

Chairman Dr. Kusha Haraksingh participates in the Seventh UN Review Conference (UN Set), 6-10th July 2015

The Seventh UN Review Conference marks the 35th anniversary of the adoption by the United Nations Set of Multilaterally Agreed Equitable Principles and Rules for the Control of Restrictive Business Practices (UN Set).

United Nations Member States are meeting from 6-10 July 2015 in Geneva to reaffirm the validity of the only multilateral instrument adopted by the UN General Assembly in the area of Competition Policy, the so-called UN Set on competition. This instrument was adopted in 1980 and member States have reaffirmed its validity six times.

The key facets of the UN Set:

- Provides a set of equitable rules for the control of anti-competitive practices
- Recognizes the development dimension of competition law and policy
- Provides a framework for international operation and exchange of best practices

Every five years since the adoption of the United Nations Set, a Review Conference has been held, providing an occasion for heads of competition authorities and senior officials of developed and developing countries, including least developed countries (LDCs) and economies in transition, to establish direct contacts and networking among themselves for voluntary cooperation and the exchange of best practices.

This framework also provides vital technical assistance and capacity-building for interested member States so that they are better equipped to use competition law and policy for development.

The CCC views these important international competition events as opportunities to keep competition practitioners informed of the steps taken towards regional implementation of Community Competition Law and Policy in the Caribbean Single Market and Economy (CSME). It also provides the CCC with an opportunity to remind more developed competition jurisdictions of the special circumstances and factors that influence the practice of competition law enforcement in small developing states.