NOTIFICATION

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

Geneva, 8 and 9 July 2019

The fourth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy will be held on 8 and 9 July 2019 in Geneva, Switzerland. The session will open at 10 a.m. on Monday, 8 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/15) adopted by the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy at its third session on 10 July 2018, the consultations at the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy will focus on the following topics:

- Report on the working groups on consumer protection in e-commerce and on consumer product safety.
- Contribution of consumer protection to sustainable consumption.
- Latest developments in legal and institutional frameworks and world consumer protection map.
- Review of capacity-building and technical assistance.

Other topics of discussion will include an update on the implementation of the actionable agreed conclusions of the third session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy and the voluntary peer review on consumer protection law and policy of Indonesia.

Written contributions

In order 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, 31 May 2019, 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, fourth session is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the meeting and is required for inclusion in the list of participants. Early registration (before 28 June 2019), is advisable so that timely approval may be received for the issuance of a ground pass to the Palais des Nations. To complete the registration process, prospective participants must upload an official letter of nomination to represent an organization at this meeting. 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

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