**TENTATIVE SUBJECTS FOR IC MEETINGS**

**January – December 2016**

PROPOSALS FOR THE AGENDA of IC 2016 (www.investment.com.al):

1. Conduct a study on investor’s concerns in selected areas of business regulation, focused on current status of ineffective dispute settlement mechanisms, as alternative to the judicial system. Analyse will be focused on dispute settlement mechanisms within public administration.
2. Conduct an analyse on the role of the Albanian public sector, towards a better business regulatory environment – case the implementation of the anticorruption strategy, or the reform on administrative courts, as an important part of creating a competitive investment environment for private sector development.
3. Develop a deeper study on *Informality at Sectorial Level:*
* Agro-industry(meat, milk, medicinal herbs, )
* Trade
1. Develop an “*Analysis on Access to Finance for Private Sector*” sectorial approach, i.e Agro-tourism.
2. Analyses on *“Enforcement of Contracts in Banking Sector*”- execution procedures of collateral and judicial procedures to be followed by the Banks in the Courts.
3. Analyses on “*Reform on Justice and Expectations in Improving the Business Climate”.* What are the business expectations from Justice Reform? Will it help in reducing corruption?
4. Analyses on “*Electronic Signature”-* challenges in its implementation, legal improvements and practical application.
5. *“Monitoring and Evaluation of the Implementation of the Risk Model in Tax Inspections and VAT Automatic Reimbursement Procedures”.*
6. “*Reform of Inspections”* – Assessment of reform implementation and business opinion on inspection procedures, rights and obligations of involved parties – energy, hydrocarbons, mines, environment, agro processing (TBD)
7. “*Comparative Analysis of Foreign Investments among Albania and Western Balkan Countries*”. *(incentives and targeting policies)-benchmarking exercise.*
8. *“Getting Electricity for Businesses”-* procedures, costs, timeframes. Analyses on the Doing Business Report Indicator.
9. *“The Role of small hydro-generation projects in Energy Market”* – identification of the main problems in production, transmission and trading of energy, market model.
10. “*Implementation of the Legislation on Public Private Partnership and Free Economic Zones”* – Assessment from business perspective.
11. *“Custom Procedures”-* Assessment from the business on opportunities of trade facilitation on the view of EU integration (import/export procedures for meet, references prices, inspection procedures) .
12. Pilot study *“On Intellectual and Industrial Property Rights*”. Asses the current support mechanism and promotion.
13. *“Assessment of the Property Registration Process*” - digitalisation of property titles register, updating of data, and services provided to individuals and businesses.
14. Conduct an analyses of the current Albanian workforce skill and lack of market –oriented skills towards an attractive investment climate.