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WELFARE**

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## INTRODUCTION

UNCTAD is the focal point on all work related to competition policy and consumer welfare within the United Nations system. This mandate is established by the Set of Multilaterally Agreed Equitable Principles and Rules for the Control of Restrictive Business Practices (also known as the United Nations Set of Principles and Rules on Competition), unanimously adopted by the General Assembly in 1980, as well as by the 5<sup>th</sup> UN Review Conference held in November 2005 in Antalya (Turkey) and the Accra Accord adopted by UNCTAD XII in Accra in April 2008. As stipulated in the United Nations Set, it has as a main objective “to ensure that restrictive business practices do not impede or negate the realization of benefits that should arise from liberalization of tariff and non-tariff barriers affecting world trade, particularly those affecting the trade and development of developing countries”.

UNCTAD technical cooperation activities aim to help developing countries, including both LDCs and transition countries, to formulate and review competition policies and legislation and to implement competition laws by building national institutional capacity, promoting the creation of a competition culture among government officials, the private sector, consumers and academics, supporting regional cooperation on competition policy and helping countries and regional groups to better formulate the modalities and forms of regional cooperation on competition issues that are supportive to trade, investment and development.

Assistance is granted in accordance with requests received, the needs of countries concerned and resources available. It takes the following main forms: (a) provision of information about anticompetitive practices, including studies on these practices in a specific country; (b) introductory seminars on the role of competition in promoting development; (c) assistance to countries or regional organizations in the process of drafting competition legislation; (d) advisory services for the establishment or strengthening of competition authorities; (e) seminars and workshops for countries wishing to enforce competition legislation or exchange information; (f) assistance to countries or regional organizations wishing to revise their competition legislation; (g) conduct of voluntary peer reviews of competition law and policies of interested countries; (h) assistance to countries with a view to helping them better evaluate the implications of regional and bilateral cooperation on competition issues; and (i) assistance in identifying the role of competition policy in the promotion of competitiveness and development, the need for a development-oriented competition policy and its implications at the national, regional and international levels, as well as strategies for international cooperation in this area.

The direct beneficiaries of UNCTAD assistance include:

- 1) Government officials responsible for drafting competition legislation as well as officials responsible for directing competition agencies and enforcing competition laws;
- 2) Government officials carrying responsibilities related to broader competition policy matters, and regulating bodies;
- 3) The judiciary;

- 4) Government officials and diplomats in charge of regional and multilateral negotiations;
- 5) The business community;
- 6) Consumer associations;
- 7) Researchers and academics.

Most importantly, the indirect beneficiaries are the citizens at large and the poor in particular, both as consumers and producers. They benefit from the implementation of competition policy that inject dynamism and efficiency in the use of resources, lower prices and create employment opportunities by breaking up cartels and monopolies. UNCTAD's advocacy activities also aim at creating an enabling environment for the promotion of the enterprise sector and the reduction of the administrative burden of doing business.

The main capacity-building and technical cooperation activities of the UNCTAD secretariat in 2006-2009 are summarized below.

### Country-specific technical assistance provided by UNCTAD in 2006-2009

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Afghanistan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> </ul>	UNCTAD provided advice regarding the draft competition legislation (2006).	Government	Assistance in drafting competition legislation
Angola	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Participation in the Second Lusophone Conference on Competition organized by UNCTAD in cooperation with the Portuguese Competition Authority on 29-30 May 2006 (Lisbon, Portugal)</p> <p>A course on competition law and policy for government officials (2006)</p> <p>Parliamentary and stakeholders workshops on the Competition Bill (Luanda, 21-22 April 2009)</p>	<p>Ministry of Finance, INADEC (consumer agency), sector regulators.</p> <p>Government officials</p> <p>.</p> <p>Members of Parliament, sector regulators, public sector officials, academics</p>	<p>Greater awareness of competition issues across public sector and cementing of network of Lusophone competition aficionados for the exchange of experience and learning</p> <p>Assistance related to drafting and elaborating of competition law and policies</p> <p>Better understanding of the contents of the Bill in order to ensuring its passing by the Parliament</p>
Benin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity</li> </ul>	Within the framework of the West African	Government officials	Links were created between the WAEMU

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	<p>building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Monetary Union (WAEMU), a national training seminar on the implementation of the WAEMU common competition rules was organised in cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU (20-21 November 2006 in Cotonou).</p> <p>A regional seminar on common competition rules of WAEMU was organized jointly with the WAEMU secretariat in Cotonou on 22-24 November 2006. Representatives of Benin also participated in other regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU held in 2006 in Côte d'Ivoire, Togo and Guinea Bissau and in 2007 in Senegal.</p> <p>In 2007 UNCTAD organised two regional meetings held on 26-27 March 2007 in Cotonou.</p>	<p>including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p> <p>Staff of national competition authorities, sectors regulators, government officials and representatives of business circles and academia</p>	<p>Commission and Benin in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member States.</p> <p>The first meeting discussed the main findings and recommendations of the UNCTAD peer review report on competition policy, and the second assessed the work undertaken in 2006 within the framework of the implementation of the UNCTAD/WAEMU capacity building project on competition policy.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peer Review</li> </ul>	<p>For details of a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy and other activities see also WAEMU</p>		
Bhutan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> <li>Capacity building</li> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>National workshops on consumer protection issues, held by UNCTAD together with the Ministry of Trade and Industry of Bhutan on 1-3 February and on 28-29 June 2006 in Paro, Thimphu and Chukha Dzongkhag.</p> <p>Two national consultative meetings organized on 26-29 June 2006 in Thimphu and Chukha Dzongkhag.</p> <p>Two national workshops on consumer protection issues, including the presentation of the national draft Consumer Protection Bill, held by UNCTAD together with the Ministry of Economic Affairs on 5 November in Mongar Dzongkhag and on 8 November 2007 in Gelephu Dzongkhag.</p> <p>A national seminar one on the advocacy for the implementation of the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection law and an awareness</p>	<p>Government officials and representatives of business circles.</p> <p>Regional branches of the Ministry of Trade, representatives of</p>	<p>Assistance with the drafting of the Consumer Protection Bill, reviewing unfair trade practices, preparing marketing surveys and advocacy activities in different regions.</p> <p>Removing of obstacles for the implementation of the newly adopted legislation. Contribution towards poverty reduction in coordination with</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>workshop for local judiciary and “ombudsman” responsible for consumer redress, were organized on 13-18 December 2008 in Monger and Gelephu .</p> <p>Workshop on Competition and Consumer’s laws and Policies (Paro, 5 March 2009)</p> <p>Meeting to disseminate the findings of the UNCTAD market survey on the state of safety of consumer products, guarantees, labeling, prices and warrants (Paro, 6 March 2009)</p> <p>Study tour to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission for Bhutan officials on: (a) finalization of the 3 institutional framework for a consumer protection agency and (b) training on the application of the Consumer Protection Law (Canberra, 22-27 May 2009)</p>	<p>consumer groups, judiciary and business.</p> <p>Representatives of different ministries, agencies in charge of questions related to IPR, quality, standards and customs</p> <p>Representatives of the Department of Trade of the Ministry of the Economy</p> <p>Officials from the Ministry of the Economy</p>	<p>other UN agencies within UNDAF.</p> <p>To seek the coherence between different legislation enforced by different partners, identify synergies between assistance provided by various donors, including UNCTAD, on consumer protection. Identification of one UNCTAD/UNDP common project.</p> <p>Dissemination of the results, exchange of views, feedback on the experiences and future process. It was agreed that future surveys should be held annually and monitored by the government.</p> <p>Better understanding of issues required for the creation of an efficient consumer protection agency and for using IT in handling and tracking complaints and processing reports. Acquisition of a simplified version of the IT software for use in Bhutan.</p>

