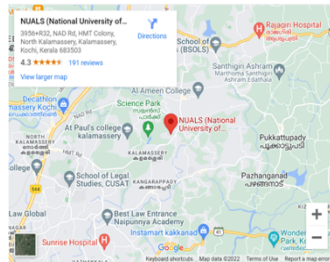




SAIELN'S THIRD BIENNIAL CONFERENCE ON FOOD SECURITY AND INTERNATIONAL LAW: CRITICAL AND INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES

19th – 20th December 2022, National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi



Monday, 19th December 2022

10:00 am – 10:50 am IST

INAUGURAL SESSION

10:00 am – 10:05 am	<p>WELCOME REMARKS</p> <p>Prof. James J. Nedumpara Professor and Head, Centre for Trade and Investment Law, India Chair, WTO Chairs Programme, and Co-Chair, South Asia International Economic Law Network</p>
10:05 am – 10:15 am	<p>VICE CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS</p> <p>Prof. K. C. Sunny Vice Chancellor, National University of Advanced Legal Studies</p>
10:15 am – 10:25 am	<p>INAUGURAL ADDRESS</p> <p>Prof. Colin Picker Professor of International Law and Executive Dean, Faculty of Business and Law, University of Wollongong</p>
10:25 am – 10:30 am	<p>SIEL PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS</p> <p>Prof. Peter Van den Bossche Director of Studies, World Trade Institute, University of Bern, Professor of International Economic Law, Faculty of Law, University of Bern, and President, Society of International Economic Law</p>
10:30 am – 10:45 am	<p>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</p> <p>Mr. B.V.R. Subrahmanyam Former Commerce Secretary, Government of India</p>
10:45 am – 10:50 am	<p>CONCLUDING REMARKS</p> <p>Prof. Leila Choukroune Professor of International Law, University of Portsmouth & Director, University of Portsmouth Thematic Area in Democratic Citizenship and Co-Chair, South Asia International Economic Law Network</p>

BREAK: 10:50 am – 11:05 am IST



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11:05 am – 12:05 pm IST PANEL SESSION ON AGRICULTURAL TRADE IN THE WTO: IN SEARCH OF A PERMANENT SOLUTION TO FOOD SECURITY

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CHAIR: **Dr. Sachin Sharma**
Associate Professor, Centre for WTO Studies

PANELLISTS: **Mr. Siraj Hussein** (Virtual)
Senior Visiting fellow, International Economic Relations (ICRIER), Former Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Former Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing

Dr. Elumalai Kannan
Associate Professor, Centre for Studies of Regional Development, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Ms. Prachi Singhal (Virtual)
Deputy Director, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India

Prof. J.P. Singh
Professor, International Commerce and Policy in Schar School of Policy and Government, George Mason University, USA

12:05 pm– 1:35 pm IST SESSION I: INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW PERSPECTIVES ON FOOD SECURITY [PAPER PRESENTATION]

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CHAIR: **Prof. Colin Picker**
Professor of International Law and Executive Dean, Faculty of Business and Law, University of Wollongong

PRESENTERS:

- Prof. M. Gandhi**, Vice President, Indian Society of International Law and Former Dean, VIT Law School, Chennai
The Coordination of International Human Rights Law and International Economic Law in Achieving Food Security
- Ms. Rashmi Venkatesan** Assistant Professor of Law, National Laws School of India University, Bengaluru
Domesticating International Economic Laws: Food Security and Farmers Rights in India (Virtual)
- Dr. Anjani Singh Tomar**, Associate Professor of Law and Head, Academic Affairs, Gujarat National Law University, **Dr. Saira Gori**, Assistant Professor of Law, Gujarat National Law University, and **Mr. Vikram Amrawanshi**, Teaching and Research Associate (Law), Gujarat National Law University
India's Public Stockholding Policy vis-a-vis WTO Rules: Is it Abiding by De Minimis Limit?



