

UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT

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9-11 October 2017

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PROGRAMME

MONDAY, 9 OCTOBER 2017, Room XXVI		
10.00–10.30 a.m.	Opening	
	Election of chair and vice-chair-cum-rapporteur Dr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD: Opening statement Presentation of background note by the secretariat	
10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	High-level plenary session on the reform of the international investment agreement (IIA) regime: Taking stock and moving forward	
	Keynote speeches (high-level) Statements (floor)	
1–3 p.m. (1.15–2.45 p.m.)	Lunch break European Commission side event: Multilateral reform of the investor–State dispute settlement system: Possible paths forward (Sandwiches will be provided.)	
3–4 p.m.	Plenary: Carry-over from morning session	
4–6 p.m.	First round of break-out sessions, held in parallel in two rooms	
	(Room XXVI) Break-out session 1: Harnessing investment for the Sustainable Development Goals – The IIA dimension	
	(Room XXV) Break-out session 2: Clarifying and modifying treaty content	
6.15 p.m.	Cocktail (Bar Serpent)	
TUESDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2017		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Second round of break-out sessions, held in parallel in two rooms (Room XXVI)	
	Break-out session 3: Consolidating the IIA network (Room XXIV)	
	Break-out session 4: The implications of disengaging	
1–3 p.m.	Lunch break	
(1.15–2.45 p.m.)	(Room XXVI) Economic Commission for Africa side event: The Pan-African Investment Code and the investment chapter of the Continental Free Trade Area agreement: Opportunities for rationalizing investment regulation in Africa (Sandwiches will be provided.)	

3–6 p.m.	Third round of break-out sessions, held in parallel in three rooms (Room XXV) Break-out session 5: Towards a global reform effort: Designing principles (Room XXVI) Break-out session 6: Towards a global reform effort: Improving dispute settlement (Room E-3023) Break-out session 7: Towards a global reform effort: Referencing global standards
WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2017, Room XXVI	
10–11 a.m.	Plenary: Report back from all break-out sessions
11 a.m3 p.m.	Plenary: Kick-starting the next phase of reform of the IIA regime: Identifying and addressing challenges
1–3 p.m.	Lunch break
3–5.30 p.m.	Plenary: Carry-over from morning session
5.30–6 p.m.	Closing
	Chair's summary