



Foreign Direct Investment in the Time of COVID-19: Policy Options for Asia

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) crisis is having strong and adverse effects on foreign direct investment (FDI) flows, with potentially long-term consequences for Asian economies. Short-term delays in the implementation of investment projects, and long-term adjustments from multinational enterprises to secure production resilience will impact the region's investment potential. This webinar aims to analyze global trends in FDI and understand how national and international FDI policies could play a role in supporting Asia in the post-COVID-19 economic recovery.

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21 July 2020 (Tuesday), 1:00-2:30pm (Manila)
MS Teams Meeting

Setting the Scene: *Trends in FDI in Developing Asia*
Rolando Avendano, Economist, ERCD, ADB

**Panel Discussion on Foreign Direct Investment in the Time of
COVID-19: Policy Options for Asia**

Moderator:
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Panelists:

- **Maria Borga**, Deputy Division Chief for Balance of Payments Division, International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- **Amelia Santos-Paulino**, Chief of Investment Research Section, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- **Alma Karma**, Director Promotion Development, Indonesian Investment Coordinating Board (BKPM)
- **Julien Chaisse**, Professor, School of Law, City University of Hong Kong

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