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FOR PARTICIPANTS**

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**Fourth Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Week, 1-6 November 2015**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1		MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2				TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3	
<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>	<b>08:30 - 11:30</b>	<b>09:00 - 11:30</b>	<b>09:00 - 11:30</b>	<b>10:30 - 11:30</b>	<b>11:30 - 12:30</b>	<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>	<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>
ESBN Task Force Meeting <b>C asean, Bangkok</b>	ESBN Meeting <b>CR-4</b>	Regional Workshop on Harnessing STI for Sustainable Development <b>MR-H</b>	Fifth Meeting of the Asia-Pacific FDI Network <b>MR-G</b>	Briefing for Media <b>MR-E</b>	Launch of the Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Report 2015 <b>Theatre</b>	12th Asia-Pacific Business Forum <b>CR-3</b>	EGM on Trade Policies for Sustainable Development <b>MR-H</b>
	<i>EBAC Lunch UNCC Reception Hall</i>		<i>FDI Network Lunch Public Foyer</i>			<i>APBF Lunch UNCC Reception Hall</i>	
<i>Lunch</i>		<i>Lunch</i>		<i>Lunch</i>			<i>Lunch</i>
<b>13:30 - 17:00</b>	<b>14:00 - 17:00</b>	<b>14:00 - 18:00</b>	<b>14:00 - 17:00</b>			<b>13:30 - 16:00</b>	<b>13:30 - 16:00</b>
ESBN Task Force Meeting <b>C asean, Bangkok</b>	10th EBAC Meeting <b>CR-4</b>	Regional Workshop on Harnessing STI for Sustainable Development <b>MR-H</b>	Fifth Meeting of the Asia-Pacific FDI Network <b>MR-G</b>			12th Asia-Pacific Business Forum <b>CR-3</b>	EGM on Trade Policies for Sustainable Development <b>MR-H</b>
<i>Reception C asean, Bangkok</i>	<b>17:00-20:30</b> <i>APBF Reception UNCC Reception</i>						
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4		THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5				FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6	
<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>	<b>08:00 - 09:00</b>	<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>	<b>08:00 - 09:00</b>	<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>	<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>	<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>	<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>
Committee on Trade and Investment, Fourth session <b>CR-3</b>	Demonstration of Tools and Knowledge Products for evidence-based Trade Policymaking <b>MR-G</b>	Committee on Trade and Investment, Fourth session <b>CR-3</b>	Demonstration of Tools and Knowledge Products for evidence-based Trade Policymaking <b>MR-G</b>	ADB/ESCAP Workshop on Research, Tools and Data for Evidence-based Trade Policymaking <b>MR-A</b>	2nd Legal and Technical Working Groups on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation <b>CR-4 &amp; MR-F</b>	2nd Legal and Technical Working Groups on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation <b>CR-4 &amp; MR-F</b>	ADB/ESCAP Workshop on Research, Tools and Data for Evidence-based Trade Policymaking <b>MR-A</b>
<i>CTI lunch, hosted by the Ministry of Commerce, Government of Thailand UNCC Reception Hall</i>							
			<i>Lunch</i>				
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Committee on Trade and Investment, Fourth session <b>CR-3</b>	Capacity-building Workshop on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation <b>CR-4</b>	EGM on Trade Policies for Sustainable Development <b>MR-H</b>	Committee on Trade and Investment, Fourth session <b>CR-3</b>	ADB/ESCAP Workshop on Research, Tools and Data for Evidence-based Trade Policymaking <b>MR-A</b>	2nd Legal and Technical Working Groups on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation <b>CR-4 &amp; MR-F</b>	Committee on Trade and Investment, Fourth session <b>CR-3</b>	2nd Legal and Technical Working Groups on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation <b>CR-4 &amp; MR-F</b>

# PRELIMINARY OVERVIEW OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

## >> Task Force Meetings of the ESCAP Sustainable Business Network

**1-2 November 2015**

The ESCAP Sustainable Business Network Task Forces will meet at the C-asean, Bangkok on 1 November 2015, to discuss their current and planned activities prior to the formal ESNB meeting on Monday 2 November. The following task forces are expected to meet: Digital Economy; Disaster Risk Reduction, Banking and Finance, Green Business, Micro- and Small and Medium-Enterprises, Trade and Transport Facilitation, Innovation and Competitiveness, Pacific.

## >> ESCAP Business Advisory Council, tenth session/ESCAP Sustainable Business Network

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## >> Fifth Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Network

**2 November 2015**

The Fifth Meeting of the Asia-Pacific FDI Network will convene in UNCC, Bangkok, on 2 November 2015. The Network was originally set up for representatives working in FDI policy and promotion from least developed and landlocked developing countries only. This is the first time that the Network meets with representatives from other developing countries in the region also. The Network will review recent trends and development in the area of FDI and will focus on investor-state dispute settlement mechanisms, including UNCITRAL and ICSID. The meeting will also review an investment tracking system developed by FDI intelligence of the Financial Times.

