NOTIFICATION

Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission
Fourth session

Geneva, 26–30 November 2012

The fourth session of the Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission will be held from 26 to 30 November 2012. It will open at 10 a.m. on Monday, 26 November, in Room XXVI of the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

The Commission will provide an opportunity for member States and investment and development stakeholders to discuss key and emerging issues in the area of investment and enterprise and their implications for sustainable development, as well as policy solutions.

This year’s session will consider the reports and discuss the outcome and recommendations of its expert meetings under agenda item 3 (a)(i) on Investment for Development, (ii) Enterprise Development Policies and Capacity-building in Science, Technology and Innovation and (iii) International Cooperation: South–South Cooperation and Regional Integration on their fourth sessions.

The Commission will also consider the reports of the twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth sessions of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting.

In addition, the Commission will examine and wrap up progress in the implementation of the mandates received in Accra and Doha by the secretariat, identifying areas in which synergies have been achieved among the three pillars.

Membership of the Commission is open to all States members of UNCTAD. Those wishing to attend the session are requested to provide the UNCTAD secretariat with the credentials of their representatives and the names of their alternate representatives and advisers by 26 October 2012.

Specialized agencies and intergovernmental bodies wishing to participate in the meeting, investment promotion agencies and non-governmental organizations in the general category and those in the special category who wish to participate as observers, are requested to inform the UNCTAD secretariat of the names of their representatives by the same date.

Upon arrival, participants are requested to collect their badges from the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 Avenue de la Paix, before entering the Palais des Nations. The Security Service is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Because of the security measures in force, participants are strongly advised to arrive before 9 a.m. in order to complete entry procedures in good time and proceed to the meeting in the E-Building (Bâtiment E) of the Palais.
Participants are requested to carry a passport or similar national identity card with them. Taxis are not allowed to enter the grounds of the Palais des Nations; visitors will therefore be dropped off at the requested entrance gates. Furthermore, luggage may not be brought into the buildings unless the Security Service gives special clearance.

Communications concerning representation should be sent to the UNCTAD secretariat, Intergovernmental Support Service, Palais des Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 10; fax: + 41 (0)22 917 0214; e-mail: meetings@unctad.org.

For all other enquiries, please contact Mr. Alexandre Dabbou, tel.: +41 (0)22 917 5751; fax: +41 (0)22 917 0194; e-mail: alexandre.dabbou@unctad.org.

(signed)

Supachai Panitchpakdi
Secretary-General of UNCTAD
18 September 2012