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NOTIFICATION

Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy Third session

Geneva, 9 and 10 July 2018

The third session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, on 9 and 10 July 2018. The session will open at 10 a.m. on Monday, 9 July, in Room XVII of the Palais des Nations.

Background and purpose of the meeting

In line with the agreed conclusions (TD/B/C.I/CPLP/9) adopted by the Intergovernmental Group of Experts at its second session on 4 July 2017, the consultations at the third session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts will focus on the following topics:

- The protection of financial consumers
- Review of capacity-building and technical assistance on consumer protection law and policy
- Voluntary peer review on consumer protection law and policy of Morocco
- Dispute resolution and redress
- Consumer product safety
- Report on the working groups on e-commerce and the protection of vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers

Written contributions

To facilitate the deliberations and the informal exchange of experiences and best practices on the topics to be discussed, member States and observers are requested to submit written contributions to the UNCTAD secretariat by Friday, 1 June 2018, to allow participants to prepare for the meeting.

Participation

This meeting is open to all member States of UNCTAD. Other organizations, including specialized agencies, intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations in the general category, may participate as observers.

Online registration at Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy, third session is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the meeting and is required for inclusion in the list of participants. Early registration – before 11 June 2018 – is advisable so that timely approval may be received for the issuance of a ground pass to the Palais des Nations. In addition, prospective participants must upload an official letter of nomination to represent an

organization at this meeting to complete the registration process. For government representatives, a note verbale or an email from the permanent mission concerned in Geneva will suffice.

Further enquiries regarding registration should be sent to the UNCTAD secretariat, Intergovernmental Support Service, Palais des Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 10; fax: 41 22 917 0214; email: meetings@unctad.org.

Further information and contact details

Substantive and other enquiries should be addressed to the UNCTAD secretariat, Competition and Consumer Policies Branch; fax: +41 22 917 0044; email: jacqueline.bouvier@unctad.org.

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