## >> Regional Workshop on Harnessing Science, Technology and Innovation for Sustainable Development

**2 November 2015**

The Regional Workshop on Harnessing STI for Sustainable Development is a follow-up to the first workshop held on this topic on 6 August 2015. Following the earlier workshop, three consultancies were commissioned addressing specific issues in STI, including common frameworks and comparative analysis of STI capabilities of ESCAP member countries, modalities for regional cooperation and trade and investment dimensions of STI. The current workshop will review the first drafts of the consultants' papers which will feed into the theme topic study for the Commission in 2016. The workshop would also contribute to outlining a programme a work for ESCAP in the area of STI. The workshop will be attended by experts and policy makers by invitation but is open in principle to all other interested participants who wish to observe the proceedings.

## >> Launch of the Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Report 2015

**2 November 2015**

The Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Report (APTIR) is a recurrent publication prepared by the Trade and Investment Division of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific. It provides information on and independent analyses of trends and developments in: (a) intra- and inter-regional trade in goods and services; (b) foreign direct investment; (c) trade facilitation measures; (d) trade policy measures; and (e) preferential trade policies and agreements. The report offers insights into the impacts of these recent and emerging developments on countries' abilities to meet the challenges of achieving inclusive and sustainable development. The 2015 report also provides analysis on the spread of Global Value Chains in the Asia-Pacific region and evaluates policies that contribute to developing countries participation in GVCs.

## >>12th Asia-Pacific Business Forum 2015 (APBF 2015)

### **3 November 2015**

The Asia-Pacific Business Forum is a multi-stakeholder discussion forum held annually with the mission to provide the best platform for regional public-private sector dialogue on the role and needs of business in achieving inclusive, resilient and sustainable development. The Twelfth Asia-Pacific Business Forum (APBF) will convene in UNCC, Bangkok. APBF 2015 on 2 and 3 November 2015. APBF will start with reception and gala dinner hosted by the Trade and Industry Association of Singapore (TIAS) at 18:00 hours and will feature a key speaker. On 3 November, APBF will hold its substantive sessions linked to the theme of “Driving Growth and Sustainability through Business” on the following topics: The New Regional Economic Order, The New Regional Financial Order; Harnessing Entrepreneurship, Technology and Innovation for Sustainable Development, and Sustainable Business for Sustainable Growth.

## >>Expert Group Meeting on Trade Policies for Sustainable Development

### **3-4 November 2015**

This two-day meeting will provide an opportunity for regional experts to discuss issues related to trade policies for sustainable development. On the first day the discussions will focus on the implementation of the WTO “Bali package” for least developed countries and preparations for the forthcoming WTO Ministerial Conference in Nairobi. On the morning of the second day, participants will have the chance to attend the ESCAP Trade and Investment Committee’s panel session on enhancing participation in Global Value Chains. This will be followed in the afternoon by a session on issues related to data availability in connection with the Sustainable Development Goals and the new challenges posed by “big data.”

## >>Demonstration of Tools and Knowledge Products for Evidence-based Trade Policymaking

### **4-5 November 2015**

Evidence-based policymaking implies a process of gathering, critically appraising and using high quality research and analytical evidence to inform policymaking, and assist in policy implementation and development. It aims to integrate research- and expert-based information with the experience and expertise of policymakers. While in many cases evidence is qualitative, it also increasingly involves data and results of quantitative analysis. These sessions therefore aim to introduce the sources and handling of data relevant for trade and investment policy as well as tools of analysis available online.

## >>Committee on Trade and Investment, Fourth Session

### **4-6 November 2015**

The Committee on Trade and Investment is one of the eight committees that make up the subsidiary structure of the Commission. It is held every other year. The fourth session of the Committee will consider the following agenda items: Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Report 2015 – Asia-Pacific participation in value chains: role of trade and investment policies; Implementation of Commission resolution 70/5: Strengthening regional cooperation and capacity for enhanced trade and investment in support of sustainable development (including strategic direction and functioning of the Committee, results and activities under the subprogramme on trade and investment, and engaging the business sector); reports and activities of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology and the Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization; implementation of Commission resolutions 68/3, 70/1 and 70/4 and consideration of draft resolutions and decisions for submission to the Commission at its 72nd session; consideration of the future focus of the trade and investment subprogramme; and other matters. The Committee is expected to conduct a substantive interactive dialogue on the theme topic and related issues, to formulate concrete policy recommendations in this regard and provide guidance to the secretariat on its subprogramme and activities in the area of trade and investment.

>> **Capacity-Building Workshop on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation**

**4 November 2015**

The Capacity-Building Workshop on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation will bring experts from the region and beyond to share their experiences and lessons learnt in cross-border paperless trade initiatives, including legal and technical challenges and key success factors in implementing cross-border paperless trade.

