



Negotiating Group on the Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI)

Expert Group No.4 on “Institutional Matters”

AGENDA

Meeting on 18 October 1996

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1. **Adoption of the Agenda** DAFFE/MAI/EG4/A(96)1

2. **Implementation and operation of the MAI**

Note by the Chairman DAFFE/MAI/EG4(96)1

Contributions from Member Countries

For Reference:

Implementation of the Agreement: Role of the Parties Group DAFFE/MAI(96)24
(Note by the Chairman of the Negotiating Group)

Selected Texts (Part I: Implementation and Operation of Multilateral Agreements) DAFFE/MAI/RD(96)40

3. **Accession of Non-members**

Note by the Chairman DAFFE/MAI/EG4(96)2

Contributions from Member Countries

For Reference:

Selected Texts (Part II: Accession to Multilateral Agreements) DAFFE/MAI/RD(96)40

4. **Future Work and Other Business**

Notes to the Agenda

At its first meeting, the Expert Group is invited to focus on implementation and operation of the MAI and accession of Non-Members with a view to making proposals, including proposals for text where appropriate, to the Negotiating Group at its December 1996 meeting.

Discussion under items 2 and 3 will be based on Notes by the Chairman. Written country contributions are also welcome.

With respect to item 4 of the agenda, the Expert Group will note that it is scheduled to meet on 21-22 November. The Group should decide what further work needs to be done in advance of that meeting, including possible preparation of text, to complete its proposals with respect to agenda items 2 and 3. In addition, it should decide what work needs to be done in advance of the meeting to carry out its mandate on the relationship of the MAI to the WTO Agreements and other international agreements.

Annex

MANDATE FOR EXPERT GROUP N° 4 ON “INSTITUTIONAL MATTERS”

1. The Expert Group, open to participation of all delegations, is charged with considering the following topics:
 - a. Implementation and operation of the MAI, including the role of the Parties Group
 - b. Accession of Non-Members
 - c. Relationship of the MAI to the WTO Agreements and other international agreements
2. The Group will meet in October and November and make proposals, including proposals for text where appropriate, to the Negotiating Group at its December 1996 meeting. Its first meeting should focus on implementation and operation of the MAI and accession of Non-Members.
3. The Group’s mandate will terminate after its report to the Negotiating Group, unless the Negotiating Group decides otherwise.