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EIGHTH INTERSESSIONAL MEETING OF UNCITRAL WORKING GROUP III ON INVESTOR-STATE DISPUTE SETTLEMENT REFORM

24-25 OCTOBER 2024, SHANGRI-LA HOTEL, CHENGDU, CHINA

UNCITRAL Working Group III continues its mandate to work on possible reform of investor-State dispute settlement (ISDS). Key issues concerning an appellate mechanism and a multilateral instrument on ISDS Reform will be further discussed at this intersessional meeting. The panels will engage in in-depth discussions aimed at advancing the current reform process and understanding the possible implications of these reforms.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Day 1 : 24 October 2024

08:30-09:00	Registration and welcome tea/coffee
09:00-09:30	Welcoming remarks
09:30-09:45	Group photo and short break
09:45-11:00	Panel I - An appellate mechanism for ISDS: rationale and implications
11:00–11:15	Tea/Coffee break
11:15-12:30	Panel II - Structuring an appellate mechanism
12:30-14:30	Lunch break and side event
14:30-15:45	Panel III - Key components of an appellate mechanism
15:45-16:00	Tea/Coffee break
16:00-17:30	Panel IV - Impact of an appeal on the first-tier proceeding and award as well as on other proceedings
17:40-19:00	Dinner reception hosted by the Government of the People's Republic

of China

Day 2 : 25 October 2024

09:00-09:30	Welcome tea/coffee
09:30-10:50	Panel V - Standing mechanism and issues relating to an appellate mechanism
10:50-11:05	Tea/Coffee break
11:05-12:25	Panel VI - Multilateral instrument on ISDS reform and issues relating to an appellate mechanism
12:25-14:30	Lunch break and side event
14:30-16:00	Roundtable discussion I (closed to WG III delegates)
16:00-16:15	Tea/Coffee break
16:15-17:45	Roundtable discussion II (closed to WG III delegates)
17:45-18:00	Closing remarks