>> **ADB/ESCAP Workshop on Research, Tools and Data for Evidence-based Trade Policymaking**

**5-6 November 2013**

Consistent with the theme of the Trade and Investment week on enhancing participation in Global Value Chains, this workshop will present evidence on the current state of GVCs in the region and cover topics including: concepts and measurement of GVCs; competitiveness and GVCs; GVC-driven production transformation; and regional case studies and best practices. The workshop will also cover tools required for analysis of non-tariff measures and services trade restrictiveness. 24 participants will be invited by ADBI from regional countries. The training is also open to ESCAP delegates to the Committee on Trade and Investment

>> **2nd Legal and Technical Working Groups on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation**

**5-6 November 2015**

The Legal and Technical Working Groups of the Interim Intergovernmental Steering Group on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation will hold its second physical meeting and continue carrying out their mandated tasks, including improving the draft text of the regional arrangement for the facilitation of cross-border paperless trade and preparing a draft road map for its implementation.

# INFORMATION FOR



# PARTICIPANTS

## GENERAL

The fourth session of the Committee Trade and Investment is scheduled to be held at the

**>>United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC)<<**

in Bangkok from

**>>1 to 6 November 2015<<**

during the Fourth Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Week, which will take place between

2 and 6 November 2015.

The opening of the session will take place at >>09h00 on Wednesday, 4 November 2015, << in Conference Room 3 on the 1st floor of UNCC. All subsequent meetings will be held from >>09h00 to 12h00 and 14h00 to 17h30. <<

## REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION

>>Participants are requested to register and obtain meeting badges at the registration counter, which is located on the ground floor of UNCC, between 0800 and 0900 hours on the opening day of the event. Participants who are not able to register during the time indicated above are requested to do so upon their arrival at UNCC before going to the conference room. Only the names of duly registered participants will be included in the list of participants.

>>For identification and security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their meeting badges at all times while in the United Nations complex and during meetings and social functions. The loss of a badge should be communicated to the Conference Management Unit, which is located on the ground floor of UNCC behind the registration counter, so that a new one can be issued immediately.

## MEETING DOCUMENTS

>>>> Participants are requested to bring with them copies of the meeting documents distributed by the ESCAP secretariat to their Governments/agencies/organizations prior to the session. Only a limited number of copies of such documents will be available during the session. The relevant documentation for the Committee session will be available from [www.unescap.org/events/committee-trade-and-investment-fourth-session](http://www.unescap.org/events/committee-trade-and-investment-fourth-session). Information on all the other events of the Third Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Week will be available from [www.unescap.org/events/asia-pacific-trade-and-investment-week-2015](http://www.unescap.org/events/asia-pacific-trade-and-investment-week-2015).

>> Documents for circulation or distribution at the session should be handed to Ms. Susan F. Stone, room 0401, 4th floor, block A, Secretariat Building, extension 1902. In accordance with the United Nations regulations for the control and limitation of documentation, the secretariat cannot undertake to process or reproduce documents or statements submitted by individual delegations unless financial implications thereof.

## VISA REQUIREMENTS

**A.** Visa exemption for a maximum of 14, 30 or 90 days for ordinary passport holders

>> According to the Immigration Bureau of Thailand, nationals of the following countries/areas holding ordinary passports may enter and stay in Thailand for a period not exceeding 14, 30 or 90 days, as per the list below, without a visa:

### Visa exemption for a maximum of 14 days

Cambodia

### Visa exemption for a maximum of 30 days

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Australia         | 26. Macao, China       |
| 2. Austria           | 27. Malaysia           |
| 3. Bahrain           | 28. Monaco             |
| 4. Belgium           | 29. Mongolia           |
| 5. Brunei Darussalam | 30. Netherlands        |
| 6. Canada            | 31. New Zealand        |
| 7. Czech Republic    | 32. Norway             |
| 8. Denmark           | 33. Oman               |
| 9. Estonia           | 34. Philippines        |
| 10. Finland          | 35. Poland             |
| 11. France           | 36. Portugal           |
| 12. Germany          | 37. Qatar              |
| 13. Greece           | 38. Russian Federation |

**B.** Visa exemption for a maximum of 30 or 90 days for diplomatic/official passport holders

>> Nationals of the following countries holding a valid diplomatic or official passport may enter and stay in Thailand for a period of 30 or 90 days, as per the list below, without a visa:

### Visa exemption for a maximum of 30 days

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| 1. Cambodia                         | 8. Mongolia                              |
| 2. China                            | 9. Myanmar                               |
| 3. Ecuador                          | 10. Oman                                 |
| 4. Hong Kong, China                 | 11. Pakistan (diplomatic passports only) |
| 5. Indonesia                        | 12. Singapore                            |
| 6. Lao People's Democratic Republic | 13. Viet Nam                             |
| 7. Macao, China                     |                                          |

### Visa exemption for a maximum of 90 days

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|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Albania         | 22. Luxembourg         |
| 2. Argentina       | 23. Malaysia           |
| 3. Austria         | 24. Mexico             |
| 4. Belgium         | 25. Nepal              |
| 5. Bhutan          | 26. Netherlands        |
| 6. Brazil          | 27. Panama             |
| 7. Chile           | 28. Peru               |
| 8. Colombia        | 29. Philippines        |
| 9. Costa Rica      | 30. Poland             |
| 10. Croatia        | 31. Romania            |
| 11. Czech Republic | 32. Russian Federation |

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