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Review of Capacity- building in and Technical Assistance on Competition Law and Policy

Friday, 7 July 2023
12:00 – 13:00, Room XIX





Technical assistance activities 2022-2023

1. Regional and international activities:

- Closing activities of the UN Development Account project on “Global initiative towards post-COVID-19 resurgence of microenterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises”.
- Continued work supporting the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA): protocol on Competition.
- Joint UN-ESCWA, UNCTAD and OECD Arab Competition Forum.
- UNCTAD SELA Working Group on Trade and Competition for Latin America and the Caribbean.



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- Continued technical assistance and capacity building to Portuguese-speaking developing countries (African and Timor-Leste), funded by Portugal:
 - Regional webinars to discuss best practices in competition and consumer protection policies and challenges in and perspectives on international cooperation in both fields (October 2022; April 2023);
 - Assistance to the new Competition Authority of Cabo Verde in the implementation of its mandate;
 - Assistance in the drafting of the Competition law of Timor-Leste.





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2. Co-organized activities:

- Morocco: training courses to raise awareness of competition law and policy among the media, and training course for judges in cooperation with the World Bank and the Morocco Competition Council.
- Nord Macedonia: training course for judges on the application of competition law in cooperation with the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.
- Latin America: webinar on the implementation of *ex ante* measures and good practices for digital platforms in the region with the UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (UN-ECLAC).



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3. National activities:

- Thailand: continued assistance on the contribution of competition policy to the resurgence of MSMEs.
- Malawi: dissemination of UNCTAD Voluntary Peer Review recommendations and capacity building workshop addressed to officers from the Competition Commission.



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Thank you

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