



PROGRAMME

Monday, 19 October

15h-15h30: Opening plenary

- Opening of the Conference by UNCTAD Secretary-General, Dr. Mukhisa Kituyi
- Election of the president and other officers
- Adoption of the rules of procedure
- Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the Conference
- Credentials of the representatives to the Conference: Appointment of a credentials committee
- General statements

15h30-16h30: High-level segment: “Leaving no one behind in the post COVID-19 world: the contribution of competition and consumer policies

Key-note speech: Prof. Frederic Jenny, ESSEC Paris Business School and Chairman of the OECD Competition Committee

Speakers:

- H.E. Ms. Victoria Hernández Mora, Minister of Industry and Commerce, Costa Rica
- H. E. Ms. Peggy Serame, Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry, Botswana
- H.E. Mr. Bakhyt Sultanov, Minister of Trade and Integration, Kazakhstan
- H.E. Mr. Christian Kastrop, Secretary of State, Ministry of Justice and Consumer Protection, Germany
- H.E. Mr. João Torres, Secretary of State for Trade, Services and Consumer Protection, Ministry for the Economy and Digital Transition, Portugal

16h30m-17h: Session on the implementation of the Set of Multilaterally Agreed Equitable Principles and Rules for the Control of Restrictive Business Practices

Presentation by the UNCTAD secretariat

Speakers:

- H.E. Mr. Vladimir Koltovich, Minister of Antimonopoly Regulation and Trade, Republic of Belarus
- Mr. Looi Teck Kheong, Head of Competition, Consumer Protection and Intellectual Property Rights Division, Association of Southeast Asian Nations
- Mr. Arman Shakkaliyev, Head of Secretariat for Member of the Board-Minister in Charge of Competition and Antitrust Regulation, Eurasian Economic Commission

Tuesday, 20 October

10h-12h: Voluntary Peer Review of Competition Law and Policy of the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU)

Presentation of the Peer Review report: Prof. Frederic Jenny, Chairman of the OECD Competition Committee and Professor, ESSEC Paris Business School and Mr. Amadou Dieng, International consultant and former Director of Competition at the WAEMU Commission

Statement by the Head of the WAEMU Delegation: Mr. Joãozinho Mendes, Commissioner in charge of international cooperation, WAEMU (tbc) and Mr. Olivier Angaman, Director of Competition, WAEMU

Peer Reviewers:

- Mr. Ridha Ben Mahmoud, Chairman, Competition Council, Tunisia
- Mr. Georges Lipimile, Director of Competition, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)
- Prof. Patrick Krauskopf, ZHAW School of Management and Law, former Deputy Director of the Swiss Competition Commission

15h-17h: Voluntary Peer Review of Consumer Protection Law and Policy of Peru

Statement by the Head of the Peruvian Delegation: Ms. Hania Pérez de Cuéllar, President, Institute for the Defense of Free Competition and the Protection of Intellectual Property, Peru

Presentation of the Peer Review report by UNCTAD secretariat

Peer reviewers:

- Ms. Delia Rickard, Deputy Chair, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, Australia
- Ms. Alessandra Tonazzi, Director, International and European Relations Directorate, Italian Competition Authority, Italy
- Mr. Hugh Stevenson, Deputy Director, Office of International Affairs, Federal Trade Commission, United States

Questions to be answered by Ms. Wendy Ledesma, National Director for Consumer Protection, Institute for the Defense of Free Competition and the Protection of Intellectual Property, Peru

Wednesday, 21 October

10h-13h: Strengthening consumer protection and competition in the digital economy

Presentation by the UNCTAD secretariat

Speakers:

- H.E. Ms. Juliana Domingues, National Secretary for Consumers, Ministry of Justice and Public Security, Brazil
- Mr. Chilufya Sampa, Chief Executive Officer, Competition and Consumer Protection Commission, Zambia
- Ms. Margarida Matos Rosa, President, Portuguese Competition Authority
- Mr. Andrey Puchkovskiy, Deputy Director, Consumer Rights Protection Department, Federal Service for Surveillance on Consumer Rights Protection and Human Wellbeing, Russian Federation
- Ms. Marie-Paule Benassi, Head of Unit, Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers, European Commission
- Ms. Payal Malik, Adviser (Economics) and Head, Economics Division, Competition Commission of India
- Mr. Recep Gündüz, Head, Supervision and Enforcement Department, Turkish Competition Authority
- Ms. Rayanne Dandache, Economic Policy Coordinator, Ministry of Economy and Trade, Lebanon
- Ms. Helena Leurent, Director General, Consumers International
- Mr. Pradeep S. Mehta, Secretary General, Consumer Unity & Trust Society (CUTS)

15h-16h30m: Review of capacity-building and technical assistance on consumer protection and competition

Presentation by the UNCTAD secretariat

Speakers:

