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## **ABBREVIATIONS**

**AEI** Alliance for Entrepreneurship and Innovation

**APEC** Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation

**BIT** bilateral investment treaty

**CAN** Community of Andean Nations

**CEPAI** Strategic Committee for Investment Promotion and Attraction

**COPCI** Organic Code of Production, Trade and Investment

**CPTPP** Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership

**DIAE** Division on Investment and Enterprise

**DTT** double taxation treaty

**EFTA** European Free Trade Association

**EU** European Union

**FDI** foreign direct investment

**GDP** gross domestic product

**GEM** Global Entrepreneurship Monitor

**GFCF** gross fixed capital formation

ICSID International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes

**IIA** international investment agreement

**IMF** International Monetary Fund

**IP** intellectual property

**IPFSD** investment policy framework for sustainable development

**IPR** investment policy review



**IRS** Internal Revenue Service

**ISD** Foreign Currency Exit Tax

**MPCEIP** Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries

**NIP** national investment policy

NSI National System for Science, Technology, Innovation and Ancestral Knowledge

**PND** National Development Plan

**PPP** Public-Private Partnership

**SAS** simplified stock companies

**SENADI** National Service for the Protection of Intellectual Rights

**SENESCYT** Secretariat of Higher Education, Science, Technology and Innovation

**SME** small and medium-sized enterprise

**SNDPP** Decentralized National System of Participative Planning

**TVET** technical and vocational education and training

**UNCTAD** United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

**WEF** World Economic Forum

**WTO** World Trade Organization

**ZEDE** special economic development zone



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