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# **World Consumer Protection Map**

Contribution by Ethiopia

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Q1	Ethiopia	
Name of responding member State		
Q2		
Name of responding authority/agency:		
Trade Competition and Consumer Protection Authority		
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Q7	No	
Does your country's Constitution contain a provision on consumer protection?		
Q8	Respondent skipped this	question
If you do, please provide de following details:		
Q9	Yes	
Does your country have have specific law(s) on consumer protection ?		
Q10	Date	16/08/2010
If you do, when was the main specific law first enacted?		
Q11	Date	21/03/2013
If your main specific law on consumer protection has been revised, when was the date of its latest revision?		

Please provide the following details of the current specific law(s):

1- Name of law	Trade Competition and Competition Proclamation no. 813/2013
1- URL link	http://hopr.gov.et
Q13	Consumer rights/legitimate needs,
Please check all the fields that your consumer protections	Access by consumers to essential goods and services,
law(s) cover.	Physical safety,
	Product quality,
	Terms and conditions,
	Promotional marketing and sales practices (including misleading advertisement)
	1
	Restrictive business practices (competition/antitrust),
	Dispute resolution,
	Redress,
	Consumer education,
	Consumer information

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From your previous answer, your specific consumer protection law(s) do(es) not cover the following field(s). Please name the relevant law(s) covering this/these field(s):

Food distribution Ethiopian Food and Medicine Administration

Proclamation no. 1112/2019

Water Definition of Powers and Duties of the Executive Organs

of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia No.

1097/2018

Pharmaceuticals Ethiopian Food and Medicine Administration

Proclamation no. 1112/2019

Energy Definition of Powers and Duties of the Executive Organs

of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia No.

1097/2018

Public utilities Definition of Powers and Duties of the Executive Organs

of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia No.

1097/2018

Tourism Definition of Powers and Duties of the Executive Organs

of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia No.

1097/2018

Data protection and privacy

Definition of Powers and Duties of the Executive Organs

of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia No.

1097/2018

Financial services Proclamation to Amend National Bank of Ethiopia No.

591/2008

Please indicate the URL Link of the relevant law(s) to each field:

Food distribution www.fmhaca.gov.et

Water https://chilot.me/wp-

content/uploads/2019/08/Proclamation-No.1097-2018-DEFINITION-OF-THE-POWERS-AND-DUTIES-OF-THE-

**EXECUTIVE-ORANGS.pdf** 

Pharmaceuticals www.fmhaca.gov.et

Energy https://chilot.me/wp-

content/uploads/2019/08/Proclamation-No.1097-2018-DEFINITION-OF-THE-POWERS-AND-DUTIES-OF-THE-

**EXECUTIVE-ORANGS.pdf** 

Public utilities https://chilot.me/wp-

content/uploads/2019/08/Proclamation-No.1097-2018-DEFINITION-OF-THE-POWERS-AND-DUTIES-OF-THE-

**EXECUTIVE-ORANGS.pdf** 

Tourism https://chilot.me/wp-

content/uploads/2019/08/Proclamation-No.1097-2018-DEFINITION-OF-THE-POWERS-AND-DUTIES-OF-THE-

**EXECUTIVE-ORANGS.pdf** 

Data protection and privacy https://chilot.me/wp-

content/uploads/2019/08/Proclamation-No.1097-2018-DEFINITION-OF-THE-POWERS-AND-DUTIES-OF-THE-

**EXECUTIVE-ORANGS.pdf** 

Financial services www.nbebank.com

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#### Q16

Name of Ministry responsible for consumer protection:

FDRE Ministry of Trade and Industry

#### Q17

URL link of responsible Ministry for consumer protection:

motin.gov.et

#### Q18

Year when consumer protection was assumed by the current responsible ministry:

2010

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Q19	Yes
Do you have a main consumer protection authority/agency?	
Q20	
Name of main consumer protection authority/agency:	
FDRE Trade Competition and Consumer Protection Authority	
Q21	
URL of main consumer protection authority/agency:	
www.etccpa.gov.et	
Q22	
Year of creation:	
2012	
Q23	
Annual budget: (in USD)	
1046334	
Q24	
Total number of staff:	
150	
Q25	
Total number of staff directly affected to consumer protection	n:
35	
Q26	Yes
Do you have a law/decree that governs the main consumer protection authority/agency?	

#### **Q27**

If you do, please provide the following details:

Reference of the law/decree Trade competition and Consumer Protection

Proclamation no. 813/2013

URL to law/decree http://hopr.gov.et

Q28 Respondent skipped this question

Does your main consumer protection authority/agency have POLICY MAKING powers over any of the following fields?

