



Comparative Frameworks in East African Competition Law Enforcement

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Abstract

The East African Community (EAC) has established a common competition law framework to harmonize regulations across its member states in Kenya and other countries. The research employs both qualitative interviews and quantitative data analysis to explore perceptions of law enforcement effectiveness and compliance practices in Kenya's legal system. Interviews revealed that while all EAC countries aim for uniformity, the level of implementation varies significantly, with Kenya demonstrating a more robust framework due to its proactive regulatory approach. The study concludes that harmonization efforts are hindered by varying enforcement capacities among member states. Policy recommendations include enhanced training and resources for law enforcement agencies. Develop and implement targeted training programmes for judicial officers and prosecutors in EAC countries, focusing on the nuances of competition law in their respective jurisdictions.

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