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Bolivia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> </ul>	During 2006, the COMPAL programme assisted Bolivia by producing in-depth sectoral studies.	Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.	Studies on the status and conditions of competition in key markets were prepared.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li>   <li>• Capacity Building</li> </ul>	<p>UNCTAD undertook a mission to La Paz to hold a seminar on COMPAL (October 2007)</p> <p>Participation in the second annual monitoring meeting of the COMPAL Programme held on 5-6 March 2007 in San Jose.</p>	<p>Government officials, representatives of business circles and academia.</p> <p>Representatives of COMPAL beneficiary countries, SECO, COMCO, government officials,</p>	<p>Advocacy activities as well as revision of the implementation of COMPAL and coordination with the national Reference Group, which was established to undertake COMPAL activities (2007)</p> <p>Advocacy activities as well as revision of the implementation and coordination of COMPAL</p>
Botswana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Discussions and revisions of the drafts of the Law. In order to help Botswana draft its competition legislation, UNCTAD assisted in the preparation of a competition Policy Framework. Within the framework of assistance in the drafting of a competition bill, a consultative meeting between the stakeholders was organised (1-3 March 2006). A second meeting was held between Members of the Reference Group, Ministry of Trade and Industry Officials, the Attorney General's</p>	<p>Competition Law and Policy Reference Group, Ministry of Trade &amp; Industry, Department of Consumer Affairs, Botswana Export Development &amp; Investment Authority, Botswana, Public Enterprises Evaluation</p>	<p>The draft bill was finalized and submitted for review by stakeholders. It is due to be presented to the Parliament in July 2008. UNCTAD assistance in the preparation of competition Policy Framework was a first step towards the formulation of competition law and policy. It led the Government to appreciate the interface between competition law and policy and other government policies, including privatisation, regulatory reforms, trade liberalisation, investment regime and the need to address</p>

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		Office and the stakeholders to discuss the lay draft competition bill 2006 and the application guidelines (15-16 June 2006). UNCTAD also organized workshop for stakeholders to discuss its final draft (1 November 2007, Gaborone).	& Privatization Agency, Botswana Telecommunications Authority, Bank of Botswana, Attorney General's Chambers, consumer groups, Botswana Confederation of Commerce, Industry & manpower and University of Botswana.	concerns over development and poverty reduction. In addition, this capacity building provided for the formulation of national competition laws, drew attention to ensuring coherence between the creation of competition culture and other objectives pursued by the government, as well as to the importance of putting in place well functioning commercial courts and judicial reviews for an effective enforcement of competition law.
		A national consultative and information gathering workshop was co-organized by UNCTAD and SACU secretariat (Gaborone on 18-19 December 2006).	Country based SACU issues coordinators (Ministry of trade & Industry Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Planning & National Development, sectors regulators (banking, telecommunication, energy etc) judiciary (Attorney General's Office), consumer	See SACU

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>UNCTAD organized study tours to the Swedish and Swiss competition authorities (May 2007) to assist Botswana in the process of adopting competition legislation and establishing an operational competition authority. Briefing by competition experts on the organization and structure of competition agencies and case handling. Discussions, Q&amp;A office tours, meeting with other stakeholders</p>	<p>groups, business (Chamber of Commerce) and University of Botswana.</p> <p>Government officials from the Ministry of Trade &amp; Industry, Consumer Affairs Department and the Attorney General's Office.</p>	<p>The study tours served the purpose of improving the understanding of Botswana's officials in the area of different aspects of work of a competition authority, namely the structure, functions, competences and role that authorities play in promoting consumer welfare and competitive markets. During these study tours, the members of the Botswana delegation had an opportunity not only to benefit from experiences accumulated by Swedish and Swiss competition agencies, but also gained the necessary experience for finalizing the draft of national competition law, especially in respect to the elements of the institutional structure and powers of a future national competition authority.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>A benchmarking exercise for the Botswana institutional framework was undertaken with assistance from the competition authorities of South Africa and Zambia (5-6 November in</p>	<p>Government officials from the Ministry of Trade &amp; Industry and the</p>	<p>The consultations to initialize the institutional structure for the establishment of a competition authority.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Pretoria and 8-9 November 2007 in Lusaka). Discussions &amp; proposals for revisions</p> <p>A workshop for stakeholders (2 November 2007, Gaborone) organized to assist in the</p>	<p>Attorney General's Chambers. Government officials from other Ministries , Botswana Export Development &amp; Investment Authority, Botswana, Public Enterprises Evaluation &amp; Privatization Agency, Botswana Telecommunications Authority, Bank of Botswana, Attorney General's Chambers, consumer groups, Botswana Confederation of Commerce, Industry &amp; manpower and University of Botswana.</p> <p>Officials from Headquarters and</p>	<p>Exchange of views as inputs to the revision of the Consumer Protection Act.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>amendment of the Consumer Protection Act.</p> <p>A Training Course on Competition and Consumer Protection for government officials of Botswana (4 - 7 December 2007, Francistown).</p> <p>Preparation of an institutional framework report for enforcement of the competition legislation, including through undertaking consultations with government agencies, reviewing the draft Competition Bill and collecting information from stakeholders (27 Oct.-9 Nov. 2008). On 1-2 December 2008 the report was finalized and its draft was presented to the Government.</p> <p>A Training Course on Consumer Protection</p>	<p>Provincial Consumer Affairs Offices and Attorney General's Chambers</p> <p>See above</p> <p>Officials from the Ministry of Trade and Industry</p> <p>Officials from the Department of Trade and Consumer Affairs</p>	<p>Training activities provided government officials with necessary enforcement tools. Course lectures, group exercises, case studies</p> <p>Enhancement of skills and understanding among government officials of the Competition Bill as well as of the requirements for the establishment of a competition authority.</p> <p>Enhancing the understanding among government officials of the interpretation of the provisions of the Consumer Protection Act, in</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For other activities see also SACU and ESA</li> </ul>	<p>and Consumer Welfare for government officials of Botswana (24 - 28 November 2008, Francistown).</p>	<p>(both the Headquarters and the Provincial Consumer Affairs Offices) of the Ministry of Trade and Industry</p>	<p>particular on unfair business practices and of the implementation of the Act, especially with respect to the procedure in handling consumer complaints</p>
Brazil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inter-agency cooperation: capacity building</li> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>In cooperation with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada and Fundação Getulio Vargas School of Law, UNCTAD organized a seminar on Competition Law and Policy in Latin America (30 November – 1 December 2006, Sao Paulo).</p> <p>Participation in the second Lusophone Conference on Competition organized by UNCTAD in cooperation with the Portuguese competition authority on 29-30 May 2006 in Lisbon (Portugal) with the participation of representatives of eight Lusophone countries.</p>	<p>Government officials, sectors regulators, representatives of regional trade groupings, consumer groups, business circles and academia</p> <p>Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p>	<p>Advocacy activity - wide dissemination to member States and regional trade groupings of the findings of a report on regional cooperation on competition law and policy as a tool for development and integration.</p> <p>Facilitated access to competition expertise in Portuguese, available in Brazil, EU, Portugal and UNCTAD.</p>

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Burkina Faso	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li>   <li>• Peer Review</li> </ul>	<p>Within the framework of the West African Monetary Union (WAEMU), a national training seminar on the implementation of the WAEMU common competition rules was organised in cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU (3-7 July 2006, Ouagadougou). Representatives of Burkina Faso also participated in regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU held in 2006 in Côte d'Ivoire, Togo, Guinea Bissau and Benin and in 2007 in Senegal, as well as in two regional meetings held in 2007 in Benin.</p> <p>For details of a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy and other activities see WAEMU</p>	Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia	As a result of UNCTAD's assistance, links were created between the WAEMU Commission and Burkina Faso in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member States.
Cambodia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> </ul>	In order to help Cambodia draft its competition legislation, UNCTAD assisted in the preparation of a competition Policy Framework. Within the framework of assistance in the drafting of a competition bill, a consultative meeting to review this bill was organized by UNCTAD together with the Ministry of Commerce on 3-5 July 2006 in Phnom Penh. Consultations were also held between	Government officials, representatives of business circles and academia	The revised draft competition bill was submitted to the Ministry of Commerce in September 2006. UNCTAD assistance in the preparation of competition Policy Framework was a first step towards the formulation of competition law and policy. It led the Government to appreciate the interface between competition law and policy and other government policies, including privatization, regulatory reforms, trade

