



*Secured Finance to Facilitate Sustainable Economic Growth and
Improve Food Security*

Economic Committee

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8-10 October 2025

Program

Day 1: 8 October 2025

<i>8:30- 9:00</i>	<i>Registration</i>
<i>1st Session</i>	<i>Opening, Presentation of Study, and Main Focus Areas</i>
<i>9:00-</i>	<i>Part 1: Opening Remarks</i> <i>Speakers:</i>

9:15	Professor Renta Nishihara, President, Rikkyo University Yoshi HAYAKAWA, Rikkyo University, Japan & SELI Convenor
9:15- 9:20	Photo-taking Session
9:20- 10:00	Part 2: Presentation of the Study on International Standards for Agriculture Financing and Food Security Speakers: Marek DUBOVEC, International Law Institute (United States) Michael J. DENNIS, International Consultant (United States)
2 nd Session	Overview of Specific Implementation Challenges
10:00- 11:30	Part 1: APEC Economy Frameworks for Agricultural Financing – Civil Law Moderator: Marek DUBOVEC Speakers: Lyu QI, Beijing Fnlegor Law Firm (China) Elsa AYALA, IFC Consultant (Mexico) Lourdes Chero PACHECO, Advisor, National Council of Competitiveness and Formalization of the Ministry of Economy and Finance (Peru) Nguyen DOAN TRANG, Principal Researcher, National Institute for Economics and Finance (Vietnam) Irfan ADHITYA PERMADI, Associate Policy Analyst, Coordinating Ministry for Economic Affairs (Indonesia)
11:30-	Coffee Break

11:45	
11:45-13:15	Part 2: APEC Economy Frameworks for Agricultural Financing – Common Law Moderator: Louis EMERY, PEL Aviation Services (United States) Speakers: Khairon Niza MD AKHIR (Malaysia) Bruce WHITTAKER, University of Melbourne (Australia) Thomas JOHNSON, International Law Institute (United States) Dora NEO, National University of Singapore (Singapore) Maranatha LETUAN, Senior Legal Officer, Department of Justice & Attorney General -- Office of State Solicitor (Papua New Guinea)
13:15-14:30	Lunch provided by the sponsor
3 rd Session	Overview of International Standards
14:30-15:45	Part 1: Uses and Benefits of International Standards in Agricultural Financing Moderator: Yoshi HAYAKAWA Speakers: William BRYDIE-WATSON (UNIDROIT) Elsa Ayala Thomas JOHNSON Thomas CLARK (Asian Development Bank)

15:45- 16:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
16:00- 17:30	<i>Part 2: The UNCITRAL Model Law on Secured Transactions and Related Guides (e.g., Registry and Practice Guide)</i> Moderator: Michael J. Dennis Speakers: Megumi HARA, Chuo University (Japan) Bruce WHITTAKER Jae SUNG LEE (UNCITRAL)

Day 2: 9 October 2025

8:30- 9:00	<i>Registration</i>
9:00- 9:10	<i>Introduction and Summary of Day 1</i> Marek DUBOVEC
4 th Session	<i>Overview of the Cape Town Convention System</i>
9:10- 10:30	<i>Part 1: Economic Benefits and Contribution to Food Security</i> Moderator: Michael J. DENNIS Speakers: Shawn HUNTER, ADB Consultant (Australia) Alexander RUSS (Association of Equipment Manufacturers)

	JC PARRENAS (ABAC) Padraic SWEENEY, Machinery Team Lead, Department of Commerce (U.S.)
10:30- 10:45	CTC Opening Remarks Louis EMERY
10:45- 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00- 12:30	Part 2: Core Features of the MAC Protocol Moderator: William BRYDIE-WATSON Speakers: Bruce WHITTAKER Megumi HARA Teresa Rodríguez de las HERAS BALLELL, University of Madrid (Spain)
12:30- 14:00	Lunch provided by the sponsor
14:00- 15:00	Part 3: Transactions and Types of Equipment Moderator: William BRYDIE-WATSON Speakers:

	Johan EIDEBERG, Association of Equipment Manufacturers (U.S.) Satoru KOYAMA, Japan Construction Equipment Manufacturers Association (CEMA)(Japan) Yuichiro AKITA (Berne Union) Anna VENEZIANO (UNIDROIT)
15:00– 15:15	Coffee Break
15:15– 17:00	Part 4: Plenary Session: Interactive Discussion with Participants Moderator: Will BRYDIE-WATSON Speakers: Lourdes Chero PACHECO Lyu QI Bruce WHITTAKER Maranatha LETUAN

Day 3: 10 October 2025

8:30- 9:00	Registration
9:00- 9:10	Introduction and Summary of Day William BRYDIE-WATSON
5 th Session	Other Key Instruments
9:10- 10:45	Part 1: UNIDROIT Model Law on Leasing Moderator: Michael J. DENNIS Speakers: Rafael CASTILLO-TRIANA, ALTA Group (U.S.) Louis EMERY Keith RODWELL (Alta APAC)
10:45- 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00- 12:30	Part 2: UNCITRAL-UNIDROIT Model Law on Warehouse Receipts Moderator: Bruce WHITTAKER Speakers: Teresa Rodríguez de las HERAS BALLELL Elsa AYALA Lyu QI
12:30-	Lunch

14:00	
6 th Session	<i>Plenary Session: Applying Lessons Learned, Conclusions and Recommendations</i>
14:00 – 15:15	<i>Part 1: Industry Benefits from International Standards for Agriculture Finance Products</i> <i>Moderator:</i> William BRYDIE-WATSON <i>Speakers:</i> Alexander RUSS Chris WOHLERT (ABAC) Shawn HUNTER
15:15 – 15:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
15:30 – 16:50	<i>Part 2: Interactive Session—Applying Lessons Learned and Path Forward</i> <i>Discussion with the Participants/Conclusions and Approval of the Recommendations</i> <i>Moderators:</i> Marek DUBOVEC/Michael J. DENNIS <i>Speakers:</i> William BRYDIE-WATSON Bruce WHITTAKER Megumi HARA Teresa Rodríguez de las HERAS BALLELL

16:50- 17:00	<i>Closing Remarks</i> Yoshi HAYAKAWA, SELI Convenor, Japan
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