

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 Joekes, 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

7Up4 REVIEW MEETING¹

1700 to 1710:	Overview of the meeting <i>Pradeep S Mehta, CUTS, India</i>
1710 to 1730:	Tracing Outcomes from the Project <i>Peter D'Sonza, DFID, UK</i>
1730 to 1800:	Emerging Lessons/Messages for Competition Reforms <i>Philippe Brusick, Project Adviser (7Up4 project), Switzerland</i> <i>Lahcen Achy, Research Adviser (7Up4 project), Morocco</i>
1800 to 1820:	Future Course of action in countries/region <i>Rijit Sengupta, Project Coordinator, CUTS</i>
1820 to 1900:	Floor Discussion

1930 onwards: **RECEPTION AND DINNER**

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 ISLAND² FOLLOWED BY DINNER AT LE LAGON RESTAURANT

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**.