UNCTAD LATEST DEVELOPMENTS

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Competition policy and SMEs resurgence

• In collaboration with UN Regional Economic Commissions
• Delivered recommendations and country studies on Thailand, South Africa, Brazil
• Launched online course on Competition policy and SMEs
• Drafted Recommended Best Practices for Digital Platforms
INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP OF EXPERTS ON
Competition law and policy, twentieth session

20-22 July 2022, Palais des Nations
High impact discussions:

- Rethinking competition law enforcement: Lessons learned from the pandemic, particularly in socially important markets

- Voluntary peer review on competition law and policy: Bangladesh

- The role of competition law and policy in supporting the micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) during the economic recovery in the post COVID-19 period

Report of the meeting (TD/B/C.1/CLP/66)
High impact discussions (2):

- Crossroads: how to better address the interplay between competition, consumer and data protection policies in the digital era

- Report of Working Groups on cross border cartels and modalities for UNCTAD peer review exercises

- UNCTAD’s capacity-building in and technical assistance on competition law and policy

- Presentation of UNCTAD Review of Maritime Transport

Report of the meeting *(TD/B/C.I/CLP/66)*
Strong mandate in Agreed conclusions:

Renewal of the mandate for Working Group on cross-border cartels

New issues to be discussed:
* Competition law enforcement issues raised by monopsonies
* Inter-action between competition and industrial policies
* Competition law and policy and sustainability

Voluntary Peer Review on Competition Law and Policy: Paraguay

Report of the meeting (TD/B/C.I/CLP/66)
Some of the recent research on relevant topics
UNCTAD recent relevant Research and Analysis on Competition policy and the Digital Economy
Cascading crisis (2022): is there a role for Competition policy?
Thank you!

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https://unctad.org/Topic/Competition-and-Consumer-Protection