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>UNCTAD and the Ministry of Commerce and a Round Table was organized on 13 June 2007 in Phnom Penh to assist Cambodia to design and adopt the national competition law.</p> <p>Meeting with the Vice-Minister of Commerce (Phnom Penh, 9 March 2009)</p> <p>Meeting with the Vice-Minister of Commerce (Phnom Penh, 10 March 2009)</p>	<p>Ministry of Commerce</p> <p>Ministry of Commerce</p>	<p>liberalization, investment regime and the need to address development and poverty reduction concerns.</p> <p>Contribution to the elaboration of the national consumer protection law and of the institutional framework for its implication</p> <p>Elaboration of terms of reference for the drafting of the consumer protection law and identification of a national consultant, elaboration of the outline for a training manual on consumer protection and of an appropriate work programme.</p>
Cameroon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Advocacy services</li> </ul>	<p>A national training workshop on competition law and policy was organized by UNCTAD and the National Competition Commission on 28-29 May 2008 in Yaounde.</p> <p>National Seminar on the Cameroonian Competition Policy and Internationalization</p>	<p>Members of the new National Competition Commission of Cameroon</p> <p>Government officials of the ministry of</p>	<p>Members of the National Competition Commission received training in the area of their functions and role in competition enforcement to enable them to start their enforcement activities.</p> <p>All stakeholders were informed on the importance of an effective enforcement of the</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>was co-organised by UNCTAD and the government of Cameroon in Doula on 30 May 2008. It was attended by a large number of government officials, representatives of business circles and civil society.</p> <p>A national competition seminar for investigators from the National Competition Committee of Cameroon was organised together with CEMAC and the Government of Cameroon on 1-5 December 2008 in Kribi.</p>	<p>trade, representatives of business community, and civil society.</p> <p>Competition officials from the National Competition Committee and Ministry of Trade</p>	<p>national competition law for the development and prosperity of the Cameroonian economy.</p> <p>Increasing the ability of Cameroonian officials to efficiently enforce competition legislation at both national and regional levels.</p>
<b>Cape Verde</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Participation in the second Lusophone Conference on Competition organized by UNCTAD in cooperation with the Portuguese competition authority (29-30 May 2006, Lisbon) with the participation of representatives of eight Lusophone countries.</p>	<p>Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p>	<p>Facilitating access to competition expertise in Portuguese, available in Brazil, EU, Portugal and UNCTAD.</p>
<b>Chad</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>A National Competition Seminar was co-organized by UNCTAD and the Ministry of Commerce on 24-26 January 2006 in Ndjamena. Consultations were also held with government officials on the benefits of adopting a competition law and UNCTAD provided comments on a draft competition bill, drawing</p>	<p>Government officials, representatives of business circles and academia.</p>	<p>Introductory activities contributed to raising awareness about the role of competition policy, drafting of competition legislation and promoting a competition culture</p>

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		on the Model Law and the Commentaries therein.		
<b>Columbia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>A Latin American and Caribbean Seminar was co-organized with the Superintendency of Commerce and Industry (February 2006)</p> <p>Launching COMPAL II programme and dissemination event on the results of COMPAL I was held in Bogota on 22-24 April 2009</p>	<p>Government officials, representatives from all Latin American and Caribbean countries, civil society</p> <p>Government officials including representatives of the national competition authority</p>	<p>Activities contributed to raising awareness about competition policy and development, promotion of a competition culture</p> <p>Launching of COMPAL II programme</p>
<b>Costa Rica</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services</li> </ul>	<p>During 2006 the COMPAL programme assisted Costa Rica in the preparation of law reforms, competition and consumer protection guidelines as well as in the preparation of academic programmes.</p> <p>Peer Review of the Costa Rican Competition Policy (2008)</p>	<p>Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p> <p>Same</p>	<p>Assistance provided in the preparation of law reforms as well as competition and consumer protection guidelines. Academic programmes were co-organized jointly with local universities.</p> <p>Recommendations to included in the proposal for COMPAL II</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>The second annual monitoring meeting of the COMPAL Programme was held on 5-6 March 2007 in San Jose.</p> <p>Academic course on competition and consumer protection laws was held in San Jose on 8-15 March 2007</p> <p>Meeting to monitor COMPAL Programme was held on 25 April 2008 in Accra, Ghana</p>	<p>Representatives of COMPAL beneficiary countries, SECO, COMCO, government officials,</p> <p>Same</p> <p>Representatives of COMPAL beneficiary countries, SECO, government officials,</p>	<p>Advocacy activities as well as revision of the implementation and coordination of COMPAL activities.</p> <p>Assistance was provided to some COMPAL beneficiaries and other Latin American countries in the field of competition and consumer protection legislation.</p> <p>Advocacy activities as well as revision of the implementation and coordination of COMPAL activities.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inter-agency cooperation : capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Post UNCTAD XII meeting held on 26/27 April 2008 in Accra, Ghana</p>	<p>Representatives of COMPAL beneficiaries</p>	<p>Advocacy activities as well as revision of the implementation and coordination of COMPAL activities.</p>

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		<p>A COMPAL dissemination workshop was held on 7 March 2007 in San Jose</p> <p>Post voluntary peer review meeting was organized in San Hose on 16-17 April 2009.</p> <p>Launching COMPAL II programme and dissemination event on the results of COMPAL I was held in San Hose on 16-17 April 2009</p>	<p>COMPAL beneficiaries, Latin American countries, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of consumer groups, business circles and academia, IDRC</p> <p>Government officials including representatives of the national competition authority</p> <p>Government officials including representatives of the national competition authority</p>	<p>Large dissemination of major COMPAL outputs, including sectoral studies and country-specific consumer protection strategies prepared in 2005 and 2006 together with COMPAL studies on the distribution sector, carried out with the support of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada.</p> <p>To tackle the issues that arose from the VPR of Costa Rica held in 2008 and review the implementation of its the recommendations,</p> <p>Launching of COMPAL II programme</p>
Côte d'Ivoire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>A regional seminar on common competition rules of WAEMU was organized jointly with the WAEMU secretariat in Abidjan (28-30 June 2006). Representatives of Côte d'Ivoire also</p>	<p>Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors</p>	<p>Links were created between the WAEMU Commission and Côte d'Ivoire in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Peer Review</li> </ul>	<p>participated in other regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU held in 2006 in Togo, Guinea Bissau and Benin and in 2007 in Senegal, and in two regional meetings held in 2007 in Benin.</p> <p>A national training seminar on the WAEMU common competition rules was organised in cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU (24 - 28 September 2007, Abidjan).</p> <p>For details of a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy and other activities see WAEMU</p>	<p>regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p> <p>Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p>	<p>national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member States.</p> <p>Participants were appraised of the need for coordination and cooperation in the enforcement of the community competition rules</p>
Dominican Republic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	Workshop on the Interface between Competition and Trade Challenges, Santo Domingo, 22-23 April 2009	Government officials from relevant government bodies working in the following areas: trade, unfair trade practices, trade negotiations, exports, investment,	Enhanced awareness on different issues related to the interface between trade and competition, in particular to the role of competition policy in trade and regional integration. In parallel to the workshop a special meeting was held to approve the extension of the COMPAL programme to the Dominican Republic and an appropriate work programme was elaborated.

