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# Tripartite Voluntary Peer Review of Competition Law and Policy United Republic of Tanzania Zambia and Zimbabwe







Proposal for Technical Assistance and Capacity Building



#### **Technical Assistance Proposed:**

- Revision of national competition laws and preparation of relevant competition regulations, where needed
- Building institutional capacities to improve competition law enforcement
- Organizing joint training activities for the staff of the three competition authorities as well as the judiciary, with a view to strengthening cooperation and exchange of experience amongst the three countries
- Increasing awareness among all the stakeholders on the benefits of competition law and policy in the three countries as well as at the regional level

#### Objectives of TA at national level

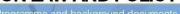
- To improve legal and institutional frameworks for competition law enforcement in areas pointed out by the national peer review reports
- To sensitize all the stakeholders, including the business community and sector regulators, on the importance and benefits of competition and to assist member states in developing appropriate tools for cooperation



#### Objectives of TA at regional level

- To promote and facilitate cooperation between Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe by using existing regional initiatives in handling cross-border anti-competitive cases
- To promote cooperation between national and regional institutions responsible for competition law and policy implementation
- To strengthen institutional and technical capacity for effective competition law enforcement in Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe







### Recommendations at the national level: Tanzania

- Review and improvement of the FCC Procedural Rules
- Development of a Code of Conduct for the members of the Fair Competition Tribunal (FTC)
- Training for investigators and case handlers
- Negotiate protocols with the police and other institutions to increase the resource base for conducting down-raids
- Conduct mock dawn-raids in order to train the personnel





#### Recommendations at the national level: Zambia

- Review and improve the competition law of Zambia
- Draft consumer guidelines and regulations
- Draft guidelines and regulations for mergers and anticompetitive practices
- Negotiate protocols with the police and other institutions to increase the resource base for conducting down-raids





#### Recommendations at the national level: Zambia

- Conduct mock dawn-raids for training purposes
- Provide training for tribunal members, judges and case handlers
- Prepare advocacy materials; media campaigns, a quarterly electronic newsletter among others







### Recommendations at the national level: Zimbabwe

- Prepare legal inventory of laws related to competition in Zimbabwe
- Prepare comprehensive competition policy for Zimbabwe
- Revise the competition law of Zimbabwe
- Training on the role of competition law and its benefits for the business community and other stake holders





### Recommendations at the national level: Zimbabwe

- Prepare advocacy materials; media campaigns, quarterly electronic newsletter, etc
- Build an internet-based system for businesses to file complaints on competition issues
- Write articles to be published in major national law journals and scholarly papers on competition law and policy



## Recommendations at the regional level

- Prepare guidelines for conducting dawn-raids based on the international best practices
- Select personnel to carry out dawn-raids and provide training based on the guidelines
- Provide regional seminars on competition law enforcement

