ACT
of 16 February 2007
ON THE PROTECTION OF COMPETITION AND CONSUMERS¹)

(Dziennik Ustaw 2007, No. 50, item 331, No. 99, item 660, No. 171, item 1206; 2008, No. 157, item 976, No. 223, item 458, No. 227, item 1505; 2009, No. 18, item 97, No. 157, item 1241; 2011, No. 34, item 173)

SECTION I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. 1. This Act determines the conditions for furthering and protecting competition and the rules on protection extended in the public interest to interests of entrepreneurs and consumers.

2. This Act shall govern the conditions and procedures for counteracting competition-restricting practices and practices infringing collective consumer interests, as well as anti-competitive concentrations of entrepreneurs and combinations thereof, where such practices or concentrations produce or are capable of producing effects on the territory of the Republic of Poland.

3. Furthermore, this Act shall identify the authorities competent for matters of protection of competition and consumers.

Article 2. 1. This Act shall be without prejudice to the rights arising under the provisions on the protection of intellectual and industrial property, in particular under the provisions on the protection of inventions, utility models and industrial designs, topographies of integrated circuits, trademarks, geographical indications, copyright and neighbouring rights.

2. This Act shall apply to:
   1) contracts entered into by entrepreneurs, in particular licensing contracts, likewise to practices, other than contracts, used in exercise of the rights referred to in paragraph 1;
   2) contracts entered into by entrepreneurs pertaining to such unpublished:
      a) technical or technological information;
      b) principles of organization and management
      – in respect whereof measures designed to prevent disclosure have been taken, where the said contracts give rise to an unreasonable restriction of the parties’ freedom to pursue economic activity or a significant restriction of competition on the market.