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To Dr. Rajeswari Sengupta Associate Professor of Economics Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research

Dear Prof. Sengupta,

Greetings from Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), India, which is one of the premier academic institutions in India (https://www.iift.ac.in/iift/index.php).

In order to facilitate knowledge dissemination and exchange of ideas among scholars focussing on international trade and finance related research questions, in 2008 IIFT decided to organize a Conference series entitled *Conference on Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance* (EIITF). By convention the Conference is organized in alternate years and takes place in New Delhi and Kolkata Campuses of the Institute, by rotation. The Institute is going to organize the *Ninth* EIITF Conference this year, to be held at the Institute premises at *Kolkata* during 12-13th December 2024.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the EIITF Conference 2024, I take this opportunity to invite you as a special presenter for this academic event. It will be our pleasure if you can accept the invitation and present a paper on a topic of your choice, related to the broad theme of International Trade and Finance, at the EIITF 2024 Conference.

We hope you will be able to accept our invitation in spite of your busy schedule and share your valued expertise in the field of International Trade and Finance with the participants at the Conference. It will of course be our pleasure to take care of your travel arrangements and local hospitality.

Delhi Campus: B-21, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi- 110 016 Phone: (011) 3914 7200 - 05 It is my pleasure to share with you that all the earlier EIITF Conferences have received overwhelming responses from the academia and the policy research community in India and abroad. The academic discussions during the past conferences also received substantial rigour due to the participation of many renowned academicians and policy researchers as invited speakers, including: Prof. Pol Antràs (Harvard University), Prof. Joshua Aizenman (University of Southern California), Prof. Richard Baldwin (Graduate Institute, Geneva), Prof. Pranab Bardhan (University of California, Berkeley), Prof. Jeffrey H. Bergstrand (University of Notre Dame), Prof. Graciela Chichilnisky (Columbia University), Prof. Alan V. Deardorff (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor), Prof. Maitreesh Ghatak (London School of Economics), Prof. Geeta Gopinath (Harvard University), Dr. Bernard Hoekman (World Bank), Prof. Kala M. Krishna (Pennsylvania State University), Prof. James R. Markusen (University of Colorado, Boulder), Dr. Will Martin (World Bank), Dr. Mia Mikic (UNESCAP), Dr. Hildegunn Kyvik Nordås (OECD), Prof. Jim Rollo (University of Sussex), Prof. Shujiro Urata (Waseda University), Dr. Ganeshen Wignaraja (Asian Development Bank Institute), Prof. L. Alan Winters (University of Sussex).

I am enclosing the web-page containing all the details of the past EIITF Conference for your kind records: http://eiitf.iift.ac.in/.

It will of course be our pleasure to respond to any comments / queries from your end.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours truly,

Bibek Ray Chaudhuri

Co-Convenor,

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