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			agriculture and customs. .	
<b>Egypt</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	UNCTAD cooperated with the US Department of Commerce Commercial Law Development Programme to organize an intensive training course for competition officials (12-14 September 2006, Cairo).	Newly recruited staff of the Egyptian competition agency.	Assistance in institutional building to a newly established competition agency.
<b>El Salvador</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services, capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>During 2006, the COMPAL programme assisted El Salvador by producing in-depth sectoral studies as well as organizing competition advocacy seminars and a consumer protection workshop.</p> <p>For assistance in the area of competition and consumer protection legislation, in particular monitoring and dissemination meetings held in Costa Rica (2007) and COMPAL events held in Accra (2008), see Costa Rica.</p>	Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of consumer groups, business circles and academia.	Studies on the status and condition of competition in key markets; assistance was provided in the field of competition and consumer protection advocacy.

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Ghana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services</li> </ul>	Discussions on launching a project on elaboration of Competition and Consumer protection laws and policies and the creation of the appropriate enforcement agencies (Accra, 29 March-3 April 2009)	Officials from the Ministry of Trade and Industry and other stakeholders.	The structure of the project was defined and an agreement on follow-up activities was achieved.
Guinea-Bissau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> <li>Capacity building</li> <li>Peer review</li> </ul>	<p>A regional seminar on common competition rules of WAEMU was organized jointly with the WAEMU secretariat (2-5 October 2006, Bissau). Representatives of Guinea Bissau also participated in other regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU held in 2006 in Côte d'Ivoire, Togo, and Benin and in 2007 in Senegal, and in two regional meetings held in 2007 in Benin.</p> <p>Participation in the second Lusophone Conference on Competition organized by UNCTAD in cooperation with the Portuguese competition authority (29-30 May 2006, Lisbon) with the participation of representatives of eight Lusophone countries.</p> <p>For details of a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy and other activities see WAEMU</p>	<p>Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p> <p>Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p>	<p>Links were created between the WAEMU Commission and Guinea Bissau in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member states.</p> <p>Facilitated access to competition expertise in Portuguese, available in Brazil, EU, Portugal and UNCTAD.</p>

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<b>Honduras</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> </ul>	With support from GTZ, participated in a competition advocacy seminar (March, 2006)	Government officials, representatives of business circles and academia	Greater awareness of competition issues across public sector
<b>Indonesia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity</li> </ul>	<p>Judicial seminar held in co-operation with the Supervisory Commission for Business Competition and the Supreme Court of Indonesia (Bali, 13-14 June 2006).</p> <p>Workshop on competition law and policy for new staff of Indonesian competition authority (KPPU) (Jakarta, 24 April 2007)</p> <p>Roundtable discussion on competition law and policy co-organised by UNCTAD, KPPU and GTZ (Jakarta, 25 April 2007).</p> <p>Study tour for Supreme Court judges to a</p>	<p>Supreme Court, and District Court judges</p> <p>KPPU new recruits</p> <p>KPPU staff</p> <p>Supreme Court judges</p>	<p>Improved understanding by judges of competition legislation and their role in its enforcement, including familiarization with the different aspects of the work of competition authorities and that of other country's institutions</p> <p>Familiarization with the different aspects of the work of the KPPU</p> <p>Enhanced competition enforcement skills</p> <p>Improved understanding by judges of</p>

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	building	number of competition-related institutions in Germany co-organized by UNCTAD and GTZ within the framework of a programme on the Implementation of Competition Law of Indonesia (7-11 May 2007).  A round table discussion on competition and regulation in the telecommunications sector was organized in Jakarta on 24 - 29 January 2008. It was co-organized by UNCTAD, KPPU and GTZ of Germany.  Workshop on Merger Control held in Jakarta on 14-15 may 2009  Workshop on the validation of the KPPU Manual on Competition Law and Policy (Jakarta, 18-20 May 2009)	Staff of Indonesian Competition Authority (KPPU) and judges of the Indonesian Supreme Court.  Staff of Indonesian Competition Authority (KPPU), other government officials  Staff of Indonesian Competition Authority (KPPU), other trainers incl. government officials, academics and business sector.	competition enforcement in other jurisdictions and comparisons with national enforcement with  Improved understanding in the area of competition and regulation in the telecommunications sector  Building up knowledge of government officials in the area of merger control with a view of a consequent enforcement of the national competition legislation in this area  Validation of the Manual on Competition Law and Policy and other training and testing materials in order to adopt them to specific features of Indonesian competition law and policy and to use them for the training of trainers and new staff of the Indonesian competition authority (KPPU).

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		Round Table on Peer Review Report, its findings and recommendations (Jakarta, 27 May 2009)	KPPU Chairman, commissioners and executive director	Identifying recommendations for follow-up of the PR, formulating a TA project for implementation of the RT decisions, agreeing on PR examiners and allocating tasks among them.
<b>Iraq</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Training course on competition law and policy and introduction of consumer protection issues organized in Geneva on 2-9 September 2008</p> <p>Training of trainers on competition law and policy, consumer protection and investment policies organized in Geneva on 8-12 June 2009</p>	<p>Government officials and academics from the Kurdistan region of Iraq</p> <p>See above</p>	<p>Inputs provided to the draft Competition Law of the Kurdistan Regional government of Iraq; Greater awareness on competition law and policy issues among participants and establishment of links with governmental and academic circles for promoting competition advocacy.</p> <p>Imparting training skills to the officials from the Kurdistan Regional government of Iraq; Greater awareness on competition law and policy and investment issues among participants and establishment of links with governmental and academic circles for promoting competition advocacy</p>
<b>Jordan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity</li> </ul>	The Second National Competition Conference	Government officials,	These activities contribute to raising awareness

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	<p>building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>was co-organised with the Jordanian Competition Directorate and the Korea International Cooperation Agency (11-12 December 2006).</p> <p>A workshop on "Abuse of Dominance and Anti-Competitive Agreements" was co-organized with the Jordanian Competition Directorate (13-14 December 2006, Amman).</p>	<p>sectors regulators, representatives of business circles and academia.</p>	<p>about the role of competition and promoting a competition culture as well as served to improve the understanding of specific aspects of anti-competitive practices.</p>
Kenya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services/ capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Two consultative shareholders workshops were co-organised by UNCTAD and the Kenyan Monopolies and Prices Commission (5-6 June 2006 in Nairobi and on 8-9 June 2006 in Mombasa). Three sectoral studies on status of competition have been also launched</p>	<p>Monopolies &amp; Prices Commission, Government officials (Finance, Trade &amp; Industry etc), sectors regulators ( Export Promotion Council, Central Bank of Kenya Communications Commission of Kenya, Nairobi Stock Exchange, Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry, Kenya Consumer Network, University of Nairobi.</p>	<p>Assistance provided to the Kenyan Monopolies and Prices Commission in disseminating the results and implementing the recommendations of the Peer Review on competition law and policy of Kenya, held in Antalya, Turkey in November 2005. Discussions and consensus building on competition issues.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building.</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• For other activities see also ESA</li> </ul>	<p>Assistance was provided in the internal restructuring of its competition agency and a resource centre at the Monopolies and Prices Commission in Nairobi was established as recommended in the UNCTAD Peer Review.</p> <p>Study tours in four different countries were organized in 2006 within the framework of the review of the Restrictive Trade Practices, Monopolies and Price Control Act. In order to promote South-South cooperation and exchange of best practices, three of these study tours were organized in the Zambian, Indonesian and South African competition agencies; visits were also organized to the UK Office of Fair Trading and the Competition Commission.</p>	<p>Monopolies &amp; Prices Commission</p> <p>Monopolies &amp; Prices Commission officials</p>	<p>Purchase of books and equipment</p> <p>The study tours served the purpose of improving the understanding of Kenyan officials in the area of competition legislation and its enforcement, and in the area of different aspects of work of a competition agency. Kenyan officials were briefed by competition experts on the organization and structure of competition agencies and case handling. Discussions, Q&amp;A office tours, meeting with other stakeholders.</p>
Korea, Republic of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inter-agency cooperation :</li> </ul>	<p>In cooperation with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of</p>	<p>Government officials, sectors regulators,</p>	<p>Advocacy activity - wide dissemination to member States and regional trade groupings of</p>