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4. **Ms. Sunanda Tewari**, Consultant (Legal), Centre for Trade and Investment Law and **Ms. Manya Gupta**, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law
Right to Regulate under the WTO Agreements: The Differential Interpretations and its Application to Food Security
5. **Ms. Vishakha Srivastava**, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for WTO Studies and **Mr. Ashutosh Kashyap**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law
Sustainable Food Systems and the SPS Agreement
6. **Ms. Amandeep Kaur Bajwa**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law and **Mr. Pranav Narang**, Research Associate, Department of Commerce
Tracing the Metamorphosis of the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures Vis-À-Vis Sustainable Trade Practices in Food, Plants and Animals

DISCUSSANT: **Prof. Markus Wagner**, Associate Professor, University of Wollongong

LUNCH: 1:35 pm – 2:35 pm IST

2:35 pm– 4:05 pm IST SESSION II: FOOD SECURITY: EXPERIENCE IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD [PAPER PRESENTATION]

CHAIR: **Prof. Suresh Nanwani**
Professor in Practice, School of Government and International Affairs, Durham University, United Kingdom

PRESENTERS:

1. **Ms. Mafruza Sultana**, PhD Candidate, South Asian University
Effect of Armed Conflict on Food Security: A study of Bangladesh
2. **Mr. Tonny Raymond Kirabira**, PhD Candidate, University of Portsmouth
Assessing the impact of Chinese Agricultural Investments on Socio-Economic Rights in Uganda
3. **Dr. Kalim Siddique**, Senior Lecturer in Economics, Department of Accounting, Finance and Economics
Food Security and the Challenges of Globalisation
4. **Ms. Rajeshwari Dasgupta**, PhD Candidate, Jadavpur University
Women, Food Security, and the Pandemic in Rural and Peri-Urban Areas of West Bengal (Virtual)
5. **Ms. Viola Nabawanda**, Lawyer and Project Assistant, Uganda Christian Lawyers' Fraternity
The Impact of Climate Change on the Right to Access to Food Within the East African Community (Virtual)
6. **Ms. Imjot Kaur**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment law and **Mr. Arnav Sharma**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law
The North and South of Food Insecurity: International Financial Institutions, Global Food Crisis and TWAAIL

DISCUSSANT: **Dr. Sachin Sharma**, Associate Professor, Centre for WTO Studies



BREAK: 4:05 pm – 4:25 pm IST

**4:25 pm– 6:00 pm IST SESSION III: INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES ON FOOD SECURITY
[PAPER PRESENTATION]**

CHAIR: Prof. James J. Nedumpara
Professor and Head, Centre for Trade and Investment Law, India Chair, WTO Chairs Programme, and Co-Chair, South Asia International Economic Law Network

PRESENTERS:

1. **Prof. David Orden**, Professor, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and **Dr. Lars Brink**, Independent Agricultural Policy Advisor & Associated Faculty, Global Issues Initiative (GII), Institute for Society, Culture and Environment (ISCE) at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Revising the WTO Measurement of Agricultural Price Support to Resolve the Impasse on Public Stockholding (forthcoming Trade, Law and Development, Winter Issue 2022) (Virtual)
2. **Prof. Colin Picker**, Professor of International Law and Executive Dean, Faculty of Business and Law, University of Wollongong
Pandemic and Post-Pandemic Supply Chain Crises Impacts on Food Security: The Role of International Trade Law
3. **Prof. Markus Wagner**, Associate Professor, University of Wollongong
Cultivated Foods Meet International Trade – An Uneasy, but Necessarily Budding Relationship
4. **Ms. Krishna Bhattacharya**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law and **Ms. Mahima Ahuja**, Cost Accountant (TRAC), Centre for Trade and Investment Law
Food Security and Trade: Public Stockholding Through the Lens of Economics and Law
5. **Ms. Vasundhara Dhar**, Undergraduate Student, Birla School of Law, Birla Global University
Harnessing Free Trade Agreements for Sustainable Agricultural Practices (Virtual)

