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Review of capacitybuilding in and technical assistance on consumer protection law and policy

Monday, 4 July 2023 15:00 – 16:00, Room XIX



Technical assistance activities 2022-2023

National activities:

- Advisory opinion on the constitutional protection of consumer rights in Chile.
- Masterclass on consumer protection at the University of Buenos Aires: perspectives on consumer protection in times of crisis.





Technical assistance activities 2022-2023

Regional and international activities:

- Continued work on "Delivering digital trading infrastructure and online dispute resolution for consumers as a means to improve international trade and electronic commerce" with Indonesia and Thailand.
- Closing outputs in the UN Development Account project on "Strengthening social protection for pandemic response" (Consumer protection and the provision of health services).





Technical assistance activities 2022-2023

Regional and international activities:

- Consumer product safety :
 - online workshop "Protecting consumers from unsafe products through import surveillance and cooperation with customs".
 - webinar "Trust in cross-border e-commerce: The case for consumer product safety" jointly with Consumers International.
 - workshop "Civil society and consumer product safety" jointly with the European Commission
- International Forum for Consumer Protection:
 - 11th edition (April 2022): Promoting sustainable consumption for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, co-organized with the Secretariat for the Defence of Consumers and Users of Paraguay.
 - 12th edition (November 2022): Consumer protection and digital platforms, online dispute resolution and over indebtedness and consumer protection co-organized with the Ministry of Economy of Argentina.



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Portuguese-speaking African countries and Timor-Leste Project

<u>Beneficiary countries</u>: Angola, Cabo Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, Santo Tomé e Príncipe and Timor-Leste.

Donor: Portugal.

<u>Duration</u>: since 2019.

<u>Activities</u>: regional webinars and assistance in preparation and implementation of legal frameworks.









Future activities

- Support Gabon in the implementation of the Voluntary Peer Review's recommendations.
- Implement the recent project for the Democratic Republic of the Congo on competition and consumer protection.
- Continue to work with Portuguese-speaking developing countries in Africa and Timor-Leste.
- Respond to several pending technical cooperation requests.
- Continue assisting regional economic organizations.





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Thank you

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