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	For details of other activities see SACU	National consultative and information gathering workshop was co-organized by UNCTAD and SACU secretariat in Maseru (14 to 15 December 2006).	Country based SACU issues coordinators, Ministry of Trade, Industry, Cooperatives & Marketing, Ministry of Agriculture, Lesotho Farmers Association, Basotho Enterprise Development Corporation and Lesotho Consumer Organization.	See SACU
Madagascar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	A national seminar on “Competition policy within the framework of economic reforms and poverty reduction” was organized with the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (5 Nov. 2008). Consultations with different groups of stakeholders and survey of opinions on the issues of CLP , in particular on the creation of a competition authority.	Officials of the Competition and Consumer Protection Office of the METI, representatives of consumer groups, sector regulators, judiciary, chamber of Commerce,	Finalization of the institutional framework report on CLP and of the appointment of commissioners for the future competition authority and building-up awareness of the importance of its independence. Follow-up study tours to France and Tunisia is envisaged. Contribution towards poverty reduction in coordination with other UN agencies within UNDAF.

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Malawi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>A national judicial seminar was jointly organized with the Ministry of Trade and Private Sector Development (27-28 March 2006, Mangochi).</p> <p>Three national workshops were co-organized with the Malawi Competition and Fair Trade Commission (19-22 September 2006 in Lilongwe and Blantyre).</p> <p>Induction workshop for the Board of Commissioners of the Competition and Fair Trade Commission (Mangochi, 23-24 March 2009), followed by assistance in recruiting new</p>	<p>Judges and other adjudicators</p> <p>Parliamentarians, Privatization Authority, Electricity Regulatory Authority, Malawi Chamber of Commerce, Malawi Competition Commission, Ministry of Trade &amp; Private Sector development, representatives of professional associations.</p> <p>Ministry of Trade and Industry, Competition and Fair Trade Commission</p>	<p>Training activities provided to competition case handlers</p> <p>Provided clarification of the objectives of the Competition Law and the ways the MCFTC intends to apply the Law. Presentations and discussions with various stake holders</p> <p>Enhancement of knowledge on the role of Commissioners in the administration and enforcement of competition law and policy, recruitment of new staff members of the</p>

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		staff of the Commission.		Commission.
Malaysia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> </ul>	Malaysia adopted, with the assistance of UNCTAD, a competition policy framework which serves as a basis for a new competition law. UNCTAD continued to provide assistance in the preparation of the draft competition law and related application guidelines.	Government officials, representatives of business circles and academia.	The final draft law was reviewed in a meeting held in London with the consultants and the representatives of the Government (15-18 August 2006).
Mali	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Peer Review</li> </ul>	<p>Within the framework of the West African Monetary Union (WAEMU), a national training seminar on the implementation of the WAEMU common competition rules was organised in cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU (11-15 September 2006, Bamako). Representatives of Mali also participated in regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU held in 2006 in Côte d'Ivoire, Togo, Guinea Bissau and Benin and in 2007 in Senegal, as well as in two regional meetings held in 2007 in Benin.</p> <p>For details of a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy and other activities</p>	Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia	Links were created between the WAEMU Commission and Mali in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member States.

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		see WAEMU		
<b>Mauritius</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> <li>• See ESA</li> </ul>	In 2008 UNCTAD provided consultancy on formulation of an “Institutional Framework for the implementation of the Competition Act”	Ministry of Industry, Small and Medium Enterprises, Commerce and Cooperatives	The consultancy shall lead to the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer to commence the operations of the Competition Commission before or by the end of 2008. An executive report was prepared by UNCTAD to assist the Ministry on steps to be taken to make the Competition Act operational.
<b>Mexico</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Participation in UNCTAD seminars in Korea (see Korea) and Latin American countries (2006 - 2007).</p> <p>Two courses on competition legislation of the EU and Latin American countries Law were given at the University of Monterrey (Mexico) on 4-5 July and 15-16 August.</p>	<p>Government officials from CFC delegates have participated as keynote speakers in UNCTAD seminars</p> <p>Post-graduate students and academia</p>	<p>Advocacy activities; furthering cooperation with national competition authorities</p> <p>Increased knowledge on competition legislation and awareness of the need of establishing and deepening cooperation between Mexican’s academia and UNCTAD in the competition area.</p>
<b>Mozambique</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> </ul>	Preparation of Economic Mapping and Legislative Inventory (2005/2006)	Ministry of Industry and Trade	Enactment of national competition legislation. Draft competition law completed and to be subjected to public and Parliamentary scrutiny during 2008.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• For other activities see also ESA</li> </ul>	<p>Preparation of Competition Policy Framework as a basis for the formulation of a Competition Policy Terms of Reference</p> <p>Drafting of competition law (2007/2008)</p> <p>Participation in Second Lusophone Conference on Competition organized by UNCTAD in cooperation with the Portugese competition authority on 29-30 May 2006 (Lisbon, Portugal)</p>	<p>Ministry of Industry and Trade, Parliament</p> <p>Ministry of Industry and Trade, Legal Reform Institute, Telecoms Regulator</p>	<p>Greater awareness of competition issues across public sector and cementing of network of Lusophone competition aficionados for the exchange of experience and learning</p>
Namibia	For details of other activities see also SACU	A national consultative and information gathering workshop was co-organized by UNCTAD and SACU secretariat (Windhoek, 11-12 December 2006 and on 1-2 March 2007).	Country based SACU Issues coordinators, Ministry of Trade & Industry, Namibia Competition Commissioners, Ministry of Finance, Farmers Representatives, Bank of Namibia	See SACU

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Nicaragua	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Between 2006 and 2008, the COMPAL programme assisted Nicaragua by producing in-depth sectoral studies, as well as in the adoption of the competition legislation, its future implementing agency and preparation of academic programmes.</p> <p>Training activities of competition officials were organized in 2006.</p> <p>A monitoring meeting of the COMPAL Programme was organized in cooperation with the Ministry of Industry and Trade (30-31 January 2006, Managua). For assistance in the area of competition and consumer protection legislation, in particular monitoring and dissemination meetings held in Costa Rica (2007) and COMPAL events held in Accra (2008), see Costa Rica.</p> <p>A dissemination event was organized on 8-9 September in Managua (Nicaragua) on the outcome of four sectoral studies carried out in</p>	<p>Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p> <p>Government officials</p> <p>Government officials</p> <p>Government officials, academia, representative of</p>	<p>Studies on the status and conditions of competition in key markets were prepared. Assistance was provided in the preparation of competition legislation. Academic programmes were co-organized jointly with local universities.</p> <p>Study tours organized in Mexico, Peru and Chile.</p> <p>The meeting considered the progress, problems and future COMPAL activities in Central American beneficiary countries.</p> <p>Raising the awareness of government officials on different competition issues, in particular on competition law enforcement and the</p>

