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This issue of the *ICSID Caseload – Statistics* updates the profile of the ICSID caseload, historically and for the calendar year 2011. It is based on cases registered or administered by ICSID as of December 31, 2011.

As in the previous issues, this document illustrates: the number of cases registered under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules; the number of other cases administered by the ICSID Secretariat; the basis of consent to ICSID jurisdiction invoked in registered arbitration and conciliation cases; the geographic distribution of ICSID cases by the State party to the dispute; the economic sectors involved in ICSID disputes; the outcomes in ICSID arbitration and conciliation proceedings (including further information on disputes decided by arbitral tribunals); the nationality and geographic origins of arbitrators, conciliators and *ad hoc* committee members appointed in ICSID proceedings; and outcomes to date in annulment proceedings under the ICSID Convention.

The Secretariat will continue to publish the *ICSID Caseload – Statistics* on a bi-annual basis, and welcomes any comments or suggestions by email at ICSIDsecretariat@worldbank.org.
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ALL CASES REGISTERED AND ADMINISTERED
BY ICSID
1. Map of the ICSID Contracting States and Other Signatories to the ICSID Convention as of December 31, 2011
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As of December 31, 2011, ICSID had registered 369 cases under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules.
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The ICSID Secretariat offers various levels of administrative and organizational support for non-ICSID dispute settlement in State-State or investor-State proceedings. Among the State-State cases administered in the past decade are the *Southern Bluefin Tuna* case (Australia and New Zealand v. Japan), an expert determination proceeding under the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960, and an arbitration under the Softwood Lumber Agreement of 2006 (United States v. Canada).

The Centre also frequently provides administrative assistance to investor-State arbitrations under the UNCITRAL Rules or other *ad hoc* dispute settlement provisions. The Centre’s services in these proceedings range from support with the organization of hearings to administrative services comparable to those provided in ICSID cases. The Secretariat also acts as appointing authority, and decides proposals for disqualification of arbitrators, upon request. In addition to administering UNCITRAL arbitrations, ICSID has also assisted with the organization of hearings in arbitration proceedings conducted under the auspices of the ICC, LCIA, PCA, and other institutions.
4. Basis of Consent Invoked to Establish ICSID Jurisdiction in Registered ICSID Cases

Chart 5: Basis of Consent Invoked to Establish ICSID Jurisdiction in Cases Registered under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules:

- Agreement between the United States of America and the Sultanate of Oman on the Establishment of a Free Trade Area (Oman-U.S. FTA) - 1%
- Energy Charter Treaty (ECT) - 4%
- ASEAN Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investments - 1%
- North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) - 4%
- Investment Law of the Host-State - 6%
- Investment Contract between the Investor and the Host-State - 20%
- Dominican Republic—United States-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) - 1%
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- Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT) - 63%
5. Geographic Distribution of All ICSID Cases by State Party Involved

Chart 6: Geographic Distribution of All Cases Registered under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules by State Party Involved*:

- South America: 30%
- Central America & the Caribbean: 7%
- North America (Canada, Mexico & U.S.): 5%
- Eastern Europe & Central Asia: 23%
- Western Europe: 1%
- Sub-Saharan Africa: 16%
- Middle East & North Africa: 10%
- South & East Asia & the Pacific: 8%

* The classification of the geographic regions above is based on the World Bank’s regional system, available at http://web.worldbank.org/WEBSITE/EXTERNAL/COUNTRIES/0,,pagePK:180619~theSitePK:136917,00.html, and also includes World Bank donor countries.
6. Distribution of All ICSID Cases by Economic Sector

Chart 7: Distribution of All Cases Registered under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules by Economic Sector*:

- **Agriculture, Fishing & Forestry**: 5%
- **Oil, Gas & Mining**: 25%
- **Electric Power & Other Energy**: 13%
- **Water, Sanitation & Flood Protection**: 6%
- **Construction**: 7%
- **Oil, Gas & Mining**: 25%
- **Other Industry**: 11%
- **Transportation**: 11%
- **Tourism**: 5%
- **Services & Trade**: 4%
- **Finance**: 7%
- **Information & Communication**: 6%

7. ICSID Arbitration and Conciliation Proceedings – Outcomes

Chart 8: Arbitration Proceedings under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules – Outcomes:

- Dispute decided by Tribunal: 61%
- Dispute settled or proceeding otherwise discontinued: 39%

Chart 9: Disputes Decided by Arbitral Tribunals under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules – Outcomes:

- Award declining jurisdiction: 23%
- Award dismissing all claims: 30%
- Award deciding that the claims are manifestly without legal merit: 1%*
- Award upholding claims in part or in full: 46%

* Pursuant to ICSID Arbitration Rule 41(5) and Article 45(6) of the Arbitration (Additional Facility) Rules, as adopted by the ICSID Administrative Council in 2006, a party may at an early stage of the proceeding file an objection that a claim is manifestly without merit. If the Tribunal decides that the claims are manifestly without legal merit, it shall render an award to that effect.
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![Pie chart showing conciliation commission reports issued (67%) and proceedings discontinued (33%).]

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- **North America (Canada, Mexico & U.S.)** 23%
- **South America** 10%
- **Central America & the Caribbean** 2%
- **Middle East & North Africa** 5%
- **Sub-Saharan Africa** 2%
- **South & East Asia & the Pacific** 9%
- **Eastern Europe & Central Asia** 2%
- **Western Europe** 47%

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Chart 14: Arbitrators, Conciliators and ad hoc Committee Members Appointed in Cases Registered under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules – Distribution of Appointments by ICSID and by the Parties (or Party-appointed Arbitrators) by Geographic Region*:

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PART II

CASES REGISTERED AND ADMINISTERED
BY ICSID IN 2011
1. New Cases Registered by ICSID in 2011

Chart 1: Number of New Cases Registered under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules in 2011:

[Bar chart showing the number of cases registered under various categories: ICSID Convention Arbitration Cases (33), ICSID Convention Conciliation Cases (1), ICSID Additional Facility Arbitration Cases (4).]

2. Non-ICSID Cases Administered by the ICSID Secretariat in 2011

Chart 2: Number of Non-ICSID Cases Administered by the ICSID Secretariat in 2011:

[Bar chart showing the number of cases categorized as UNCITRAL (4) and Other Cases (1).]
3. Basis of Consent Invoked to Establish ICSID Jurisdiction in New Cases Registered in 2011

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5. Distribution of New ICSID Cases Registered in 2011, by Economic Sector

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6. ICSID Arbitration Proceedings Concluded in 2011 – Outcomes

Chart 6: Arbitration Proceedings under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules concluded in 2011 – Outcomes:

- Dispute decided by Tribunal: 60%
- Dispute settled or proceeding otherwise discontinued: 40%

Chart 7: Disputes Decided by Arbitral Tribunals under the ICSID Convention and Additional Facility Rules in 2011 – Outcomes:

- Award declining jurisdiction: 25%
- Award dismissing all claims: 25%
- Award upholding claims in part or in full: 50%
7. Arbitrators and \textit{ad hoc} Committee Members Appointed in ICSID Cases in 2011

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- North America (Canada, Mexico & U.S.) 19%
- South America 21%
- Central America & the Caribbean 2%
- Middle East & North Africa 3%
- Sub-Saharan Africa 3%
- South & East Asia & the Pacific 15%
- Eastern Europe & Central Asia 2%
- Western Europe 35%

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