



The Competition Commission of Pakistan celebrated WCD (2014)



The Competition and Fair Trading Commission (Malawi) organised a march in Malawi on WCD (2015)



CUTS Ghana organised a Policy Dialogue on "Cement Market: Issue of Competition or Unfair Trade Practice?" on WCD (2016)



The State Commission for Protection of Economic Competition of Armenia celebrated WCD (2017)

WORLD COMPETITION DAY

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Digital Economy, Innovation and Competition

Considering the disruptive business models based on continuous innovation in today's digital economy, the theme selected for WCD 2018 was 'Digital Economy, Innovation and Competition'. The digital economy is a major driver of economic growth in the 21st century and is fuelled by the rapid emergence of digital innovations. These innovations lie at the heart of the digital economy.

The 2018 Activity Report showcases the activities undertaken by different countries across the globe to commemorate the World Competition Day on December 5, 2018.

This document can be accessed at:
https://incsoc.net/pdf/Activities_World_Competition_Day-2018.pdf



Georgian Competition Agency hosted a seminar on "EU Support in the Field of Competition" (2018)



Global Support since 2010



Philippines adopted 5th December as the National Competition Day

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Website: <https://incsoc.net/world-competition-day>

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Why & What?

International days are observed to secure attention of the society at large on certain specific and relevant aspects of contemporary human development. Increased awareness and informed public opinion have been formed on a number of issues, once public attention on these issues were focussed by dedicating a certain date of the calendar year around them.

In order to ensure that consumers and producers from across the world realise the potential benefits from an effectively implemented competition regime, and also play their role in making competition regimes work worldwide, it is critical that focus on competition policy and law issues at an international level be strengthened. Consumer Unity & Trust Society (CUTS International) has been advocating for the need to dedicate a day in the calendar as “World Competition Day.”

The International Network of Civil Society Organisations on Competition (INCSOC, www.incsoc.net), hosted by CUTS International, proposed that the World Competition Day be observed for the first time on December 5th 2010.

Why 5th December?

5th December is a significant day in the calendar for the international competition community. On 5th December 1980, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the United Nations Set of Multilateral Principles and Rules for the Control of Restrictive Business Practices (UN Set on Competition Policy). Thus, it is important that the date of 5th December, 1980, be remembered and observed each year as the World Competition Day (refer: https://incsoc.net/pdf/10th_Call_for_World_Competition_Day.pdf).

Themes

A specific theme is identified each year to celebrate World Competition Day on 5th December and pursued throughout the year, globally. Below are the themes identified and celebrated since 2010.

International Air-transport Cartels and its Impact on Developing Countries	1 st WCD (2010)
Cartels and their Harmful Effects on Consumers	2 nd WCD (2011)
Adverse Impact of Cartels on the poor	3 rd WCD (2012)
Adverse Impact of Cartels on the poor	4 th WCD (2013)
Competition Issues in Public Procurement	5 th WCD (2014)
Competition Issues in Public Procurement	6 th WCD (2015)
Linkages between Competition and Intellectual Property	7 th WCD (2016)
Re-imagining Competition Policy and Law in the Era of Disruption	8 th WCD (2017)
Digital Economy, Innovation and Competition	9 th WCD (2018)
Ensuring Effective Competition in an Increasingly Online World	10 th WCD (2019)

Actions from around the Globe...

Competition agencies, institutions, CSOs and other stakeholders, etc. organised awareness programmes and various activities to celebrate World Competition Day (Refer: <https://incsoc.net/world-competition-day>).

Supported by UNCTAD since the year 2012.

CUTS celebrated WCD (2010), India



Albania Competition Commission celebrating WCD (2011)



The Hungarian Competition Authority held a conference on the impact of cartels on the poor on WCD (2012)



Competition Promotion and Consumer Protection Directorate (CPCPD), Afghanistan witnessed the celebration of WCD (2013)

