

A World Trade Institute Conference on

What Kind of Dispute Settlement for the WTO?

Monday, 4 February 2019
at the World Trade Organization, Geneva
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- 9:20 – 9:30** Welcome by **Prof. Dr. Elisa Fornalé**, SNSF Professor, World Trade Institute, Bern
- 9:30 – 11:00** **Session 1: How to ensure the independence and impartiality of WTO adjudicators?**
- Chair: **H.E. Mr. Didier Chambovey**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the WTO, Geneva
- Panelists: **Prof. Dr. em. Thomas Cottier**, Founder, World Trade Institute, Bern
Mr. Daniel Crosby, Partner, King & Spalding, Geneva
Mr. Stephen Fevrier, Head of Mission, Permanent Delegation of Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States to the United Nations, Geneva
Prof. Dr. Petros Mavroidis, Columbia Law School, New York
Mr. Niall Meagher, Managing Director, Advisory Center on WTO Law, Geneva.
- 11:30 – 13:00** **Session 2: How to balance prompt settlement with adequate settlement of disputes?**
- Chair: **H.E. Mr. Roberto Zapata Barradas**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the WTO, Geneva
- Panelists: **Mr. James Flett**, Deputy to the Director of the WTO Team, Legal Service, European Commission, Brussels
Dr. Christian Häberli, Senior Research Fellow, World Trade Institute, Bern
Mr. Marco Tulio Molina Tejada, Minister Counsellor, Deputy Permanent Representative, Mission of Guatemala to the WTO, Geneva
Mr. Alan Yanovich, Partner, Akin Gump, Geneva.
- 13:00 – 14:30** Lunch break

- 14:30 – 16:00** **Session 3: How to ensure that dispute settlement contributes to the security and predictability of the multilateral trading system?**
- Chair: **H.E. Mr. J.S. Deepak**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of India to the WTO, Geneva
- Panelists: **Mr. Philippe De Baere**, Managing Partner, Van Bael & Bellis, Brussels
Prof. Jennifer Hillman, Georgetown Law Center, Washington D.C.
Prof. Robert Howse, New York University School of Law, New York
Prof. Dr. em. Ernst Ulrich Petersmann, European University Institute, Florence
Mr. Frieder Roessler, former Managing Director, Advisory Center on WTO Law, Geneva.
- 16:30 – 18:00** **Session 4: Has WTO dispute settlement made a useful contribution to the rule of law and the development of international law?**
- Chair: **Dr. Marion Jansen**, Chief Economist, UNITC, Geneva (tbc)
- Panelists: **Prof. Dr. em. Georges Abi Saab**, Graduate Institute, Geneva
Prof. Dr. Gabrielle Marceau, Senior Counsellor, Legal Affairs Division, WTO
Mr. Nicolas Lockhart, Partner, Sidley, Geneva
Mr. Robert McDougall, Director & Principal, Cadence Global, Geneva
Prof. Dr. Joseph Weiler, New York University School of Law, New York.
- 18:00 – 18:10** Closing by **Prof. Dr. Michael Hahn**, Director of the Institute for European and International Economic Law of the University of Bern Law School and Director at the World Trade Institute, Bern

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