



Agenda

Webinar Series on Development and COVID-19

Responsible Investment for Development and Human Rights: Assessing Different Mechanisms to face Possible Investor-State Disputes from COVID-19 Related Measures

30 July 2020 – 14h00 to 15h30 (CET)

14h00-14h05	Welcoming Remarks
	Prof Carlos Correa, Executive Director, South Centre
14h05-14h15	Kickoff Speaker
	Prof. Muthucumaraswamy Sornarajah, Emeritus Professor, National University of Singapore
14h15-14h20	Introduction by Moderator
	Dr Mariama Williams, Coordinator, Sustainable Development, Climate Change and Gender Program, South Centre
14h20-14h50	Discussion Panel
	CARICOM response on COVID-19, including possible challenges and perspectives on the reform of international investment dispute system arising from the experience of coping with the impacts of COVID-19. Dr Chantal Ononaiwu, Trade Policy & Legal Specialist, Office of Trade Negotiations (OTN), CARICOM Secretariat
	Experience of the African Union regarding the current state of regional efforts for investment reform and the various investment related measures taken in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic by African Union Member States. Dr Roslyn Ng'eno, Senior Investment Expert, Department of Trade and Industry, African Union Commission
	The role of State mechanisms and institutions to coordinate a national response to international investment disputes related to COVID-19 measures, including aftercare and prevention of investment disputes. Dr Claudia Salgado Levy, National Director of International Affairs, General Attorney Office of the Republic of Ecuador
	Update on the recent 'Call for ISDS Moratorium During COVID-19 Crisis and Response' issued by CCSI, South Centre and other eminent persons, as well as the response it has received. Dr Lise Johnson, Head Investment Law and Policy, Columbia Centre for Sustainable Investment.
14h50-15h20	Q&A Session
15h20-15h30	Closing Remarks