

## WORKING GROUP III 48<sup>TH</sup> SESSION (1–5 April 2024, New York)

### SIDE EVENTS

<p><b>27 March Wednesday</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Réunion francophone OIF: Projet de mise en place d'un mécanisme permanent de règlement des différends relatifs à des investissements internationaux</b></p> <p><i>Organisée par l'Organisation internationale de la francophonie</i></p> <p>Dans la perspective de la 48e session du GT III, l'OIF organisera le <b>mercredi 27 mars 2023</b> une nouvelle réunion en ligne qui portera sur la mise en place d'un mécanisme permanent de règlement des différends relatifs à des investissements internationaux. Principalement destinée à ses Etats et gouvernements membres, elle mobilisera plusieurs experts de différents horizons et vise à permettre aux participants de :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- prendre connaissance des grandes lignes du projet (disponible sur le site de la CNUDCI <a href="#">A/CN.9/WG.III/WP.239</a> et <a href="#">A/CN.9/WG.III/WP.240</a>) et de l'état d'avancement des discussions ;</li> <li>- disposer d'une vision générale des principaux enjeux et implications associés à la mise en place d'un mécanisme permanent et permettre un échange de vues sur le projet à partir de l'expérience des pays francophones.</li> </ul> <p><b>Heure et format: 15h-17h, heure de Paris (UTC+1), en ligne</b> (plateforme Zoom). Pour vous inscrire, veuillez contacter Mme Laurence Arnould: <a href="mailto:laurence.arnould@francophonie.org">laurence.arnould@francophonie.org</a></p>
<p><b>2 April Tuesday</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ISDS Reform: Financing of a Standing Mechanism and an Advisory Centre</b></p> <p><i>Organized by Milbank, New York City Bar Association, and the Max-Planck Institute</i></p> <p>Keynote Speaker: Anna Joubin-Bret, Secretary of UNCITRAL. The full list of panelists is to be confirmed.</p> <p>UNCITRAL Working Group III continues its mandate to work on possible reform of investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS). Key issues that will be discussed during its 48th Session include the creation of an advisory center and a standing multilateral mechanism for the resolution of international investment disputes. Both of these proposals raise a whole host of weighty issues. As always, funding will play a major role in the discussions: who will pay for these mechanisms; what level of funding will they require; how will equal treatment of the parties be ensured; and what roles might other stakeholders, such as third-party funders and civil society, play in these mechanisms. Our panelists will debate the pros and cons behind these reforms, with the goal of understanding their true impact if implemented.</p> <p><b>Time and venue: 18:30-20:30, Milbank LLP   55 Hudson Yards, MPR1   New York, NY 10001.</b> Please register via this <a href="#">link</a>.</p>
<p><b>3 April Wednesday</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Proposed Guide on ISDS management</b></p> <p><i>Organized by the International Law Institute</i></p> <p>Speaker: Carlos Valderamma</p> <p>Mr. Carlos Valderamma, former chairman of the Peruvian Special Commission on settlement of investment disputes, will present a guide on the management of ISDS disputes for respondent States, building on the experience of the Peruvian State defense management.</p> <p><b>Time and venue: 13:15-14:00, Room CR-C (across the conference room CR-2)</b></p>