

The Key issues/Challenges for competition reforms in The Gambia

Issue/Challenge	Priority(P) or Non Priority (NP)	Strategies
TOP PRIORITY		
Perceived high level of lack of awareness of competition issues and regulations in Ghana. (Media, CSOs, Organised Labour, Ghana Employers Association, Parliament, Academia)	P1	
Three attempts made at preparing a Competition Bill to date but there is no Law yet.	P2	
Sector regulators also empowered to administer competition in their sectors and to deal with anti-competitive practices but not all are equipped with provisions for punishing such behaviour.	P3	
PRIORITIES		
Limited price competition in a number of sectors.	P4	
NON PRIORITIES		
Loaders in the informal sector have emerged who are too powerful in weight disputes as arbitrators due to absence of weight standards, getting high fees as commission.	NP	
Allegations of abuse of dominance, particularly in the cement industry in the form of excessive pricing.	NP	
Allegations of price-fixing in the beverage industry, where despite a large number of beer and soft-drink manufacturers, they all sell their products at virtually identical prices and seem to review these prices at the same time.	NP	