DISCUSSANT: Prof. Kenneth Holland, Professor & Dean (Academics, Research & International Affairs), Jindal Global Law School, O.P Jindal Global University (Virtual)



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Tuesday, 20th December 2022

10:00 am– 11:40 am IST SESSION IV: FOOD SECURITY THROUGH SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
[PAPER PRESENTATION]

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CHAIR & SPECIAL ADDRESS: **Mr. Yashvir Singh**

Economic Advisor, Department of Commerce, Government of India

PRESENTERS:

1. **Prof. Sairam Bhat**, Professor of Law and Centre Coordinator, Centre for Environmental Law Education, Research and Advocacy, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru and **Ms. Aparna S.**, Research Fellow, Centre for Environmental Law Education, Research and Advocacy, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru
Agriculture and Climate Policy: Evolving Resource Equity in Food Security (Virtual)
2. **Dr. Sujata Kar**, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, Kakinada and **Prof. Zillur Rahman**, Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Roorke
Stepping Stones towards Food Security in India: An Overview of India's Trade Policy (Virtual)
3. **Ms. Ayushi Singh**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law and **Mr. Ritvik R. Rai**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law
Weighing the Gains of Sustainability Chapters in Free Trade Agreements – Impact on Traditional Practices and Indigenous Groups
4. **Mr. Ahamed Ashiq Shajahan**, Research Fellow, Centre for WTO Studies and **Ms. Lakshmi Swathi Ganti**, Research Fellow, Centre for WTO Studies
Promoting food security through public stockholding – Indian perspective and challenges at the WTO
5. **Ms. Devika Ramachandran**, PhD Candidate, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi
Seed Regulation Laws in India and its impact on Farmers Rights with reference to Seed Regulation Bill, 2019
6. **Ms. Bhavnish Kaur Chhabda**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law and **Mr. Advaith Rao**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law
Conceptualising cultural aspects of food as a facet of food security: a rights-based approach

DISCUSSANT: **Prof. James J. Nedumpara**, Professor and Head, Centre for Trade and Investment Law, India Chair, WTO Chairs Programme, and Co-Chair, South Asia International Economic Law Network

BREAK: 11:40 am – 12:00 pm IST



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12:00 pm– 1:00 pm PANEL SESSION ON CIVIL SOCIETY PERSPECTIVES ON FOOD SECURITY: TAKING POLICIES FROM GLASS-FRONTS TO GRASSROOTS

CO-ORGANISED BY THEMATIC AREA IN DEMOCRATIC CITIZENSHIP, UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH AND CUTS INTERNATIONAL

CHAIRS: **Prof. Leila Choukroune**
Professor of International Law, University of Portsmouth & Director, University of Portsmouth Thematic Area in Democratic Citizenship

Dr. Veena Vidhyadharan
Fellow, CUTS International Jaipur

PANELLISTS: **Mr. Chatura Rodrigo** (Virtual)
Founder, Green Space Consultancies, Gampaha, Sri Lanka

D. Dhanuraj, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Centre for Public Policy Research, Kerala

Dr. Nitya S. Ghotge (Virtual)
Executive Secretary, Anthra, Pune

Dr. Partha J. Das (Virtual)
Head, Water, Climate and Hazard Division, Aaranyak, Guwahati

Ms. Mansi Shah
Program Manager for the Future of Work Activities, Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA)

Mr. P.V Satheesh (Virtual)
Director, Deccan Development Society [Millet Sisters Network]

LUNCH: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm IST

2:00 pm– 3:45 pm SESSION V: LITIGATING FOOD SECURITY [PAPER PRESENTATION]

CHAIR: **Mr. Ajit Joy**, Advocate, High Court of Kerala and former Programme Manager, Country Manager, United Nations Office on Drug and Crime

