

ECOSOC FORUM ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT SIDE EVENT: INVESTMENT PROMOTION AND FACILITATION MEASURES FOR THE LDCS

When: 25 May 2017, 1:15 PM - 2:30 PM

Where: Conference Room 7, UNHQ



ABOUT THE SIDE EVENT

In order to foster sustainable development in the LDCs it is necessary not only to promote FDI in general, but also to pay close attention to the quality of FDI. In order to attract sustainable FDI, development partners could assist LDCs in both promotion and facilitation of investment so as to contribute to the realization of their sustainable development objectives (as called for in the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda).

The side event aims at exploring what LDCs' development partners can do to help them get more sustainable FDI. It will review investment promotion and facilitation measures that can be undertaken by foreign investors' home states and multilateral development agencies, and try to assess their feasibility and potential impact, also with a view to implementing the objectives and commitments set out in the IPoA and the AAAAA.

OUR SPEAKERS

Welcome: H.E. Masud Bin Momen, Ambassador of Bangladesh to the UN, Chair of the LDCs Group

Main Presenter: Prof. Rodrigo Polanco, Senior Researcher and Lecturer, World Trade Institute

Panel:

- Mr. Nim Dorji, Finance Secretary, Bhutan
- Mr. Antonio Parenti, Head of the Economic Section, Delegation of the European Union to the UN
- Mr. James Zhan, Director, Investment and Enterprise, UNCTAD
- Mr. Patrick Gilabert, Deputy Representative to the UN, UNIDO
- Mr. Yago Aranda Larrey, Investment Policy and Promotion Team, World Bank Group
- Mr. Bostjan Skalar, CEO, World Association of Investment Promotions Agencies
- Mr. Kabir Duggal, Attorney, Baker & McKenzie LLP

Moderator: Mr. Americo Zampetti, OHRRLLS