

WORKING GROUP III 48TH SESSION (1–5 April 2024, New York)

SIDE EVENTS

<p>27 March Wednesday</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Réunion francophone OIF: Projet de mise en place d'un mécanisme permanent de règlement des différends relatifs à des investissements internationaux</p> <p><i>Organisée par l'Organisation internationale de la francophonie</i></p> <p><i>Dans la perspective de la 48e session du GT III, l'OIF organisera le mercredi 27 mars 2023 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 :</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>prendre connaissance des grandes lignes du projet (disponible sur le site de la CNUDCI A/CN.9/WG.III/WP.239 et A/CN.9/WG.III/WP.240) et de l'état d'avancement des discussions ;</i> - <i>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.</i> <p>Heure et format: 15h-17h, heure de Paris (UTC+1), en ligne (plateforme Zoom). Pour vous inscrire, veuillez contacter Mme Laurence Arnould: laurence.arnould@francophonie.org</p>
<p>2 April Tuesday</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ISDS Reform: Financing of a Standing Mechanism and an Advisory Centre</p> <p><i>Organized by Milbank, New York City Bar Association, and the Max-Planck Institute</i></p> <p><i>Keynote Speaker: Anna Joubin-Bret, Secretary of UNCITRAL. The full list of panelists is to be confirmed.</i></p> <p><i>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.</i></p> <p>Time and venue: 18:30-20:30, Milbank LLP 55 Hudson Yards, MPR1 New York, NY 10001. Please register via this link.</p>
<p>3 April Wednesday</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Proposed Guide on ISDS management</p> <p><i>Organized by the International Law Institute</i></p> <p><i>Speaker: Carlos Valderrama</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Carlos Valderrama, 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, aimed at helping States outline a general strategy towards ISDS, that will enable them to manage their disputes (and overall relations) with foreign investors, avoiding contradictions and reducing risks and costs.</i></p> <p>Time and venue: 13:15-14:00, Room CR-C (across the conference room CR-2)</p>