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9th Session World Trade Institute, University of Bern

Is WTO reform feasible? Lessons from political science research

Professor Manfred Elsig

Wednesday, 3 April 2019
WTO room S2

Programme:

10:30 - 11:00	Registration & coffee	
11:00 – 11:05	Introduction	Rodolfo Rivas, Senior Counsellor Mission of Israel to the WTO
11:05 - 12:05	<i>Is WTO reform feasible? Lessons from political science research</i>	Professor Manfred Elsig Deputy Managing Director World Trade Institute
12:05 -12:25	Discussion and Q & A	



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Manfred Elsig is Professor of International Relations and Deputy Managing Director of the World Trade Institute of the University of Bern. He studied at the universities of Bern and Bordeaux and earned a degree in political science. He worked from 1997 to 1999 at the Swiss Federal Office for Foreign Economic Affairs. He later joined the Political Science Institute at the University of Zurich and received his PhD (Dr Phil) in 2002 with a dissertation on European Union trade policy. From 2002 to 2004 he worked for UBS financial services group and as a personal advisor to the Minister of Economy of Canton Zürich. In 2004-2005 he was a teaching fellow at the International Relations Department at the London School of Economics and Political Science. From 2005 to 2009 he worked as a post-doc fellow at the World Trade Institute and at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva. From 2009 to 2013 he was an Assistant Professor at the World Trade Institute. His research focuses primarily on the politics of international trade, regional trade agreements, European trade policy, international organisations, US–EU relations, and private actors in global politics. He has published in international peer-reviewed journals including *International Studies Quarterly*, *European Journal of International Relations*, *European Union Politics*, *Journal of European Public Policy*, *Journal of Common Market Studies*, *Review of International Organizations*, *Review of International Political Economy*, and *World Trade Review*. He has been visiting lecturer/visiting professor at the University of Zurich, the University of Geneva, the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, the London School of Economics and Political Science, and the Thunderbird School of Global Management. His courses include international political economy (IPE), international relations theories, international institutions, globalisation and European integration, and research methods.



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