discussants (7 mins each)

- David Ong'olo, Embassy of The Netherlands, Kenya
- Joe Tackie, Private Sector Development Strategy, Ghana
- Adanma Abalunam, Adam Smith International, UK
- Chilufya Sampa, Competition & Consumer Protection Commission, Zambia

### Floor Discussions (45 mins)

## 1800hrs onwards

**Delegates Dinner at Carnivore Restaurant (<https://www.tamarind.co.ke/carnivore/>)**

*[Buses will depart from Eka Hotel at 1800hrs and expected to return at 2200hrs, Dress Code: Smart Casual]*

## Day Two: 13<sup>th</sup> December 2015

## 0900 to 1130hrs (Session III): Competition Reforms as a Tool for Public Welfare

**Keynote Speech: Hon'ble Ekwow Spio-Garbrah, Minister of Trade & Industry, Government of Ghana**

**Competition reforms as a component of sectoral/economic reforms to enable DC consumers and producers derive benefits from key sectors**

**Chair: Dupe C Atoki, Consumer Protection Council, Nigeria**

- Regulations and Private Sector Development in the Grain Market Operations of India: **Surajit Deb, University of Delhi, India**
- Role of Government in Promoting Sustainable Economic Growth through Competition Reforms: **Frederick Ringo, Fair Competition Commission, Tanzania**
- Two-sided Market and their Impact on Economy: **Vardharajan Sridhar, International Institute of Information Technology Bangalore, India**
- Pro-competitive Reforms in Ghana's Transport Sector and Implications on Operators and Users: **Paulina Agyekum, Ablin Consult, Ghana**

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**Discussants (7 mins each)**

- John Davies, OECD, France
- Anthony Abad, TradeAdvisors, The Philippines
- George Lipimile, COMESA Competition Commission, Malawi

**Floor Discussions (45 mins)****1130 to 1145hrs: Tea/Coffee Break****1145 to 1315hrs (Roundtable Discussion): Shaping Competition Policy for Achieving SDGs****Shaping the agenda for promoting Competition and Regulatory Reforms in the post-2015 Regime (Sustainable Development Goals)**

**Chair: Frederic Jenny, OECD Competition Policy Committee, France**

**Presentation: Pradeep S Mehta, CUTS International, India**

**Panellists (7mins each):**

- Kwame Owino, Institute of Economic Affairs, Kenya
- Ratnakar Adhikari, Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF) Secretariat, Switzerland
- Lynn Robertson, OECD Secretariat, France
- Babajide Sodipo, African Union Commission, Ethiopia
- Thulasoni Kaira, Competition Authority, Botswana
- Kofi Amenyah, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Ghana

**Q&A (20 mins)****1315 to 1445hrs: LUNCH**

**1315 to 1335hrs: Brief presentation at Lunch on Framework for Competition Reforms,**  
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## 1445 to 1715hrs (Session IV): Trade, Regional integration & Competition Reforms

Infusing competition and promoting regulatory reforms to make trade agreements and regional integration impactful in developing countries

**Chair: Eleanor Fox, New York University, USA**

- Facilitating equitable regional integration through competition policy and regulatory reforms: **Clayton Hazvinei Vhumbunu, Southern African Research & Documentation Centre, Zimbabwe**
- Broadening the discourse on Regional Trade Agreements and Competition Rules, Compliance and Performance in Developing Countries: **Derek Ireland, Carleton University, Canada**
- Implications of trade policy on domestic competition and consumer welfare in The Philippine's rice market, **Roehlano M Briones, Philippine Institute for Development Studies, The Philippines**

### 1545 to 1600hrs: Tea/Coffee Break

### 1600 to 1715hrs (Session IV contd.)

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#### Discussants (7 mins each)

- Robert Anderson, World Trade Organisation, Switzerland
- Sara Nyman, World Bank, USA
- Bipul Chatterjee, CUTS International, India

#### Floor Discussions (45 mins)

### 1715 to 1800hrs: Concluding Session

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#### Rapporteurs' Report

- Anthony Abad, TradeAdvisors, The Philippines
- Chenai Mukumba, CUTS International, India

#### Closing Remarks

- Pradeep S Mehta, CUTS International, India
- Frederic Jenny, Chair, OECD Competition Policy Committee, France
- Tania Begazo Gomez, World Bank Group, USA
- Eiko Kauffman, GIZ, Germany

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