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		2008 on sectors of key importance to the Nicaraguan economy.	consumer associations and business circles	implementation of national competition policies.
Niger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Peer Review</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Within the framework of the West African Monetary Union (WAEMU), a national training seminar on the implementation of the WAEMU common competition rules was organised in cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU (29 May - 2 June 2007, Niamey). Representatives of Niger participated in regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU held in 2006 in Côte d'Ivoire, Togo, Guinea Bissau and Benin and in 2007 in Senegal, as well as in two regional meetings held in 2007 in Benin.</p> <p>For details of a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy and other activities see also WAEMU</p> <p>UNCTAD participated in the regional meeting of the Steering Committee of WAEMU capacity building project competition policy</p>	<p>Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p> <p>Members of the steering committee representing the Member States</p>	<p>Links were created between the WAEMU Commission and Guinea Bissau in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member States.</p> <p>Enhancement of awareness on activities undertaken within the project for the year 2007, and dissemination of the main conclusions and recommendations of the WAEMU's peer review.</p>

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		held on 7-11 April 2007 in Niamey, Niger.		
Peru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity Building</li> </ul>	<p>Between 2006 and 2008, the COMPAL programme assisted Peru by producing in-depth sectoral studies, providing assistance to INDECOPI both in competition and consumer protection issues. For assistance in the area of competition and consumer protection legislation, in particular monitoring and dissemination meetings held in Costa Rica (2007) and COMPAL events held in Accra (2008), see Costa Rica.</p> <p>Launching COMPAL II programme and dissemination event on the results of COMPAL I was held in Lima on 27-28 April 2009</p>	<p>Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p> <p>Government officials including representatives of the national competition authority</p>	<p>Studies on the status and conditions of competition in key markets were prepared. Assistance was provided to better implement the Peruvian competition law and policy, to enhance INDECOPI' s capacity to implement consumer protection measures, to encourage small businesses to join formal sector. Assistance in the preparation of national workshops organized jointly with INDECOPI</p> <p>Launching of COMPAL II programme</p>
Rwanda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> <li>• Capacity</li> </ul>	<p>UNCTAD secretariat provided commentaries to the draft Competition bill (October 2008)</p> <p>National workshop on Competition Law and</p>	<p>Government officials (Ministry of Trade and Industry)</p> <p>Officials from the</p>	<p>Assistance in drafting competition legislation</p> <p>Finalization of the draft Competition Bill taking</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>building</li> <li>Advisory services</li> </ul>	<p>Policy (Kigali, 18 November 2008), consultations with government officials in charge of the finalization of the draft Competition Bill (19-20 November 2008)</p> <p>Consultative meeting on the interface between competition authority and sector regulators (Kigali, 17-20 Jan. 2009)</p>	<p>MTI, judiciary, sectors regulators, representatives of business circles and academia.</p> <p>Officials from the Ministry of Trade and sector regulators</p>	<p>into consideration (a) relationship between a competition authority and sector regulators and (b) relationship between the Bill and other business-related rules and regulations.</p> <p>Agreement on the provisions related to sector regulation in national competition legislation</p>
<b>Sao Tome and Principe</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Participation in the second Lusophone Conference on Competition organized by UNCTAD in cooperation with the Portuguese competition authority (29-30 May 2006, Lisbon) with the participation of representatives of eight Lusophone countries.</p>	<p>Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p>	<p>Facilitating access to competition expertise in Portuguese, available in Brazil, EU, Portugal and UNCTAD.</p>
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building, advisory services</li> </ul>	<p>A meeting to discuss the newly adopted competition law and its application guidelines was in held in Riyadh on 25-29 September 2006. In this connection, UNCTAD provided commentaries on the law and made proposals for the preparation of secondary legislations</p> <p>Saudi Arabia was also assisted by way of preparing a report on the institutional</p>	<p>Government officials, including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p>	<p>Assistance in the field of drafting competition legislation and establishing a competition agency.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>framework for the establishment of a competition agency and organisation of a workshop for the newly appointed commissioners to review the report and prepare internal proceedings.</p> <p>Two study tours were organized - to the Swiss Competition Commission in February and to the German Cartel Office in June 2007.</p> <p>UNCTAD organized a national stakeholder meeting (11 September 2007, Riyadh).</p>	<p>Competition officials</p> <p>Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p>	<p>The purpose of the study tour to the Swiss Competition Commission was to discuss the internal organization of a competition agency and to seek advice on internal working procedures, in particular on the handling of confidential information. During the visit to the German Cartel Office, views were exchanged on how to handle investigation of large mergers without burdening business through notifications and delays.</p> <p>Meeting for the launching of the Saudi Competition Council and for explaining the purpose and scope of the new Competition Act.</p>
Senegal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Within the framework of the West African Monetary Union (WAEMU), a national training seminar on the implementation of the WAEMU common competition rules was organised in</p>	<p>Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors</p>	<p>Links were created between the WAEMU Commission and Guinea Bissau in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> <li>• Peer Review</li> </ul>	<p>cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU (5-9 June 2006, Dakar). Representatives of Senegal also participated in regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU held in 2006 in Côte d'Ivoire, Togo, Guinea Bissau and Benin, as well as in two regional meetings held in 2007 in Benin.</p> <p>A regional seminar on common competition rules of WAEMU was also held on 10 - 14 December 2007 in Dakar. This seminar was organized jointly with the WAEMU secretariat for the judges of the WAEMU Competition Court.</p> <p>For details of a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy and other activities see WAEMU</p>	<p>regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p> <p>Judges, layers and public prosecutors.</p>	<p>national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member States.</p> <p>Complex economic theories were explained to judges, layers and public prosecutors.</p>
South Africa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> <li>• Inter-agency</li> </ul>	<p>Consultations on proposed peer review of Competition Appeal Court (Pretoria, 19-20 July 2007).</p> <p>In cooperation with the International</p>	<p>Members of Competition Appeal Court Bench</p> <p>Government officials,</p>	<p>Work on peer review to commence January 2009 with assistance of international consultants.</p> <p>Advocacy activity - wide dissemination to</p>

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	<p>cooperation: capacity building.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For details of other activities see also SACU</li> </ul>	<p>Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada and Trade Law Center for Southern Africa (TRALAC), UNCTAD organized on 4 October 2006 in Cape Town a regional workshop.</p> <p>National consultative and information gathering workshop was co-organized by UNCTAD and SACU secretariat (Pretoria, 26-27 February 2007).</p>	<p>sectors regulators, representatives of regional trade groupings, consumer groups, business circles and academia</p> <p>Country based SACU issues coordinators, Department of Trade, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Finance, South African Competition Commission, South African Revenue Service (SARS)</p>	<p>member States and regional trade groupings of the findings of a report on regional cooperation on competition law and policy as a tool for development and integration. A new UNCTAD/IDRC publication on Implementing Competition Provisions was also presented and commented at the TRALAC Annual Conference held on 20-21 September 2007 in Cape Town</p> <p>See SACU</p>
Saint Lucia	See CARICOM and OECS	<p>A regional CARICOM Workshop (27-29 November 2006).</p> <p>A regional OECS meeting (30 November 2006).</p>	See CARICOM and OECS	See CARICOM and OECS

