## Towards a Repository of Possible Reform Options



In advance of the Expert Meeting on "The Transformation of the IIA Regime" UNCTAD launched a **platform for sharing the outcomes of other initiatives** that address IIA reform, by means of facilitating a "report-back" on these initiatives. Reporting may cover two types of initiatives:

- Meetings, including inter-governmental, academic or multi-stakeholder events that have addressed IIA (including ISDS) reform;
- Research projects or papers, that have addressed IIA (including ISDS) reform.

Report-backs are placed in the **publicly accessible "repository" of reform-oriented proposals.** While contributions that were received before 20 February fed into experts' deliberation during the 25-27 February Expert Meeting, the repository remains online and available to the general public on the WIF website after the meeting; similarly, relevant additions to the repository will also be accepted over the course of 2015. For a submission to be posted, it must satisfy a basic level of quality and relevance.

To ensure relevance, a number of criteria guide the selection of meetings that qualify for **report back** (these criteria also apply to research projects or papers, *mutatis mutandis*).

- Type of event: The event was held at the intergovernmental, academic or multistakeholder (including the private sector or civil society) level. Please note that this may also include multi-stakeholder working groups' discussions on IIA reforms in formal or informal settings.
- 2. Topic of the event: The event or session(s) of the event **directly address the issue** of IIA reform or the reform of ISDS.
- 3. Outcome of the event: The **outcome** of the event offers **concrete solutions** preferably in the form of **action points** on how to address IIA or ISDS reform.
- 4. Who can submit reports: In principle, 2-page reports can be submitted by the **organizer(s) of an event or by chairs, invited speakers and participants.** Submissions by chairs, speakers or participants should be coordinated with and endorsed by the organizers of the event in order to prevent misrepresentation.
- 5. Further information: The person submitting a report back should provide a **photo**, the **official title** and **affiliation** of the person, a **logo** of the affiliation (if possible) and the **title of the report**. In case of submissions of organizations as such, please provide the name of the organization and its logo. This information will be displayed.

### REPORT BACK PROJECT

Report back will take place by means of submitting **2-pagers (word format)** for uploading on UNCTAD's WIF website. The document will be formatted by the UNCTAD Secretariat.

#### When preparing your 2-page report, please be guided by the following:

- Rather than summarizing the event/project, the report should focus on concrete research findings, innovative and forward-looking ideas and proposals related to IIA, or ISDS reform that have been developed or presented at the event/ project.
- 2. Please limit yourself to 2 pages; more detailed information can be supplied by means of endnotes or hyperlinks.
- 3. The aim of the 2-page report is to advance the discussions that were commenced at the <u>IIA Conference</u> "Reforming the International Investment Agreements Regime" at the World Investment Forum 2014 (16 October 2014). In this regard, we highly appreciate submissions which look at reform proposals towards achieving **sustainable development and inclusive growth.**

#### The title page of the submission should include the following information:

- Classify your event/research project according to the four **general** categories: intergovernmental, academic, multi-stakeholder or other
- Organizer of the event/research project
- **Number of speakers and/or participants** that were present at the event / that contribute to the research projects
- Date of the event/duration of the research project
- **Location** (city/country)
- Full title of the event/research project
- **Format** (e.g. panel discussion, workshop, training course, survey, empirical research etc.)
- Key message(s) or finding(s) regarding IIA or ISDS reform
- **Weblink** to the event's page or research project/paper (if available)

If you wish to receive further information, please contact us at:

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## Reports Back from Meetings



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Economic Law & Policy, International Institute for Sustainable Development Group Director Ms. Nathalie Bernasconi-

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Eighth Annual Forum of Developing Country Investment Negotiators



Economic Law & Policy, International Institute for Sustainable Development Group Director Ms. Nathalie Bernasconi-

Investment-Related Dispute Settlement: Reflections on a New Beginning



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University of Lausanne
Senior Researcher

Mr. Tarcisio Gazzini

The Transformation of the International Investment Agreement Regime - The African Experience

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Ms. Christiane Gerstetter

CETA and TTIP Sparking Controversial Debates on Investment Protection in Germany





European Federation for Investment Law and Arbitration
Secretary General

Mr. Nikos Lavranos

EU law and investment treaty law: convergence, conflict, or conversation?





International Law Research Program, Centre for International Governance Innovation

Director Ms. Oonagh E. Fitzgerald CIGI ILRP First International Economic Law Consultation Workshop on Emerging Issues in International Trade and Investment Law



BritishAmerican Business
BritishAmerican Business
TTIP Adviser

Ms. Elisabeth Roderburg

ISDS - What Is It and the Arguments for and Against Including Such a Provision in a Transatlantic Trade and Investment Deal

# Reports Back from Research Projects



Comisión para la Auditoría Integral Ciudadana de los Tratados de Protección Reciproca de Inversiones y del Sistema de Arbitraje en Materia de Inversiones

Ecuadorian Citizens' Commission for a Comprehensive Audit of Investment Protection Treaties and of the International Arbitration System on Investments (CAITISA)



### Investment & Human Rights Project

Ms. Andrea Saldarriaga Ms. Andrea Shemberg IIAs and ISDS: achieving meaningful reform



**Public Citizen** 

Transforming the IIA Regime: Exiting the Unnecessary, Damaging Investor-State Dispute Settlement System





Do We Need Special Rules for Energy Disputes?



Jawaharlal Nehru University
Professor
Mr. Biswajit Dhar

India's Bilateral Investment Promotion and Protection Agreements



Unitersité de Lausanne
University of Lausanne
Senior Researcher
Visiting professor at the Graduate Institute
Geneva

Foreign Investment in Africa: Gaining Development Momentum



Freie Universität Berlin

Mr. Tarcisio Gazzini

Mr. Steffen Hindelang

Juniorprofessor

Investor-State Dispute Settlement and Alternatives of Dispute Resolution in International Investment Law





Ms. Priyanka Kher

TTIP and TPP Agreements: Emerging Investment Rules and their Implications on Developing Countries



Cato's Herbert A. Stiefel Center for Trade Policy Studies Trade Policy Analyst

Mr. Simon Lester

Rethinking the International Investment Law Regime





Utrecht University / Nynerode Business University PhD Researcher

Ms. Yulia Levashova, LL.M.

Bridging the Gap between International Investment Law and the Environment





SOAS, University of London Graduate student

Mr. Mohammed Mossallem

Process Matters - South Africa's Experience Exiting its BITs





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Ms. Mavluda Sattorova

The Impact of International Investment Law on Government Behavior: Enabling Good Governance?



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International and Economic Law and Governance, University of Amsterdam **Professor** 

Mr. Stephan W. Schill

International Investment Law and Comparative Public Law – Reconceptualizing Investment Law as International Public Law



**Madhyam** 

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Transformation of the International Investment Agreement Regime: a BRICS Perspective





University of Glasgow Professor

Mr. Christian J. Tams

Investment and development - friends or foes?









IELPO LL.M., University of Barcelona Director

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Reforming the Present International Legal Framework for Foreign Direct Investment (FDI): Basic Elements for an Analytical and Policy Framework





Traidcraft Exchange **Policy Adviser** 

Ms. Rebecca Varghese Buchholz

International Investment Agreements Under Scrutiny - Bilateral Investment Treaties, EU Investment Policy and International Development