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From your previous answer, your main authority/agency does not have POLICY MAKING powers over the following fields. Please name the relevant authorities/agencies with powers over these fields:

Consumer rights/legitimate needs	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Access by consumers to essential goods and services	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Protection of vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Physical safety	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Product quality	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Terms and conditions	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Promotional marketing and sales practices (including misleading advertisement)	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Voluntary codes for businesses	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Restrictive business practices(competition/antitrust)	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Electronic commerce	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Financial services	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Promotion of sustainable consumption	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Food distribution	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Water	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Pharmaceuticals	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Energy	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Public utilities	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Tourism	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers
Data protection and privacy	House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of ministers

Dispute resolution House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of

ministers

Redress House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of

ministers

Consumer education House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of

ministers

Consumer information House Peoples Representatives and/or Council of

ministers

#### Q30

URL Link of the relevant authority/agency to each field:

Consumer rights/legitimate needs http://www.hopr.gov.et/

Access by consumers to essential goods and services <a href="http://www.hopr.gov.et/">http://www.hopr.gov.et/</a>

Protection of vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers <a href="http://www.hopr.gov.et/">http://www.hopr.gov.et/</a>

Physical safety http://www.hopr.gov.et/

Product quality http://www.hopr.gov.et/

Terms and conditions http://www.hopr.gov.et/

Promotional marketing and sales practices (including misleading http://www.hopr.gov.et/

advertisement)

Voluntary codes for businesses http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Restrictive business practices(competition/antitrust) http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Electronic commerce http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Financial services http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Promotion of sustainable consumption http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Food distribution http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Water http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Pharmaceuticals http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Energy http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Public utilities http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Tourism http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Data protection and privacy http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Dispute resolution http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Redress http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Consumer education http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

Consumer information http://www.hopr.gov.et and pmo.gov.et/council/

#### Q31

Does your main consumer protection authority/agency have ENFORCEMENT powers over any of the following fields?

Consumer rights/legitimate needs,

Physical safety,

Product quality,

Terms and conditions,

Promotional marketing and sales practices (including

misleading advertisement)

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Restrictive business practices (competition/antitrust),

Dispute resolution,

Redress,

Consumer education,

Consumer information

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#### Q32

From your previous answer, your main consumer protection authority/agency does not have ENFORCEMENT powers over the following fields. Please name the relevant authorities/agencies with powers over these fields:

Access by consumers to essential goods and services Ministry of Trade and Industry

Electronic commerce Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of

**Technology and Innovation** 

Financial services National Bank of Ethiopia

Food distribution Ethiopian Food and Drug Authority

Water Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Energy

Pharmaceuticals Ethiopian Food and Drug Authority

Energy Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Energy

Public utilities Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Energy

Tourism Ministry of Culture and Tourism

Data protection and privacy Information Network Security Agency

http://www.mot.gov.et

#### Q33

URL Link of the relevant authority/agency to each field:

Access by consumers to essential goods and services

Electronic commerce

http://www.mot.gov.et and https://www.facebook.com/MInT.Ethiopia

Financial services https://nbebank.com

Food distribution http://www.fmhaca.gov.et

Water http://mowie.gov.et

Pharmaceuticals http://www.fmhaca.gov.et

http://mowie.gov.et Energy

Public utilities http://mowie.gov.et

Tourism http://www.moct.gov.et Data protection and privacy https://www.insa.gov.et

#### Q34

Regarding enforcement, how many infringement cases does your authority/agency handle on average per year?

112 Consumer Cases

Q35 Yes

Has your authority/agency imposed sanctions and/or other measures for breaches of consumer protection law(s)?

Q36 Respondent skipped this question

Maximum amount for sanction/measure allowed by consumer protection law(s): (in USD)

#### Q37

Record highest amount for any sanction/measure imposed: (in USD)

49558

#### Q38

Please detail if necessary, what kind of sanctions and/or other measures are available in your jurisdiction

Fines, Refund, Re-doing Services and Other Administrative Penalties

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Q39	Yes
Are there any non-governmental consumer organizations/associations in your country?	
Q40	Yes
Do you have a law/decree that governs consumer organizations/associations?	
Q41	
In case you have a law/decree that governs consumer organ	nizations, please provide the following details:
Reference of the law/decree	Ethiopia Civil Societies Proclamation Proc. No. 1113- 2019
URL to law/decree	http://www.chsa.gov.et/home.html
Q42	Consultation in policy making,
Do consumer organizations/associations fulfil any of the	Legal advice to consumers,
following functions?	Consumer education,
	Consumer information,
	Consumer publications
Q43	No
Do consumer groups/associations receive public funding?	
Q44	
Name the three largest non-governmental consumer organiz	ations/associations in your jurisdiction:
1- Name	Ethiopian Consumers Protection Association
1- Website	http://www.chsa.gov.et/home.html
2- Name	Ethiopian Society for Consumer Protection
2- Website	http://www.chsa.gov.et/home.html
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Q45	Yes
Can consumers obtain redress through judicial channels?	