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Sudan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services</li> </ul>	UNCTAD provided advice regarding the draft competition legislation (2006).	Government	Assistance in drafting competition legislation
Swaziland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services</li> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Preparation of competition regulations (2006/2007)</p> <p>Recommendations for the fine tuning of Competition Bill (2006)</p> <p>National consultative and information gathering workshop was co-organized by UNCTAD and SACU secretariat (Manzini, 5-6 March 2007). It was discussing and seeking answers to the questionnaire prepared by UNCTAD</p> <p>Assistance in assessing the first merger application made to newly established</p>	<p>Ministry of enterprise and Employment, Attorney General's</p> <p>Country based SACU issues coordinators Ministry of Trade officials, Ministry of Finance, Sugar Farmers representatives, Attorney general's Office, representatives of consumer groups, chamber of Commerce.</p> <p>Staff of the Swaziland Competition</p>	<p>Enactment of Competition Law and establishment of competition authority</p> <p>See SACU</p> <p>Skills were transferred in the area of merger assessment</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory services</li> <li>• Advisory services</li> <li>• For other activities see also ESA and SACU</li> </ul>	<p>Competition Commission (August-September 2008)</p> <p>Assistance to the Competition Commission is assessing a merger case in the energy sector (29 september-9 October 2008)</p> <p>Workshop on Investment Agreements and Competition Policy ( Mbabane, 18-20 March 2009)</p>	<p>Commission</p> <p>Staff of the Swaziland Competition Commission and other government officials</p> <p>Staff of the Ministry of Trade and Industry</p>	<p>The Government was made aware of anti-competitive practices in the energy sector and has commissioned a consultancy to formulate a national energy policy</p> <p>UNCTAD's technical advice contributed to improving understanding of the EPAs negotiation process</p>
Syria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Participation in the UNDP/UNCTAD meeting on evaluating needs assessment of the competition agency and developing a joint UNDP-UNCTAD project on competition (9-13 February 2009)</p>	<p>Syria Competition Commission, private sector, government departments and state trading agencies</p>	<p>To start the operations of the Syria Competition Commission, raise awareness of the new law among stakeholders, to advocate with government departments and agencies exempt from regulations of the law the need of coherence between competition legislation and other policy objectives</p>

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Tanzania	See ESA			
Timor-Leste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	Participation in the second Lusophone Conference on Competition organized by UNCTAD in cooperation with the Portuguese competition authority (29-30 May 2006, Lisbon) with the participation of representatives of eight Lusophone countries	Government officials, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.	Facilitating access to competition expertise in Portuguese, available in Brazil, EU, Portugal and UNCTAD.
Togo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>A regional seminar on common competition rules of WAEMU was organized jointly with the WAEMU secretariat (7-9 August 2006, Lomé). Representatives of Togo also participated in other regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU held in 2006 in Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea Bissau and Benin and in 2007 in Senegal, as well as in two regional meetings held in 2007 in Benin.</p> <p>A national training seminar on the WAEMU common competition rules was organized in cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU (29 October - 2 November 2007, Lomé).</p>	<p>Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p> <p>Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and</p>	<p>Links were created between the WAEMU Commission and Guinea Bissau in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member states.</p> <p>Participants were appraised of the need for coordination and cooperation in the enforcement of the community competition rules</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peer Review</li> </ul>	For details of a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy and other activities see WAEMU	academia	
Trinidad and Tobago	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services, capacity building</li> </ul>	In 2006 UNCTAD began work on the institutional framework for establishment of the Fair Trade Commission. This report was later submitted to Government and a framework for the establishment of a Competition Commission and other related issues were discussed at a workshop co-organized by UNCTAD and the Ministry of Trade and Industry (12-14 June 2007, Port of Spain).	Ministry of Trade & Industry officials, Attorney General's office officials, representatives of business and academia	Discussions & proposals for the revision of the institutional framework report. In the course of the meeting, consultations were held with government officials on the content of and the compliance with the Fair Trading Act 2006, as well as on the benefits of establishing a Competition Commission. Basic concepts and principles of handling competition cases were discussed with representatives of the local judiciary.
Tunisia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peer Review</li> </ul>	The seventh session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy (Geneva, 31 October – 2 November 2006) provided a framework within which the Voluntary Peer Review on Competition Law and Policy of Tunisia was held	Government officials including representatives of national competition authority and sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of	The Peer Review resulted in several recommendations regarding how the application of the legislation in Tunisia might be made more effective.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inter-agency cooperation: capacity building.</li> </ul>	<p>On 30 June 2008, in coordination with the Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada and Ministry of Commerce, UNCTAD organized the first regional workshop on the “Role of competition policy in the current food crisis”. It was held within the newly established UNCTAD/Tunisia Regional Centre on Competition Policy.</p>	<p>business circles and academia.</p> <p>Competition Authorities, officials from Ministries responsible for price control and food programmes , representatives of consumer protection groups from Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco, Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Mauritania.</p>	<p>The workshop was the first step in maintaining coherence in governments’ approaches to competition policy, taking into account the need for government intervention to alleviate the impact of price hikes on the poor while enforcing the objectives of the competition law.</p>
Turkey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inter-agency cooperation: capacity building.</li> </ul>	<p>In cooperation with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada and the Yeditepe University, UNCTAD organized an International Conference on Competition Provisions in Regional Trade Agreements (on 31 July – 1 August 2006, Istanbul).</p>	<p>Government officials, sectors regulators, representatives of regional trade groupings, consumer groups, business circles and academia</p>	<p>Advocacy activity - wide dissemination to member States and regional trade groupings of the findings of a report on regional cooperation on competition law and policy as a tool for development and integration.</p>
Uganda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services, capacity</li> </ul>	<p>A review meeting of the report on the status of competition and a stakeholders’ meeting were held in 2006 in Uganda.</p>	<p>Ministry of Trade &amp; Industry, Energy Regulatory Board,</p>	<p>Discussions &amp; comments on the report. Participants in the meeting were appraised of the need for coordination and enforcement in the</p>

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	building		Telecommunications Commission, Uganda Sugar Agency, Chamber of Commerce, BAT Uganda and academia	area of competition
Venezuela	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	Regional Seminar on Trade and Competition : Prospects and Future Challenges for Latin America and the Caribbean, Caracas, 20-21 April 2009	Official from ministries and competition authorities from all 27 States members of SELA.	Agreed conclusions and recommendations for a regional agenda on trade and competition for all Latin American and Caribbean countries
Zambia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services</li> <li>For other activities see ESA</li> </ul>	In 2008 the Zambian Competition Commission was assisted in preparing the annual strategic plan for the implementation of its competition legislation and in drafting the terms of reference for the review of competition law and formulation of competition policy.	Zambia Competition Commission	To ensure that the Government commences the process of a complete revision of the Competition and Fair Trading Act. The Government is expected to come up with a national competition policy framework.
Zimbabwe	See ESA			

#### **REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS**

ALADI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	Latin American regional workshop held in Uruguay in December 2006	Latin American government officials,	Greater awareness of the work of UNCTAD in the field of Competition and Consumer Policies
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<b>Andean Community</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	Preparation of studies and reports including for the research project on Competition Provisions in RTAs (2006-2007)	AC member countries, AC Secretariat	Assistance to AC member countries in the implementation of the Decision 608 related competition regulation (studies, reports, exchange of experiences)
<b>CARICOM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> <li>See also OECS</li> </ul>	Regional Workshop on Investigating Consumer Complaints for CARICOM Member States (Saint Lucia, 27 - 29 November 2006).	Representatives of 8 CARICOM member states from competition authorities, sector regulators, consumer agencies and consumer.	Training and exchange of experience on the enforcement of national and regional consumer protection issues.
<b>COMESA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services, capacity building</li> </ul>	Following UNCTAD's assistance in the drafting of competition legislation to member States of the COMESA and the adoption of the common competition regulations and rules, UNCTAD continued to provide assistance to oversee the implementation and enforcement of competition law and policy across the regional economy.	Newly appointed COMESA commissioners, COMESA secretariat and member States representatives.	To assist the newly established COMESA Competition Commission in the implementation of the regional competition regulations and rules, as well as to assist the newly appointed Commissioners, UNCTAD provided a resource person for the seminar held in Lilongwe, Malawi on 9-10 April 2008.

