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**OECD India Investment Roundtable
Hotel Intercontinental The Grand
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*OPPORTUNITIES AND POLICY CHALLENGES
FOR INVESTMENT IN INDIA*

DRAFT AGENDA

18 October, Monday

19.00 onwards Dinner reception for all participants, hosted by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) at Hotel Maurya Sheraton (Nandiya Gardens)

19 October, Tuesday

10.30-11.30 Registration and Tea

11.30-12.15 Opening Remarks

- *Mr. Richard Hecklinger*, Deputy Secretary-General, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
- *Mr. Kamal Nath*, Minister of Commerce and Industry, Government of India
- *Mr. Dhruv M. Sawhney*, Past President, Confederation of Indian Industry

12.15-12.45 Press briefing (OECD Secretariat and Government of India representatives)

Session 1: India's Investment Policies: Progress and Future Directions

12.15-16.00

Co-chairs: Mr. Manfred Schekulin, Chairman, OECD Investment Committee and *Mr. A. K. Jha*, Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India

Rapporteurs: OECD Secretariat and Global Forum Participant

Designing the policy framework

Presentation

- India's Investment Policies and Outlook: *Mr. Umesh Kumar*, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, India (15 minutes)

Lead discussants

- World Bank's perspective on the investment climate in India: *Mr. Michael Carter*, World Bank Resident Representative in India (10 minutes)
- The experience of an OECD-member country: *Mr. Dominique Bocquet*, Delegate to OECD Development Assistance and Investment Committees, France (10 minutes)

Background documentation

- Country presentation of India's investment policy.
- Recent FDI trends for the OECD region and the rest of the world.
- Member country positions under the OECD Code of Liberalisation of Capital Movements and the National Treatment instrument of the OECD Declaration on International Investment and Multinational Enterprises.
- Recent World Bank survey on investment climate in India.

Open discussion (40 minutes)

13.30-15.00 **Lunch**

Policy implementation in practice

- Scene-setting presentation by *Dr. Shubhashis Gangopadhyay*, Director, India Development Foundation (10 minutes)
- Investment policy transparency experience in an OECD-member country, *Mrs. Anna-Maj Hultgard*, Deputy Director International Trade Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden (10 minutes)
- Policy coherence across regions: *Mr. K.V. Rao*, Principal Secretary (Industries), State Government of Andhra Pradesh, India (10 minutes)
- Open discussion (30 minutes)

Background documentation

- Country presentation of India's investment policies
- OECD Framework on Investment Policy Transparency
- OECD Checklist of FDI Incentive Policies

Session 2: Sectoral FDI Policies – the case of infrastructure and public utilities

16.00-17.00

Co-chairs: Mr. Rainer Geiger, OECD Secretariat and Mr. Dhanendra Kumar, Secretary, Road Transport and Highways, India

Rapporteurs: OECD Secretariat and Global Forum Participant

- Scene-setting presentation on India's government policies, and constraints faced by investors in infrastructure and other public utilities development, *Mr. Vinayak Chatterjee*, Chairman, CII Infrastructure & Regulatory Council, and Chairman, Feedback Ventures Pvt Ltd (10 minutes)
- Business perspective: *Mr. Nigel Shaw*, CEO, British Gas India, (10 minutes)
- Recent FDI and policy trends in the sector: *Mr. Ken Davies*, Principal Administrator, OECD Secretariat (10 minutes)
- Open discussion (30 minutes)

Background documentation:

- Prospects and Challenges for Investment in India: Background Report
- Regulatory Treatment of FDI in Infrastructure and Public Utilities and Recent Trends: The OECD Experience

17.00-17.15 Coffee break

Concluding Session: Road Ahead – Investment Partnership with India

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17.15-17.30 Summary reports from the co-chairs of the previous sessions

17.30-18.00 “OECD and India: Working Together on Investment Matters”: Open discussion and conclusion by the co-chairs

20.00 *Dinner hosted by the OECD at the Hotel Intercontinental The Grand*

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