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NOTIFICATION

Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission Fifth session

29 April–3 May 2013

The fifth session of the Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission will be held from 29 April to 3 May 2013. It will open at 10 a.m. on Monday, 29 April, in room XXVI of the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

The Commission provides the 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 address two main themes:

- (a) Promoting entrepreneurship for productive capacity-building;
- (b) Investment, innovation and technology for development.

During this fifth session, the 2013 Investment Promotion Awards will be given to the world's best agencies in promoting export-oriented foreign direct investment.

The Commission will also consider the reports and discuss the outcomes and recommendations of its expert meetings on:

- (a) Investment, innovation and entrepreneurship for productive capacity-building and sustainable development;
- (b) Assessing the impact of public-private partnerships on trade and development in developing countries.

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

The Commission is open to all member States of UNCTAD. States members of UNCTAD 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 **15 April 2013**.



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, before entering the Palais des Nations, to collect their badges from the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 Avenue de la Paix. 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 indicated entrance gate. 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, Switzerland; fax: + 41 (0)22 917 0214; e-mail: meetings@unctad.org.

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