Eighth Intersessional Meeting of UNCITRAL Working Group III Investor-State Dispute Settlement Reform

Agenda

October 24

08:30-09:00 Registration 09:00-09:30 Welcome Remarks

Speakers: LI Fei Vice Minister, Ministry of Commerce, People's Republic of China

> Anna Joubin-Bret Secretary, United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) WANG Chengiie Vice Chairman and Secretary General, China International Economic and Trade

> > Arbitration Commission (CIETAC)

Shane Spelliscy Chair of United Nations Commission On International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

Working Group III

09:30-09:45 Group Photo

09:45-11:00 Panel I: An Appellate Mechanism for ISDS: Rationale and Implications

Moderator: JI Wenhua Professor of School of Law, University of International Business and Economics

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Panelists: Anna Joubin-Bret Secretary, United Nations Commission On International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

> Michael Imran Kanu Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Sierra Leone to the United Nations

Peter van den Bossche Former Director of Studies, World Trade Institute (WTI)

Teresa CHENG Founding Member, Asian Academy of International Law (AAIL)

11:00-11:15 Tea/Coffee Break

11:15-12:30 Panel II: Structuring an Appellate Mechanism

Moderator: LIANG Danni Associate Professor of School of Law, Sun Yat-Sen University Panelists: Senior Director/Senior State Counsel of International Affairs Division, Chin Heng ONG

Attorney-General's Chambers, Singapore

Margie-Lys Jaime Head of Investment Arbitration Office. Ministry of Finance and Economy.

Republic of Panama

Seung Wha Chang Chairman, Korean Commercial Arbitration Board (KCAB) INTERNATIONAL

Senior Legal Counsel, Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) Evgeniya Goriatcheva

12:30-14:30 Lunch and side event: Asian Academy of International Law - Assessment of damages and compensation

Moderator: Teresa CHENG Founding Member, Asian Academy of International Law (AAIL)

Panelists: Justin LI Associate at Willkie Farr & Gallagher

> LUN Yaoguo Managing Director at FTI Consulting

Michele Potestà Partner, Lévy Kaufmann-Kohler (Switzerland)

Deborah Aba Aikins First Secretary and Legal Advisor of Embassy and Permanent Mission of Ghana to

the United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna

O&A Session

14:30-15:45 Panel III: Key components of an Appellate Mechanism

Moderator: ZHU Ying Assistant Professor at Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong

Panelists: Aurélia Antonietti Senior Legal Adviser, International Centre for Settlement of Investment

Disputes (ICSID)

Lai Thi Van Anh Deputy Director General of Department of International Law, Ministry of Justice of

Viet Nam

SHI Jinaxia Wu Yuzhang Chair Professor of School of Law, Renmin University of China (RUC)

Nora Bellec Legal Officer at Directorate General for Trade, European Commission

Counselor of Legal Advisor's Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Worship, Eduardo Cagnoni

Argentine Republic

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

Moderator: SUN Huawei Partner, Zhong Lun Law Firm

Panelists: Michele Potestà Partner, Lévy Kaufmann-Kohler (Switzerland)

> Professor of International Law, Graduate Institute of International and Development Joost Pauwelyn

Studies, Co-founder of European Office, Cassidy Levy Kent (Europe)

David Bigge Chief of Investment Arbitration, Department of State, United States

Simon Batifort Partner, Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle LLP

SUN Zhao Director of Investment Law Division in the Department of Treaty and Law, Ministry

of Commerce of China (MOFCOM)

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09:00-09:30 Welcome tea/coffee

09:30-10:50 Panel V: Standing Mechanism and issues relating to an Appellate Mechanism

Moderator: SHAN Wenhua Assistant President, Senior Professor in Humanities and Social Sciences,

Dean of Law School, Xi'an Jiaotong University

Panelists: Alexis Choquet Deputy Head of International Trade and Investment Unit, French Treasury

Dafina Atanasova Economic Affairs Officer, UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

Moritz Lumma Head of the Foreign Investment Division, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs

and Climate Action, Germany

Deborah Aba Aikins First Secretary and Legal Advisor of Embassy and Permanent Mission of Ghana

to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna

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

Moderator: Jae Sung LEE Senior Legal Officer, Secretariat of United Nations Commission On International

Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

Panelists: Colin Brown Head of Unit, Legal Aspects of Trade and Sustainable Development and Investment

at Directorate General for Trade, European Commission

Kraijakr Thiratayakinant Counsellor at Department of Treaties and Legal Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

of Thailand

Mariana Pinto Schmidt Legal Advisor to the Investment, Services and Digital Economy Department,

Undersecretariat of International Economic Affairs of Chile

Taylor ST JOHN Researcher at PluriCourts, University of Oslo

CHI Manjiao Professor and Founding Director of Center for International Economic Law and

Policy of School of Law, University of International Business and Economics (UIBE)

12:25-14:30 Lunch and side event: Law School, Sichuan University; Sichuan University Collaborative Training
Innovative Base for Foreign-related Legal Talents - ISDS Reform: Practical

Dilemma and Institutional Reconstruction

Addresser: ZUO Weimin Distinguished Professor and the Dean of the Law School, Sichuan University (SCU)

Moderator: WANG Junjie Professor and Head of Investment Law & Policy in the Law School, Sichuan University

(SCU)

Speakers: SHI Jingxia Wu Yuzhang Chair Professor of School of Law, Renmin University of China (RUC)

CHI Manjiao Professor and Founding Director of Center for International Economic Law and

Policy of School of Law, University of International Business and Economics (UIBE)

ZHANG Qianwen Associate Professor and Master's Supervisor at Southwest Jiaotong University

(SWJTU)

Q&A Session

14:30-16:00 Roundtable Discussion I (For WG III Delegates Only)

16:00-16:15 Tea/Coffee Break

16:15-17:45 Roundtable Discussion II (For WG III Delegates Only)

17:45-18:00 Closing Remarks