



# Comparative Frameworks of Competition Law in East African Community Countries: A Focus on Djibouti

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## Abstract

This study examines competition law frameworks in East African Community (EAC) countries with a focus on Djibouti. A comparative analysis approach was employed, involving an examination of legislative texts, case law, and regulatory documents. Expert interviews were also conducted to gather insights into the practical application of competition laws in Djibouti. The findings reveal significant disparities in the implementation of competition laws among EAC countries, with Djibouti showing a particular emphasis on anti-corruption measures within its framework. This study concludes that while all EAC member states have adopted some form of competition law, Djibouti's approach is notable for its robustness in combating corruption and ensuring fair market practices. Recommendations include harmonizing the competition laws across the EAC region to ensure uniformity and effectiveness, with a particular focus on enhancing enforcement mechanisms and anti-corruption measures.

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