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ECOWAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>UNCTAD organized together with ECOWAS and WAEMU secretariats regional seminars for participants from ECOWAS/WAEMU member States held on 30 April - 2 May 2008 in Bamako, Mali.</p>	<p>Competition experts, sector regulators, representatives of consumer associations and private sector from ECOWAS member States</p>	<p>The first of these meetings, the Regional Training and Information seminar on competition Law and Policy in ECOWAS was aimed at introducing the draft regional competition rules and discussing the regional regulatory framework on competition policy. The second seminar provided an exchange of views among competition experts from ECOWAS, WAEMU and UNCTAD on the ways of using the WAEMU experience in promoting common competition rules in Western Africa.</p>
<p>ESA (Eastern and southern Africa network)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>A regional basic competition seminar for ESA countries (Botswana, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe) was organized by UNCTAD in collaboration with Zambia Competition Commission and the Competition and Tariff Commission of Zimbabwe in Siavonga, Zambia, on 26-30 May 2008.</p>	<p>Officials from competition authorities of Kenya, Malawi, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia &amp; Zimbabwe and government officials dealing with trade and competition matters from Botswana, Mauritius, and Mozambique .</p>	<p>The seminar enhanced skills concerning the administration and enforcement of competition law and policy to officials responsible for investigation of anti-competitive practices and merger control enforcement in many ESA countries. Provided understanding of basic competition concepts and a framework for further training especially for countries without competition legislations and corresponding agencies.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services</li> </ul>	<p>Assistance during the meetings held in Lilongwe, Malawi on 19-21 April and in Lusaka on 4-8 May 2008.</p>	<p>Government officials from ESA States dealing with ESA-EU-EPA negotiations</p>	<p>Within the framework of the ESA-EU Economic Partnership Agreement negotiations, UNCTAD provided technical advise on the preparation of the ESA-EU competition and consumer policy text and other related issues.</p>
OECS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory services</li> </ul>	<p>Detailed commentary on possible implementation of CARICOM competition rules at sub-regional level and establishment of OECS competition authority (Saint Lucia, 30 November 2006).</p> <p>Recommendations on possible points for further elaboration and clarification in CARICOM competition rules in the context of sub-regional and national implementation (Saint Lucia, 30 November 2006).</p>	<p>OECS Secretariat, representatives of 2 OECS countries, CARICOM Secretariat</p>	<p>Assistance with the formulation of the OECS competition law and authority.</p>

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SACU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>UNCTAD continued its assistance to SACU in the in the preparation and operationalization of the SACU Agreement on provisions on competition and unfair trade practices. A series on national consultative and information-gathering workshops for the development of the SACU Cooperation Agreement on Competition Policy Enforcement and an Annex on Unfair Trade Practices (Art. 40 and 41 of SACU agreement) were co-organized by UNCTAD and the SACU secretariat in Windhoek (Namibia) from 11 to 12 December 2006, in Maseru (Lesotho) from 14 to 15 December 2006, in Gaborone (Botswana) from 18 to 19 December 2006, in Pretoria (South Africa) on 26-27 February 2007, Windhoek (Namibia) on 1-2 March 2007 and Manzini (Swaziland) on 5-6 March 2007. The meeting were discussing and seeking answers to the questionnaire prepared by UNCTAD.</p> <p>A SACU Technical Workshop for the development of the SACU Draft Cooperation Agreement on Competition Policy Enforcement and an Annex on Unfair Trade Practices (Art. 40 and 41 of SACU agreement) was co-organized by UNCTAD and the SACU</p>	<p>Country based SACU Issues coordinators (Ministry responsible for Trade in each Country), and stakeholders including other government officials, sectors regulators (banking, telecommunications, energy etc) judiciary ( Attorney General's Office), consumer groups, business (Chamber of Commerce) and academia.</p> <p>Competition and trade experts from SACU countries, Namibian stakeholders.</p>	<p>A draft agreement was submitted to the SACU Secretariat.</p> <p>Finalizing Art. 40 for presentation to the Council of Ministers of SACU and agreement on the follow-up work on Art. 41 of SACU agreement.</p>

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		secretariat in Windhoek (Namibia) from 23 to 25 march 2009.		
<b>SADC</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory service</li> </ul>	Advisory assistance on the implementation of the SADC Cooperation Agreement on Competition Law and Policy (Gaborone, Botswana, 25-27 August 2008)	Representatives of SADC secretariat and SADC member states	Awareness building in the area of the implementation of the SADC Cooperation Agreement on Competition Law and Policy
<b>SELA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Venezuela</li> </ul>			
<b>WAEMU</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	In the West African Monetary Union (WAEMU), five national training seminars on the implementation of the WAEMU common competition rules were organised in cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU in	Government officials including staff of the national competition authority, sectors regulators, judiciary,	Links were created between the WAEMU Commission and Guinea Bissau in the areas of effective enforcement of common competition rules, identification of areas of concern for national competition authorities and sectors

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>five member states: 29 May - 2 June, Niamey (Niger); 5-9 June, Dakar (Senegal); 3-7 July, Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso); 11-15 September; Bamako (Mali) and on 20-21 November 2006 in Cotonou (Benin). In this connexion, four regional seminars on common competition rules of WAEMU were held in Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire) on 28-30 June, Lomé (Togo) on 7-9 August, Bissau (Guinea Bissau) on 2-5 October and in Cotonou (Benin) on 22-24 November 2006.</p> <p>In 2007 assistance continued to be provided to members of the WAEMU on the implementation on common competition rules. In this connexion, UNCTAD organised two regional meetings held on 26-27 March 2007 in Cotonou (Benin).</p>	<p>representatives of business circles and academia</p> <p>Staff of national competition authorities, sectors regulators, government officials and representatives of business circles and academia</p>	<p>regulators, as well as the need for conducting an in-depth peer review of competition policy for WAEMU and its member states.</p> <p>UNCTAD assistance helped to identify areas of concern for national competition authorities and sectors regulators, as well as conducting an in-depth review of skills and resource needs of member states. The first of the meetings in Cotonou discussed the main findings and recommendations of the UNCTAD peer review report on competition policy, and the second assessed the work undertaken in 2006 within the framework of the implementation of the UNCTAD/WAEMU capacity building project on competition policy.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>A regional seminar on common competition rules of WAEMU was also held on 10 - 14 December 2007 in Dakar (Senegal). This seminar was organized jointly with the WAEMU secretariat for the judges of the WAEMU Competition Court.</p>	<p>Judges, layers and public prosecutors.</p>	<p>Complex economic theories were explained to judges, layers and public prosecutors.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>Two national training seminars on the WAEMU common competition rules were organised in cooperation with the secretariat of WAEMU: 24 - 28 September in Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire) and 29 October - 2 November 2007 in Lomé (Togo).</p>	<p>Government officials including staff of the national competition authorities, sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia</p>	<p>Two WAEMU member states were appraised of the need for coordination and cooperation in the enforcement of the community competition rules</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity building</li> </ul>	<p>In March 2007 a study tour to the Swiss competition authority was also organized a WAEMU delegation, headed by a WAEMU Commissioner</p>	<p>Representatives of the WAEMU Secretariat</p>	<p>Training and exchange of experience as a follow-up to the recommendations of the voluntary Peer Review on competition rules held during the 8<sup>th</sup> session of the IGE in July 2007</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peer Review</li> </ul>	<p>The eight session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and</p>	<p>Government officials including representatives of</p>	<p>The Peer Review highlighted the challenges and opportunities which developing countries face in strengthening their regional cooperation and</p>

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		<p>Policy (Geneva, 17 -19 July 2007) provided a framework within which UNCTAD held a voluntary Peer Review on competition law and policy of the WAEMU and its 8 member States. It was the first review of a regional grouping's competition policy in an international setting.</p>	<p>national competition authority and sectors regulators, judiciary, representatives of business circles and academia.</p>	<p>integration schemes. The Peer Review produced a range of recommendations regarding how the application of the legislation at regional and national levels might be made more effective. UNCTAD formulated a regional project to build capacity for enforcement and advocacy of competition policy at the regional and national levels with a view to disseminating the outcomes of the Peer Review and assist in the implementation of the recommendations.</p>