Draft Agenda – Workshop on Toward Building Resilient Supply Chains - A Possible Role of Investment Policy

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CTI Project: “Towards building resilient supply chains – a possible role of investment policy”

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Objective of the project

➢ To promote the liberal investment provisions in FTAs/EPAs and BITs with a view to contributing to the eventual realisation of high-quality and comprehensive FTAAP.
➢ To explore a balanced investment policy approach and to analyze new issues to facilitate a sustainable business environment both under the COVID-19 crisis and in the post-COVID era.

Possible discussion points at the workshop

➢ Comparative stock-takes of BITs and investment-related provisions in FTAs/EPAs.
➢ Good practices of BITs and investment-related provisions in FTAs/EPAs and its challenges.
➢ Analysis of new issues in the post-COVID era.
➢ Analysis of a possible role played by BITs and investment related provisions in FTAs/EPAs under the COVID-19 crisis.
   • What could be the possible new roles played by BITs and investment provisions in FTAs/EPAs?
   • How BITs and investment provisions in FTAs/EPAs could help to enhance supply chain resilience?
   • How the treaties could prevent excessive introduction of investment protection measures?

Japan is also trying to promote...

➢ Cross-fora collaboration
➢ Synergy with existing projects
➢ Collaboration with the international organisation
➢ Collaboration with the business community

More details...

➢ Tentative dates for the workshop: 13 and 14 May 2021
➢ The General Information to be circulated in March

Keep the dates open!

Any questions...?

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More details...
Thank you!