

9th Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Network

United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok, Thailand

Room: MR-H

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| 08:30 – 09:00 | <i>Registration</i> |
| 09:00-9:15 | Welcome Statement by <i>Mia Mikic, Director, Trade, Investment and Innovation Division (TIID), United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)</i> |
| 9:15-10:30 | <p>Session 1. Sustainable FDI Indicators</p> <p>Introduction by <i>Marc Proksch, Chief, Investment and Enterprise Development Section (IEDS), TIID, ESCAP</i></p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognized Sustainable Investor, by <i>Matthew Stephenson, World Economic Forum, in place of Karl Sauvant, Resident Senior Fellow, Columbia Center on Sustainable Investment, Columbia Law School – Earth Institute, Columbia University</i> • Sustainable FDI Indicators for Kyrgyzstan, Presentation of National study by <i>Nurmambet Toktomatov, ESCAP National Consultant</i> • ESCAP guidebook on SDGs financing needs assessment, <i>Zhenqian Huang, Macroeconomic Policy and Financing for Development Division, ESCAP</i> <p><i>Discussion</i></p> |
| 10:30-10:45 | Break |
| 10:45-11:45 | <p>Session 2. FDI Concerns in Asia and the Pacific: Non-tariff Measures, Growing Protectionism, and Trade Tensions</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-tariff Measures and FDI, by <i>Heather Taylor-Strauss, IEDS, TIID</i> • The Impact of Trade Tensions on FDI, by <i>Henry Loewendahl, CEO, WAVTEQ</i> • Challenges for Asia-Pacific businesses and investment from trade tensions, by <i>Simon Lacey, Vice President, Global Government Affairs, Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd.</i> <p><i>Discussion</i></p> |
| 11:45-12:45 | Lunch in the Public Foyer on the Ground Level of UNCC |

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| 12:45-14:00 | <p>Session 3. Outward Foreign Direct Investment (OFDI) and Home Country Development</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outward FDI and Home Country Governments, <i>by Matthew Stephenson, Policy and Community Lead, International Trade and Investment World Economic Forum</i> • Contributions of OFDI to Home Country Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific, <i>by Jan Knoerich, Senior Lecturer, Kings College of London</i> • Economic Upgrading through OFDI in Home Economies, <i>by Pavida Pananond, Associate Professor of International Business, Thammasat University</i> <p><i>Discussion</i></p> |
| 14:00-15:15 | <p>Session 4. Latest Trends in IIAs</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable Development-oriented IIA reform: UNCTAD policy tools and stocktaking, <i>by Elisabeth Tuerk, Chief International Investment Agreements Section, UNCTAD</i> • Strengthening Coherence and Synergies of International Investment Agreements with National Investment Policies in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), <i>by Viviane Clermont, ESCAP Consultant</i> • The textual evolution of IIA provisions – limitation through expansion?, <i>by Romesh Weeramantry, Counsel, Clifford Chance and Senior Research Fellow, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore</i> • The Appeal System for ISDS Reforms, <i>by Manjiao Chi, Professor and Founding Director, Center of International Economic Law and Policy, Law School, University of International Business and Economics, Beijing</i> • RCEP and its implications for the Asia and Pacific Region, <i>Intan Murnira Ramli, Policy Fellow at ERIA Policy Department</i> <p><i>Discussion</i></p> |
| 15:15-15:30 | <p>Break</p> |
| 15:30-16:30 | <p>Session 5. Public Policies and IIAs: Regulation and Disputes on Environmental Policies</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Concerns related to Investment Activity: Changing Approach of Investment Treaties, <i>by Julien Chaisse, Professor, City University of Hong Kong, School of Law</i> • FDI in Water Services: Privatization, FDI, and Environment Issues, <i>by Xu Qian, Senior Research Fellow, Hong Kong University Faculty of Law</i> • Public Policies, Sustainable Development and International Investment Agreements, <i>by Dilini Pathirana, University of Colombo</i> <p><i>Discussion</i></p> |
| 16:30-17:00 | <p>Wrap Up Session and Closing <i>by Marc Proksch, Chief, IEDS, TIID, ESCAP</i></p> |

