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**Formal consultation between UNCTAD and Thai institutions: OTCC, NESDC, OSMEP
ISMED and SME Development Bank under the UN COVID-19 Project: SME resurgence**

**12 October 2021
Duration: 1h30-2h**

**11am-1pm Bangkok
12pm-2pm Singapore
6am-8am Geneva
11pm-1am Bogota
2pm-4 pm Australia**

Tentative Agenda Programme

1. Objectives

- (1) Present recommendations to Thai institutions in charge of competition (OTCC) and SME policies (ISMED and OSMEP)
- (2) Gather comments on the recommendations of the Thai study from various Thai institutional bodies representing MSMEs and Competition policies
- (3) Discuss the relevance of the recommendations for the institutions and their strategy for implementation
- (4) Agree on follow up steps

2. Proposed agenda

The formal consultation will be held through a virtual webinar (maximum 1h30-2h) on **Tuesday October 12th 2021, from 11am-1pm Bangkok Time**

The event will be multilingual (English and Thai) and will not be open to the public. UNCTAD will provide the Zoom platform and interpretation:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84471234567>
<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/joinMeeting?meetingId=84471234567>

Moderation: UNCTAD

Opening remarks (2 minutes)

- UNCTAD: Teresa Moreira (video message)

Presentation of the recommendations of the National Study (20 min) (Moderator: UNCTAD, Liz)

- Recommendations of the National Study (Mr.Teerawat Charoenrat, Ph.D and Mr.Charles Harvie, Ph.D) -10 min
- Comments from UNCTAD consultant Mr.Gustavo Valbuena -5 min
- Comments from UNCTAD ad honorem advisor Mr.Cassey Lee, Ph.d -5min

Round of comments from Thai institutions (30 min) (Moderator: UNCTAD, Pierre Horna)

- Mr.Thanan Apiwanthanaporn, Ph.d. – 10 min
Director, Department of International Business Development and Marketing
Institute for Small and Medium Enterprise Development (ISMED)
- Miss Wimonkan Kosumas, Ph.d. – 10 min
Deputy Director General
The Office of SMEs Promotion (OSMEP)
- Mr.Mogul Posayapisith,. – 10 min
Senior Executive Vice President
Small and Medium Enterprise Development Bank of Thailand (SME Development Bank)
- Mr.Suriyon Thunkijjanukij, – 10 min
Senior Advisor
Office of the National Economic and Social Development Council (NESDC)
- Ms. Pattama Teanravisitsagool, Ph.d. – 10 min
Commissioner
Trade Competition Commission of Thailand (TCC)

Brainstorming among participants from Thai institutions (10-15 min) (Moderator: UNCTAD advisor Gustavo Valbuena)

- *Questions to each of Thai agencies: guiding questions to be drafted in collaboration between UNCTAD and OTCC*
- **Closing remarks** (Moderator: UNCTAD)- 5 minutes
 - UNCTAD: UNCTAD – 2 minutes

3. Target participants

Member States' policymakers, Government representatives from Thai institutions dealing with MSMEs, Competition authorities and MSME representatives, sectoral regulators representatives from Thailand.

Note: this is an expert-level meeting UNCTAD and OTCC will send invitations to its members.

4. Envisaged outcomes

A report of the webinar discussions will be published after the event highlighting key messages and steps forward.