Q46 Yes Is there a specialized judicial mechanism for consumer complaints? **Q47** If there is, please provide the following details **Ethiopian Competition and Consumer Protection** Name **Administrative Tribunal URL Link** etccpa.gov.et Q48 Yes Do you have collective redress/class actions for consumer complaints? Q49 Consumers individually, Who can represent consumer interests in court? Lawyers **Q50** Respondent skipped this question What is the highest damages award following a collective redress/class action? Page 11: Consumer protection institutions Q51 Mediation/ Conciliation, Regarding out-of-court/alternative consumer dispute Arbitration resolution, are there any of the following? Q52 Respondent skipped this question If there are any of the above, please provide the following details: **Q53** No Are there any CROSS-BORDER out-of-court/alternative consumer dispute resolution initiatives? **Q54** Respondent skipped this question If there are, please provide the following details:

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Q55 No

Are there any self-regulation initiatives from businesses?

Q56 Respondent skipped this question

Please provide (up to) 4 examples of the self-regulation initiatives from businesses:

Q57 No

Are there any co-regulation initiatives between businesses and public entities?

Q58 Respondent skipped this question

Please provide (up to) 4 examples of the co-regulation initiatives between businesses and public entities:

Q59 Respondent skipped this question

Do self-regulation and/or co-regulation initiatives cover any of the following issues? (Please relate to UNGCP Guideline 11)

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# Q60

What kind and how many international cooperation agreement(s) on consumer protection does your authority/agency participate in?

	Bilateral	Multilateral/Regional
Formal (treaties)		1
Informal (memoranda of understanding)		1

Q61 Respondent skipped this question

Please provide name and URL link of formal bilateral agreements (treaties):

Respondent skipped this question

Please provide name and URL link of informal bilateral agreements (memoranda of understanding):

#### Q63

Please provide name and URL link of formal multilateral/regionals agreements (treaties) that address consumer protection:

COMESA:

https://www.comesa.int

#### Q64

Please provide name and URL link of informal multilateral/regionals agreements (memoranda of understanding) that address consumer protection:

COMESA:

https://www.comesa.int

#### Q65

Do cooperation agreements on consumer protection (be those formal/informal/bilateral/regional) cover any of the following fields?

Policy making,

Enforcement,

Consumer rights/legitimate needs,

Access by consumers to essential goods and services,

Physical safety,

Product quality,

Terms and conditions,

Promotional marketing and sales practices (including misleading advertisement)

7

Restrictive business practices(competition/antitrust),

Electronic commerce,

Consumer education,

**Consumer information** 

#### Q66

Does your consumer protection enforcement authority/agency have any of the following powers regarding cross-border fraudulent and deceptive commercial practices affecting consumers? Respondent skipped this question

Q67 No

Do you have any experience in cross-border cooperation on enforcement?

Q68 Respondent skipped this question

If you do, please provide a short description

#### Q69

Do you engage in technical cooperation or capacity building activities on consumer protection?

	Bilaterally	Through an international organization/network
As a recipient		Yes
As a donor		

#### Q70

If you have engaged in technical cooperation or capacity building activities on consumer protection as a recipient/as donor and/or through an international organization/network, please provide the following details for each initiative

1- Name of programme/project Training and Attachment Programme on Zambian

**Competition and Consumer Protection Commission** 

1- Name of cooperating partner(s) COMESA

1- Starting date of programme/project July 28, 2019

1- Finish date of programme/project September 28, 2019

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Q71 Yes

Does your authority/agency carry out information and education initiatives?

#### Q72

Do information and education initiatives carried out by your authority/agency cover any of the following fields?

Health, nutrition, prevention of food-borne diseases and food adulteration

,

Product hazard,

Product labelling,

Legislation, dispute resolution,

Weight and measures, prices and quality

Q73 Yes

Does your authority/agency provide specific education and information initiatives for vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers?

#### **Q74**

If your authority/agency does, please provide the following details:

1- Name of initiative Public Forums and Associations

1- Scope of initiative Federal institutions and Federal City Administrations

1- Impact (short description) Sensitization of Consumer Rights and Obligations

2- Name of initiative School Clubs

2- Scope of initiative High Schools In Addis Ababa

2- Impact (short description) Enhanced Consumer Protection Awareness among

Students and Further Extension of the Awareness to

their Family Members

3- Name of initiative Regional Capacity Building

3- Scope of initiative Business Community and Rural Consumers

3- Impact (short description) Business Law Compliance and Enhanced Awareness

Q75 No

Do consumer organizations/associations provide education and information initiatives?

Q76 Respondent skipped this question

If consumer organizations/associations do, please provide the following details:

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Q77 Respondent skipped this question

Does your authority/agency conduct research and analysis on consumer protection issues?

## Q78

If your authority/agency does, please provide the following details:

1- Main area of work	Study on the Causes and Impact of False or Misleading Commercial Advertisements on Domestic Market and Consumers
2- Main area of work	Study on the Shortfalls of Public Transportation Service and Its Impact on Consumers
3- Main area of work	Acts of Deception on Weight Measurement Devices
4- Main area of work	Study on the Causes and Effects of Anti-competitive Practices in Domestic Market and its Impact on Consumers
5- Main area of work	The impact of Imported Substandard Products On Consumers and Competition
Q79	Yes
Do other organizations/associations conduct research and analysis on consumer protection?	
Q80	Respondent skipped this question
If other organizations/associations do, please provide the following details:	