Constituency Building for Competition Reforms in West Africa

FINAL PROJECT CONFERENCE

Strengthening Constituencies for Effective Competition Regimes in Select West African Countries (7Up4 project)

6-7 August 2010
Hotel Novotel, Dakar, Senegal

CRES, Senegal
&
CUTS, India
Day I: Friday, 6th August 2010

0800 – 0830: Registration

0830 – 0900: Opening Session
- Pradeep S Mehta, CUTS India
- Amadou Niang, Hon’ble Minister of Commerce, Government of Senegal
- Abdoulaye Diagne, CRES Senegal

0900 – 1100: First Session
Relevance of Competition Reforms for Development in Africa

Speakers (15 mins each)
- Eleanor Fox, New York University, USA
- Dave Lewis, Gordon Institute of Business Science, South Africa
- R Shyam Khemani, MICRA, USA
- Peter Muchoki Njoroge, COMESA Competition Commission, Kenya

Floor Discussion

Chair: Pradeep S Mehta, CUTS, India
Co-Chair: Amadou C. Kanoute, CICODEV, Senegal

1100 – 1130: Tea Break

1130 – 1330: Second Session
Challenges for Competition Reforms in Africa – way forward

Speaker (20 mins)
- Priority issues and challenges for competition reforms in 7Up4 countries
  Lahcen Achy, Research Adviser (7Up4 project), Morocco

Panellists (10 mins each)
- Philippe Brusick, Project Adviser (7Up4 project), Switzerland
- Susan Jockes, International Development Research Centre, Egypt
- Leonard Ugbajah, University of Enugu, Nigeria
- Chilufya Sampa, Zambia Competition Commission

Floor Discussion

Chair: Peter M Njoroge, COMESA Competition Commission, Kenya
Co-Chair: Amadou Dieng, WAEMU Secretariat, Burkina Faso

1330 – 1430: Lunch Break

1430 – 1630: Third Session
Competition concerns in key sectors and welfare impacts – experience from Africa
Speaker (20 mins)
- *Competition issues in agriculture sector in 7Up4 countries and impacts*
  Rijit Sengupta, CUTS

Panellists (10 mins each)
- Taladidia Thiombiano, CEDRES, Burkina Faso
- Kwame Owino, IEA, Kenya

Floor Discussions

Chair: R Shyam Khemani, MICRA, USA

1630 – 1645: Tea Break

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**7Up4 REVIEW MEETING**¹

1700 to 1710: Overview of the meeting
*Pradeep S Mehta, CUTS, India*

1710 to 1730: Tracing Outcomes from the Project
*Peter D’Souza, DFID, UK*

1730 to 1800: Emerging Lessons/Messages for Competition Reforms
*Philippe Brusick, Project Adviser (7Up4 project), Switzerland*
*Lahcen Achy, Research Adviser (7Up4 project), Morocco*

1800 to 1820: Future Course of action in countries/region
*Rijit Sengupta, Project Coordinator, CUTS*

1820 to 1900: Floor Discussion

1930 onwards: RECEPTION AND DINNER

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¹ This is a meeting only meant for the 7Up4 project partners, CUTS project team and project advisers. The rest of the participants would not be required to participate
Day II: Saturday, 7th August 2010

0900 – 1100hrs: Fourth Session
*Harmonising national and regional competition enforcement*

Speakers (15 mins each)
- Amadou Dieng, WAEMU Secretariat, Burkina Faso
- Seydou Sacko, ECOWAS Secretariat, Nigeria
- Yves Kenfack, UNCTAD, Switzerland

Floor Discussions

Chair: Dave Lewis, Gordon Institute of Business Science, South Africa
Co-Chair: Love Mtesa, CUTS, Lusaka

1100 – 1115: Tea Break

1115 - 1330: Fifth Session
*Outcomes and Impact of 7Up4 project*

Speakers (15 mins each)
- Noel Thiombiano, CEDRES, Burkina Faso
- Omar Jobe, Pro-PAG, The Gambia
- Oumar Idriss Berthe, DNCC, Mali
- Adedeji Babatunde Abiodun, CEON, Nigeria
- Alioune Niang, CRES, Senegal
- Aladjou Agouta, ATC, Togo

Moderator: Peter D’Souza, DfID, UK

1330 – 1500: Lunch Break

1500 – 1600: Closing and Way Forward
- Pradeep S Mehta, CUTS, India
- Abdoulaye Diagne, CRES, Senegal
- Philippe Brusick, Project Adviser (7Up4), Switzerland
- Peter D’Souza, DfID, UK
- Elias Ayuk, IDRC, Senegal

1600: Tea

1630 ONWARDS: **EXCURSION TO GORÉE ISLAND** FOLLOWED BY DINNER AT **LE LAGON RESTAURANT**

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2 All participants are requested to be at the Lobby of the HOTEL NOVOTEL DAKAR at 1630hrs to leave for the excursion. Dinner would be at 2000hrs.