- Mr. Gustavo Benitez, Director of Investigation, Competition Commission of Paraguay (CONACOM)
- Ms. Nathalie Khaled, Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN-ESCWA)
- Ms. Tania Zuñiga, Professor, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Peru
- Dr. Lijin Yan, Chairman of China Silk Road Group CO. LTD

Thursday, 22 October

10h-11h30m: Round table on Combatting cross-border cartels

Moderator: Mr. Andrey Tsyganov, Deputy Head, Federal Antimonopoly Service, Russian Federation

Presentation by Mr. Alexey Ivanov, Director of the BRICS Competition Law and Policy Centre

Speakers:

- Mr. Su-hyun Yoon, Commissioner, Korea Fair Trade Commission
- Mr. Alexandre Cordeiro, General Superintendent, Administrative Council for Economic Defense (CADE), Brazil
- Mr. Hardin Ratshisusu, Deputy Commissioner, Competition Commission, South Africa
- Mr. Richard Powers, Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Criminal Enforcement, Department of Justice, United States

11h30m-12h30m: Round table on Improving consumer product safety around the world: good data for good policy

Moderator: Ms. Thezi Mabuza, Deputy Commissioner, National Consumer Commission, South Africa

Speakers:

- Ms. Anina del Castillo, Executive Director of ProConsumidor, Dominican Republic, and President of the Consumer Safety and Health Network of the Organization of American States
- Ms. Yvonne Stein, Deputy Director, Consumer Policy Division, Ministry of Finance, Sweden
- Mr. Stephen J. Hanway, Associate Executive Director for Epidemiology, Consumer Product Safety Commission, United States
- Ms. Ann Conley, Vice President, Risk Engineering Services, Chubb Insurance

12h30m-13h: Consultations the recommendation on “Preventing Cross-Border Distribution of Known Unsafe Consumer Products”

Introduction by the UNCTAD secretariat

Speakers:

- Ms. Maria Carolina Corcione, Deputy Superintendent for Consumer Protection, Superintendence of Industry and Commerce, Colombia
- Mr. Neville Matthew, General Manager, Consumer Product Safety, Australian Competition & Consumer Commission
- Mr. Richard W. O'Brien, Director, Office of International Programs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, United States

- Ms. Pinuccia Contino, Head of Unit, Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers, European Commission
- Mr. Antonino Serra, Advocacy Manager, Consumers International

15h-16h30m: Round table on International enforcement cooperation among consumer protection authorities in e-commerce

Introduction by the UNCTAD secretariat

Speakers:

- Ms. María Carolina Corcione, Deputy Superintendent for Consumer Protection, Superintendence of Industry and Commerce, Colombia
- Mr. Francis Kariuki, Director General, Competition Authority of Kenya
- Mr. Jason Freeman, Director, Consumer Law, Competition and Markets Authority, United Kingdom
- Mr. Hugh Stevenson, Deputy Director, Office of International Affairs, Federal Trade Commission, United States of America

16h30m-18h: Session on International cooperation under Section F. of the United Nations Set: adoption of the “Guiding Policies and Procedures under Section F of the Set of Multilaterally Agreed Equitable Principles and Rules for the Control of Restrictive Business Practices

Presentation by the UNCTAD secretariat

Speakers:

- Mr. Andrey Tsyganov, Deputy Head, Federal Antimonopoly Service, Russian Federation
- Mr. Amadou Ceesay, Executive Secretary, Competition and Consumer Protection Commission, Gambia
- Mr. Noah Phillips, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission, United States
- Mr. Rod Sims, Chairman, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Friday, 23 October

10h-10h30m: Session on the implementation of the United Nations Guidelines for Consumer Protection

Presentation by the UNCTAD secretariat

Speakers:

- Mr. Omar Al Suhaibani, Deputy Minister for Consumer Protection, Ministry of Commerce, Saudi Arabia
- Mr. Francis Kariuki, Director General, Competition Authority, Kenya

- Mr. Sebastian Barocelli, National Director for Consumer Protection, Ministry of Productive Development, Argentina

10h30m-12h: Round table on Competitive neutrality

Introduction and moderation by Ms. Natalie Harsdorf, Acting Managing Director, Austrian Competition Authority

Speakers:

- Mr. Driss Guerraoui, Chairman, Competition Council, Morocco
- Mr. Arsenio Balisacan, Chairman, Philippine Competition Commission
- Mr. Rodrigo Rios Dordelly, Executive Director of Cooperation, Federal Economic Competition Commission (COFECE), Mexico
- Mr. Paul Palisi, Senior Advisor, Department of Treasury's Market Conduct Division, Australia

15h-17h:

15h-15h30m - UNCTAD Model Law on Competition (part 2, commentaries, revised chapters III and IV)

Presentation by the UNCTAD secretariat

Provisional agendas for the nineteenth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy and the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy

16h: Closing plenary

Report of the credentials committee

Adoption of the report of the Conference