

Side events during the resumed 38th session of Working Group III (as of 15 Jan.)

(Vienna, 20-24 January 2020)

* Conference Rooms 1 and 2 are located on the 7th floor of the C-building at the Vienna International Centre.

20 January (Monday)
<p>12:45 – 13:45 Structural reform of ISDS: The Establishment of a Multilateral Investment Court, organized by the European Union and its Member States @ Conference Room 1</p> <p>* Presentation focusing on (i) how a Court would address the concerns identified by the WG (see A/CN.9/WG.III/WP.145) and (ii) how a Court could be set up (see document A/CN.9/WG.III/WP.159/Add.1). The event will be conducted in English with the possibility of posing questions in French and Spanish with answers in the corresponding language.</p>
<p>17:15 – 18:15 5ème Concertation informelle francophone sur le projet de réforme du règlement des différends investisseurs – Etats, organisée par l’Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie (OIF) @ Conference Room 2</p> <p>* Participation sur invitation uniquement (Contact: André Abel Barry, andre-abel.barry@francophonie.org)</p>
21 January (Tuesday)
<p>12:45 – 13:45 Selection and Appointment of Adjudicators: Key Issues and Current Research, organized by the Academic Forum @ Conference Room 2 (For details see here)</p> <p>* This roundtable will discuss Academic Forum papers with a panel of representatives from states, the OECD and PCA. The event will focus on empirical and legal research conducted on 24 international courts and different arbitration systems as well as trade-offs in designing selection and appointment systems for ISDS.</p>
<p>12:30 – 14:00 Introduction of the 2019 Resolution of Equality of Parties before International Investment Tribunals, organized by the Institut de Droit International (IDI)</p> <p>@ Juridicum Building, Room Sem 64, 6th floor, Vienna Law School, Schottenbastei 10-16, A-1010 Vienna</p> <p>* Roundtable with Prof. Campbell McLachlan, Rapporteur of the 18th Commission on Equality of Parties before International Investment Tribunals. Please RSVP to Brigitte.Weidinger@univie.ac.at (+43 1 4277 353 03)</p>
<p>18:00-20:00 Do We Need a Multilateral Investment Court? - Debating ISDS Reform between Enthusiasm and Scepticism, organized by zeiler.partners and IILCC @ Zedlitzgasse 7, 3rd floor: Conference area, A-1010 Vienna</p> <p>* For registration and additional information see here.</p>
22 January (Wednesday)
<p>08:30 – 09:25 Some Far Eastern Perspectives on Investment Arbitration, and Options for Structural Reform, organized by AAIL @ Conference Room 2</p> <p>* This workshop will be conducted by Prof. LIM Chin Leng (The Chinese University of Hong Kong and Keating Chambers, London) and Ms SUN Huawei (Zhong Lun Law Firm), discussing structural reform options for ISDS from Far Eastern perspectives. Contact: events@aail.org</p>
<p>12:40 – 13:40 Shareholder claims and reflective loss, organized by OECD @ Conference Room 2</p> <p>* This introductory session to reflective loss will discuss work at the OECD and elsewhere analysing the differences between ISDS interpretations and standard corporate law, their consequences, and some policy approaches (see A/CN.9/WG.III/WP.170). Contact: David Gaukrodger (david.gaukrodger@oecd.org)</p>
<p>17:15 – 18:00 The APEC Handbook on Obligations in International Investment Treaties, organised by Australia @ Conference Room 2</p> <p>* A presentation by Australia and Prof. Jansen Calamita, Head of Investment Law and Policy at the Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore, will be given on the APEC Handbook, funded by Australia and designed to assist non-specialist frontline government officials to better understand and implement international investment commitments. Copies of the handbook will be available at the presentation.</p>
23 January (Thursday)
<p>12:40-13:40 Informal discussion on A/CN.9/WG.III/WP.182 submitted by Chile, Israel, Japan, Mexico and Peru, organized by the proposing States @ Conference Room 2</p> <p>* The objective is to explain in some detail the content of the proposal and answer any questions. The event will be conducted in English with the possibility of posing questions in French and Spanish with answers in the corresponding language.</p>