



5<sup>th</sup> EXPERT SEMINAR ON CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES ON INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT LAW

## Foreign Investment and Facilitation

18 – 19 February 2016

University of Geneva, Faculty of Law, 40 Bd. Du Pont d'Arve, Room 3050

### Thursday 18 February 2016

**14h00** *Welcome*

Professor Robert Kolb, University of Geneva

**Setting the Scene: Foreign Investment and Facilitation**

Chair Professor Attila Tanzi, University of Bologna

**14h10** *Introduction*

Professor Gabrielle Marceau, University of Geneva

**14h30** *Promotion and protection of foreign investment*

Dr. Yenkong Ngangjoh Hodu, University of Manchester

**15h00** *Facilitation of foreign investment*

Professor Makane Moïse Mbengue, University of Geneva

15h30 Coffee break

**Getting the Rights Tools**

Chair Dr. Tarcisio Gazzini, University of Lausanne

**16h00** *The Role of National Investment Boards*

Dr. Nathalie Bernasconi, IISD

**16h30** *Facilitation through International Agreements*

Dr. Hamed El-Kady, UNCTAD

**17h00** *Facilitation through National Codes*

Dr. Mamadou Hébié, University of Leiden

20h00 Seminar Dinner

**Friday 19 February 2016**

**The practical experience**

Chair Dr. Eric de Brabandere, University of Leiden

**9h30 *Facilitation from the business perspective***

Tabé van Hoolwerff, Legal Counsel, Shell

**10h00 *Facilitation and non-discrimination***

Professor Christina Binder, University of Vienna

**10h30 *Facilitation and foreign investment standards***

TBC

11h00 Coffee break

**Facilitation in Africa**

Chair Professor Andreas Ziegler, University of Lausanne

**11h30 *Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), East African Community (EAC) and Southern African Development Community (SADC)***

Rukia Baruti, University of Geneva

**12h00 *African Union (AU)***

Professor Makane Moïse Mbengue, University of Geneva

**12h30 *Governmental perspective***

Mustaqeem de Gama, South Africa Mission Geneva

**13h00 *Conclusions***

Hery Ranjeva, Partner, Foley & Hoag LLP

**13h30** Lunch

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Attendance is free, but places are limited. Please register by sending an email to Ms Muerrle, [edith.muerrle@unige.ch](mailto:edith.muerrle@unige.ch), before 16 February 2016.

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