

# Fifth Conference on International Coordination of Secured Transactions Reform

*Coordinating new instruments with the existing international framework and enhancing regional reforms*

4 – 5 October 2022

UNIDROIT Headquarters, Rome, Italy

(online participation also possible)

## DRAFT AGENDA

### DAY 1 – TUESDAY 4 OCTOBER

13:00 – 14:30	Registration
14:30 – 15:00	Opening Remarks
15:00 – 16:15	<p><b>Panel 1 - Coordination in the legislative development of secured transactions instruments – an overview</b></p> <p><i>This panel will allow the rules-formulating organisations to provide a general overview of current projects and future anticipated projects related to the development of secured transactions instruments, as well discuss possible reforms.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ignacio Tirado (UNIDROIT)</li><li>- José Angelo Estrella Faria (UNCITRAL)</li><li>- Gérardine Goh Escolar (HCCH)</li></ul>
16:15 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 18:00	<p><b>Panel 2 – Coordinating new instruments under development and the existing international framework</b></p> <p><i>This panel will discuss how specific secured transactions that are currently in development are being coordinated with existing international instruments, with a focus on the UNCITRAL-UNIDROIT Model Law on Warehouse Receipts; the UNIDROIT Model Law on Factoring; the UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law; the UNIDROIT project on Best Practices for Effective Enforcement and the UNCITRAL text on Access to Credit for MSMEs.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Anna Veneziano (UNIDROIT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- William Brydie-Watson (UNIDROIT)</li><li>- Jae Sung Lee (UNCITRAL)</li><li>- Neil Cohen (Brooklyn Law School)</li><li>- Louise Gullifer (University of Cambridge)</li></ul>

**DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER**

08:30 – 9:00	Registration
09:00 – 10:15	<p><b>Panel 3 – Joint Network for Coordinating and Supporting Secured Transactions Reform: further steps to improve coordination</b></p> <p><i>This panel will discuss how the Joint Network could further support the coordination of secured transactions reform through possible initiatives such as the development of an online platform maintained by the network.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ignacio Tirado (UNIDROIT)</li> <li>- Monica Canafoglia (UNCITRAL)</li> <li>- TBC (IFC)</li> <li>- Jeannette Tramhel (OAS)</li> <li>- Spyridon Bazinas (NatLaw)</li> </ul>
10:15 – 11:15	<p><b>Panel 4 - Coordinating secured transactions reforms with the private sector and non-governmental organisations</b></p> <p><i>The panel will examine how private sector and non-governmental entities participate in the design and implementation of secured transactions reforms and consider how such arrangements could be improved.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Spyridon Bazinas (NatLaw)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TBC (FCI)</li> <li>- Bob Trojan (World of Open Account)</li> <li>- Richard Kohn (Secured Finance Network)</li> <li>- Chris Wohlert (APFF-FIND)</li> </ul>
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 12:45	<p><b>Panel 5 - Implementation of secured transactions reforms in the agricultural sector</b></p> <p><i>This panel will explore the implementation of reforms that increase access to credit in the agricultural sector, including financing along the agricultural supply chain, warehouse receipts and crop receipts.</i></p> <p>Moderator: José Angelo Estrella Faria (UNCITRAL)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Philine Wehling (UNIDROIT)</li> <li>- TBC (FAO)</li> <li>- TBC (IFC)</li> <li>- Marek Dubovec (ILI)</li> </ul>
12:45 – 14:15	Lunch
14:15 – 15:15	<p><b>Panel 6 – Coordinating the implementation of secured transactions reforms – the role of International Financial Institutions</b></p> <p><i>This panel will bring together international financial institutions that are active in undertaking secured transactions reforms to discuss recent developments and experiences.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Elaine MacEachern (IFC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Milot Ahma (TBC) (EBRD)</li> <li>- TBC (ADB)</li> <li>- TBC</li> </ul>
15:15 – 16:30	<p><b>Panel 7 – Coordinating the implementation of secured transactions reforms at a regional level with a special focus on gender</b></p> <p><i>This panel will discuss secured transactions reform initiatives that are being undertaken at a regional level and discuss recent work on how secured transactions reform supports women’s financial inclusion and economic empowerment.</i></p>

	<p>Moderator: Jeannette Tramhel (OAS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mike Dennis (APEC)</li> <li>- Andy Woolnough (Women's World Banking)</li> <li>- TBC (FSD Kenya)</li> </ul>
16:30 – 16:45	Coffee break
16:45 – 17:30	<p><b>Panel 8 – Coordinating secured transactions reforms with regulatory agencies</b></p> <p><i>This panel will explore how the design and implementation of secured transactions reforms should be coordinated with regulatory agencies.</i></p> <p>Moderators: Don Wallace (ILI)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TBC (IMF)</li> <li>- Giuliano Castellano (University of Hong Kong)</li> <li>- Marek Dubovec (ILI)</li> <li>- TBC</li> </ul>
17:30 – 17:45	Conclusions and recommendations