

# Competition Policy for an Inclusive and Resilient Economy

**CELEBRATING WORLD COMPETITION DAY 2021**

**06  
DECEMBER  
2021**

**15:30-18:45 IST  
11:00-14:15 CET**

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## Background

One of the important advocacy campaigns spearheaded by CUTS International since 2010 is the observance of the World Competition Day (WCD) on 5<sup>th</sup> December. We at CUTS, aim to ensure that consumers across the world realise the potential benefits from an effectively implemented competition regime, and also play their role in making competition regimes work worldwide. December 5<sup>th</sup> is the day when the United Nations (UN) Conference on Restrictive Business Practices approved the UN Set of Multilaterally Agreed Equitable Principles and Rules for the Control of Restrictive Business Practices in 1980. Motivated by the interest and support of many competition agencies and other stakeholders to the cause, the International Network of Civil Society Organisations on Competition (INCSOC) announced the first WCD on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

Celebrating WCD has become one of the focussed advocacy campaigns spearheaded by CUTS International and CUTS Institute for Regulation & Competition (CIRC). Given the above, CUTS and CIRC are organising a webinar to celebrate WCD 2021, on 6<sup>th</sup> December (as the next working day) on the theme - [Competition Policy for an Inclusive and Resilient Economy](#).

The event includes presentations of papers by various authors followed by discussion on them.

## AGENDA

- 15:30-15:35**      **Welcome Remarks**  
**Arvind Mayaram**, *Former Finance Secretary of India and Chairman, CUTS Institute for Regulation & Competition (CIRC)*
- 15:35-17:00**      **Session 1**
- (15:35-15:40) Opening remarks by the Chair**  
**Dhanendra Kumar**, *Former Chairman, Competition Commission of India*
- Paper Presenters**
- (15:40-15:55) Beena Saraswathy**, *Assistant Professor, Institute for Studies in Industrial Development, New Delhi*  
(Concentration of Economic Assets by Big Business Groups, Involvement in M&As and Competition: An Inquiry from India)
- (15:55-16:10) Jason Aproskie**, *Principal Economist, Competition Commission of South Africa*  
(The potential for a Broader Application of the Substantial Lessening of Competition (SLC) Standard)
- (16:10-16:25) Inonge Mulozi**, *Senior Research Analyst, Zambia Competition and Consumer Protection Commission*  
(The Role of Competition Law and Policy in Contributing to a Faster and More Sustained Economic Recovery While Ensuring that Competition is not Compromised)
- Discussants**
- (16:25-16:40) David Ong'olo**, *Former Chairman, Competition Authority of Kenya*
- (16:40-16:55) S. Chakravarthy**, *Former Member, MRTP Commission*
- (16:55-17:00) Sum-up by the Chair**

**17:00-17:15**

**Break**

**17:15-18:45**

**Session 2**

**(17:15-17:20) Opening remarks by the Chair**

**Geeta Gouri**, *Former Member, Competition Commission of India*

**Paper Presenters**

**(17:20-17:35) Amir Karalic**, *President, Competition Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina*

(Impacts of Changes within the Telecommunications Sector on Competition Policy in Bosnia and Herzegovina)

**(17:35-17:50) Serdar Dalkir**, *President and CEO, Competition & Regulation Economies Testimony and Consulting, LLC (CRETIC)*

(Supply-Chain Antitrust and Being Too Big in the Context of AT&T's 1984 Breakup)

**(17:50-18:05) Vijaya Iswara**, *Founder of a Boutique Advisory & Consulting Practice in Maritime Shipping, Global Trade Sector*

(E-commerce as a Vehicle for Inclusive Global Economy)

**Discussants**

**(18:05-18:20) Valerie Mueller**, *Principal Economist for Competition, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development*

**(18:20-18:35) Derek Ritzmann**, *Director, Economics Partners*

**(18:35-18:40) Sum-up by the Chair**

**18:40-18:45**

**Vote of Thanks**

**Pradeep S Mehta**, *Secretary General, CUTS International*