





The Fourth Annual Forum of Developing Country Investment Negotiators October 27–29, New Delhi, India

	DAY 1 – October 27, 2010			
8:30	Registration			
9:00 – 9:35 Opening Ceremony 9:00 – 9:10 - Welcome remarks by Ms. Nathalie Bernasconi, Senior International Lawyer and Program Leader, Investment and Sustainable Development Program, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)				
9:10 – 9:20 – Introductory remarks by Mr. Offah Obale, Program Officer, Trade and Services, South Centre				
9:20 – 9:35 – Inaugural Address by Shri. R. P. Singh, Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India				
9:35	Session 1: Breaking New Ground for the International Investment Regime? The discussion will center on two recent reports: • UNCTAD 2010 World Investment Report • WAIPA/VALE Survey: Moving toward the fourth generation of investment promotion.	Chair: Mr. Howard Mann, IISD Speakers: Mr. Carlos Bronzatto, WAIPA Mr. Sergey Ripinsky, UNCTAD Commentators: Mr. Nagesh Kumar, UNESCAP Ms. Nirmala Jeetah, Board of Investment, Mauritius		
11:00	Break			
11:15	Session 2: Critical Developments in Investment Treaties and Arbitrations: Issues facing developing countries today This session provides an overview of recent developments, including on the number of IIAs, disputes, the competence shift at the EU, evolving jurisprudence, the FTA-investment link, ICSID annulment decisions, and developments at UNCITRAL.	Chair: Mr. Muzikayise Dube, Swaziland Speakers: Ms. Mahnaz Malik, IISD Ms. Nathalie Bernasconi, IISD		







12:30	Lunch	
14:00	Session 3: India's International Investment Treaties: A new way forward This session provides an overview of the approaches and thinking of the Indian government on investment frameworks and international investment treaties.	Chair: Dr. Neeru Chadha, Ministry of External Affairs, India Speakers: Mr. V. L. Kanta Rao, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, India Dr. Ram Upendra Das, Research and Information System for Developing Countries, India Mr. Prabhash Ranjan, King's College
15:30	Break	
16.00	Break out session 1: Defining developing country goals in international investment regimes Each group will brainstorm on goals its participants would like to achieve by entering into international investment treaties or other investment-related instruments. How are these goals addressed in the current instruments?	Group leaders and rapporteurs to be nominated by the group.
16.45	Reporting back	
18:00	End of day	
18:30	Welcome Dinner	
	DAY 2 – October 28, 2010	
9:00	Session 4: South-South Regional Agreements: What is different from the post-colonial North-South template? What should be different? This session will discuss South-South Agreements, including regional agreements, such as ASEAN, COMESA, and selected BITS	Chair: Thierry Mutombo, Senior Investment Promotion Officer, COMESA Speakers: Ms. Mahnaz Malik, IISD Mr. Nagesh Kumar, UNESCAP Mr. Offah Obale, South Centre Mr. Ancelmo Cesar Lins de Gois, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Brazil







		Ms. Roslyn Ngeno,
		Investment Authority, Kenya
10:30	Break	
11:00	Session 5: Investment Protection: Recent developments in fair and equitable treatment	Chair: Mr. Gustavo Guerra, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ecuador
	This session provides an overview of recent developments on the concept of fair and equitable treatment and gives a snapshot of some of the approaches taken by individual countries.	Presenter: Mr. Howard Mann, IISD Speakers: Mr. Prabhash Ranjan, King's College Mr. Tewodros Tamiru, Investment Agency, Ethiopia
12:30	Lunch	
14:00	Break-out session 2: Fair and Equitable Treatment: Is it fair? Is it equitable? Is it necessary?	Group leaders and rapporteurs to be nominated by the group.
	In the break-out session, participants share the approach taken on FET in their country and design recommendations on what approach might be most useful, given the most recent cases dealing with FET.	
	Reporting back and sharing conclusions and recommendations.	
15:30	Break	
16:00	Session 6: Arbitrators and the Arbitration System: Systemic disarray?	Chair: Ms. Sanya Reid Smith, South Centre
	This session will examine developments on arbitrator independence in investment arbitration and recent annulment decisions.	 Speakers: Ms. Nathalie Bernasconi, IISD Mr. Norberto Ariel Martins Mogo, Office of the Attorney General, Argentina
17:30	End of day	
20:00	Cultural Visit & Group Dinner	
	DAY 3 – October 29, 2010	
9:00	Breakout session 3: Ethical standards in	Group leaders and rapporteurs







	Investor-State arbitration This session looks at options on how to deal with arbitrator independence investor-State arbitration, with a particular focus on the dual role of counsel and arbitrator.	to be nominated by the group.
10:30	Break	
11:00	Session 7: Gaining Control of the International Investment Regime: What needs to be done: • within governments? • among governments? • in international organizations? This session considers the discussions that were held over the past days, and identifies who could take these issues of concern forward, and how.	Chair: Ms. Veniana Qalo, Commonwealth Secretariat Speakers: Dr. Ram Upendra Das, Research and Information System for Developing Countries, India Ms. Veronica Maseda Beaumont, Proinversión (Agency for the Promotion of Private Investment), Peru Mr. Hasan Aslan Akpinar, Ministry of Treasury, Turkey Mr. Suon Sophal, Council for the Development of Cambodia, Cambodia
12:30	Lunch	
14:00	Gaining Control of the International Investment Regime: What needs to be done? (continued) Recommendations on ways forward	Panel, continued
15:00	Adopting recommendations	Final Plenary
16:00	Closing ceremony	
17:00	Farewell	