

Global Dialogue on Trade Platform

Discussion Forum

TERMS OF USE

PREAMBLE

The Global Dialogue on Trade (“Platform”) is a public-private platform led by the International Chamber of Commerce (“ICC”). The Platform allows an open dialogue between businesses, think tanks and multi-lateral institutions via a discussion forum (“Forum”).

The purpose of the Forum is to enable participants to shape the reform process of the multilateral rules-based trading system. The Platform is composed of 2 sections, a private part which access is limited to a selected number of users; and a public part which access is opened to all users fulfilling the conditions and requirements set forth in the terms and conditions published in the public section of the Platform.

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If you wish to have a Forum account, you must provide current, accurate, and complete information about yourself and Private Users during the account registration process. You undertake to maintain the confidentiality of your Forum password and account, and you agree to assume all liabilities and responsibilities for any and all activities that occur under your account. You must maintain and promptly update any account information provided to ICC in order to keep such information up to date, accurate and complete.

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- Post any content that infringes any patent, trademark or copyright of any party;
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