



# Comparative Frameworks in EAC Countries' Competition Law: A Survey

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## Abstract

This study examines competition law frameworks in East African Community (EAC) countries with a focus on South Africa. A structured questionnaire was administered to legal experts in each country to gather data on the current state of their respective competition laws. The responses were analysed quantitatively for thematic analysis. The findings revealed a notable theme of inconsistent application across countries, with South Africa showing a higher proportion (45%) of compliant practices compared to other EAC nations. Despite efforts towards harmonization, significant disparities remain in how competition laws are implemented and enforced within the EAC region. This study recommends more robust intergovernmental cooperation mechanisms to address inconsistencies observed.

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