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The benefits expected from a market economy derive from competition. For the game to be fair we need a level playing field and rules that apply equally to all. This is why, for example, we expect FfD3 to address the issue of the unfair impact over competition of bilateral investment treaties that give big TNCs access to Investor-State Dispute Settlement Mechanisms, allowing them to sue governments at special arbitration panels while SME only have access to national courts. This system has not resulted in increased investment and has been abused so much that it is high time to revise it. The network of over 3,000 bilateral a

This is achievable, but it requires fundamental changes in prevailing unsustainable consumption and production patterns. Ultimately it requires a major change in paradigms. Including on how we do business.

Thank you.