International Investment Policy Reform for Sustainable Development

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AGENDA

10:00-11:00  Welcoming remarks
H.E. Dato’ Ku Jaafar Ku Shaari
D-8 Secretary General
UNCTAD
Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)
Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA)

11:00-11:15  Coffee break

11:15-11:30  D-8 work on investment-related issues
Marwa Lasheen, Director, Economy, Implementation and External Relations, D-8

11:30-12:00  FDI trends in IsDB countries
Mohamed Kamal, Investment Promotion and Regional Cooperation Specialist, IsDB

12:00-12:30  The reform of the international investment policy regime
Hamed El-Kady, Investment Policy Advisor, UNCTAD

12:30-12:45  Inter-active discussion

12:45-13:45  Lunch break

13:45-14:15  Turkey’s new generation BITs
Aslan Akpınar, Head of Department, Ministry of Trade, Turkey

14:15-14:45  Reviewing existing BITs
Patience Okala, Deputy Director, Legal Adviser, Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC)

14:45-15:15  Austria’s perspective on IIA reform
Name, title, WKO-Austrian Trade Commissioner of Istanbul

15:15-15:30  Inter-active discussion

15:30-15:45  Coffee break

15:45-16:15  Terminating outdated BITs
Langkah Samudera, Deputy Director for Trade and Investment Treaties, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Indonesia

16:15-16:30  Group photo
Day 2

10:00-10:30 Investment promotion and facilitation for sustainable development
Name, title, WAIPA

10:30-11:00 Malaysia’s BIT network
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11:00-11:30 Pakistan’s new Model BIT
Rifat Parvez, Director General, Prime Minister’s Office Board of Investment, Pakistan

11:30-12:00 Egypt’s new Model BIT
Moataz Hussein, IIA specialist, GAFI, Egypt

12:00-12:15 Interactive discussion

12:15-12:30 Coffee break

12:30-13:00 Multilateral reform of the investor-State dispute system
Naomi Briercliffe, Senior Associate, Allen & Overy LLP

13:30-13:45 Interactive discussion

13:45-14:30 Lunch break

14:30-15:00 Sweden’s perspective on IIA reform
Name, title, Affiliation

15:00-15:30 Bangladesh’s IIA reform efforts
Ariful Hoque, Director, Bangladesh Investment Development Authority, Bangladesh

15:30-16:00 Non-binding guiding principles for investment policymaking
Hamed El-Kady, Investment Policy Advisor, UNCTAD

16:00-16:15 Final interactive discussion

16:15-16:30 Workshop outcome and closing remarks
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