



High Level Seminar on the Opinion 1-17 of the European Court of Justice and the Reform of Investment Protection

Brussels, 6 September 2019

Program

9h30

Introduction by Patrick Van Gheel, Trade Policy Director at the Belgian Federal Public Service of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation

9h40

Presentation and analysis of the Opinion 1-17 by the President of the European Court of Justice, Koen Lenaerts

10h20

Q&A

10h40

Panel I: Steps ahead for the international investment protection reform agenda
Colin Brown, European Commission, DG Trade
Anna Joubin-Bret, Secretary of UNCITRAL and Director of the International Trade Law Division in the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations
Shane Spelliscy, Chair of the UNCITRAL Working Group III
Elisabeth Tuerk, Chief of the International Investment Agreements Section at UNCTAD

11h20

Q&A

11h30

Coffee break

11h40

Panel II: Meeting the expectations of the different stakeholders?
Andrea Carta, Senior Legal Strategist, Greenpeace EU
Jean-Marc Dethy, General Counsel Disputes, ENGIE
Nicolas Angelet, Attorney-at-Law, Brussels Bar, Professor of Public International Law at University of Brussels
Eric de Brabandere, Attorney-at-Law DMDB Law, Brussels Bar, Professor of International Dispute Settlement at Leiden University

12h20

Q&A

12h30

Closing Remarks by Belgian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs, and of Defence, in charge of Beliris and Federal Cultural Institutions, Didier Reynders

12h45

Networking Lunch

Please note, the panel debates will be moderated by Prof. Inge Govaere, Professor of European Law; Jean Monnet Chair in EU Legal Studies; Director, Ghent European Law Institute (G.E.L.I.) and Director of the European Legal Studies Department, College of Europe, Bruges.

For your information, the event will take place in English.

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