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Future of the World Trading System: Asian Perspectives

Inception Workshop

Asian Development Bank Institute, Kasumigaseki Building 8F, Tokyo

Friday, 31 August 2012, 10:00 - 17:10

09:30 – 10:00 Registration

10:00 – 10:10 Welcome remarks: Dr. Masahiro Kawai, Dean and Chief Executive Officer, ADBI

Session 1: Production Networks in East Asia

10:10 – 10:30 Paper 1: Shifting Patterns of Supply Chain Production: The agents of change
Presenter: Patrick Low, World Trade Organization

10:30 – 10:50 Paper 2: Trade in Value-Added: A new perspective of international trade
Presenter: Satoshi Inomata, Institute of Developing Economies, JETRO

10:50 – 11:10 Paper 3: The Role and engagement of SMEs in the regional production value-chains
Presenter: Ganeshan Wignaraja, ADBI

11:10 – 11:40 Open discussion

11:40 – 11:55 Break

Session 2: Reform of the WTO

11:55 – 12:15 Paper 4: The relevance of WTO rules in the 21st century
Presenter: Biswajit Dhar, Research and Information System for Developing Countries

12:15 – 12:35 Open discussion

12:35 – 13:45 Lunch

Session 3: Free Trade Agreements

13:45 – 14:05 Paper 5: Asian FTAs: Trends and challenges
Presenter: Masahiro Kawai and Ganeshan Wignaraja, ADBI

14:05 – 14:25 Paper 6: The AEC: Progress and Challenges
Presenter: Chia Siow Yue, Singapore Institute of International Affairs

14:25 – 14:45 Paper 7: Multilateralizing of FTAs: An Asian Perspective
Presenter: Shujiro Urata, Waseda University

14:45 – 15:15 Open discussion

15:15 – 15:30 Break

Session 4: Commercial and Industrial Policies

15:30 – 15:50 Paper 8: Mapping new forms of protectionism
Presenter: Simon Evenett, University of St. Gallen

15:50 – 16:10 Paper 9: Industrial Policy and Green Growth
Presenter: Sanghoon Ahn, Korea Development Institute

16:10 – 16:30 Paper 10: Exchange Rates and Protectionism
Presenter: Victor Pontines, ADBI and Richard Pomfret, University of Adelaide

16:30 – 17:00 Open discussion

17:00 – 17:10 Close - Masahiro Kawai, Patrick Low and Ganeshan Wignaraja

(17:30 – 19:30 Dinner)