PRESENTERS:

- Mr. Madhav Mallya**, Associate Professor, Jindal Global Law School, O.P Jindal Global University
International Investment Law and Post-Colonial Land Re-Distribution Disputes
- Ms. Smrithi Bhaskar**, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law and **Ms. Shana Sharma**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law
Protecting Food Security under International Investment Agreements
- Mr. Shinya Ito**, PhD Candidate, University College London
The Definition of Conflict between WTO Law and the Right to Food: Untangling the Confusions and Reformulating the Analytical Perspective (Virtual)



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4. **Prof. Jaya Vasudevan**, Alexander von Humboldt Postdoctoral Fellow at the Institute for Foreign and International Private and Business Law, at the Heidelberg University, and Professor, Hidayatullah National Law University
Food Security & Arbitrating Disputes: Conflicts & Compromises

5. **Ms. Clarisse Delaville**, DCL Candidate, McGill Faculty of Law
A Regime Complex for Food Security: An Analysis of International Law Regulating International Food Assistance (Virtual)

6. **Ms. Ronjini Ray**, Consultant (Legal), Centre for Trade and Investment Law and **Mr. Jamshed Siddiqui**, Research Fellow, Centre for Trade and Investment Law
Measures impacting food security and its justification under WTO law – An assessment of unilateral sanctions impacting the global food crisis

DISCUSSANT: **Prof. Colin Picker**, Professor of International Law and Executive Dean, Faculty of Business and Law, University of Wollongong

3:45 pm– 4:45 pm PANEL SESSION ON THE ROLE OF BLUE ECONOMY IN PROMOTING FOOD SECURITY

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CHAIR: **Prof. Pierre Failler** (Virtual)
Professor, Faculty of Business and Law, Director, UNESCO Chair in Ocean Governance, Centre for Blue Governance, University of Portsmouth

PANELLISTS: **Dr. He Yuan**
Research Fellow for UNESCO Chair in Ocean Governance, Centre for Blue Governance, University of Portsmouth

Dr. John Virdin (Virtual)
Director, Ocean and Coastal Policy Program, Nicholas Institute for Energy, Environment & Sustainability, Duke University

Prof. Eddie H. Allison (Virtual)
Executive Director, Science and Research, WorldFish

Dr. Marleen Schutter (Virtual)
Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Washington, EarthLab and WorldFish

Prof. Achille E Assogbadjo (Virtual)
Professor, University of Abomey-Calavi, Benin

Prof. Flora Chadare (Virtual)
Professor, Université Nationale d'Agriculture, Benin



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Dr. Joice V. Thomas

Chief Executive, Network for Fish Quality Management & Sustainable Fishing (NETFISH), Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA), Government of India

4:45 pm – 5:25 pm CLOSING SESSION

4:45 pm – 4:50 pm WELCOME REMARKS

Prof. Leila Choukroune

Professor of International Law, University of Portsmouth & Director, University of Portsmouth Thematic Area in Democratic Citizenship

4:50 pm – 4:55 pm DISTINGUISHED ADDRESS

Prof. Suresh Nanwani

Professor in Practice, School of Government and International Affairs, Durham University

4:55 pm – 5:10 pm VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

Mr. Sudhanshu Pandey

Common Election Commissioner, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep and Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, and Former Food and Public Distribution Secretary, Government of India.

5:10 pm – 5:20 pm SPECIAL ADDRESS

Dr. Werner Zdouc

Director, Knowledge and Information Management, Academic Outreach and WTO Chairs Programme Division, and Former Director, WTO Appellate Body Secretariat

5:20 pm – 5:25 pm CONCLUDING REMARKS

Prof. James J. Nedumpara

Professor and Head, Centre for Trade and Investment Law, India Chair, WTO Chairs Programme, and Co-Chair, South Asia International Economic Law Network

HIGH TEA: 5:25 pm – 5:50 pm IST



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