WTI Global Economic Governance Seminar Series

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The US and the multilateral trading system

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For current MILE and TRAIL+ students, this seminar is worth 1.5 ECTS.

Biography of the Speaker

Mr Graham is member of the WTO appellate body. He is the former head of the international trade practice at King & Spalding, and he was the founder of the international trade practice at Skadden, Arps. He was one of the first US lawyers to represent respondents in trade remedy cases in various countries around the world, and he was among the first to bring economists, accountants, and other non-lawyer professionals into the international trade practices of private law firms.

Prior to entering private practice, Mr Graham served as Deputy General Counsel in the Office of the US Trade Representative. Early in his career, he was a Legal Officer of the United Nations, in Geneva; and a visiting professor of law and staff member of Ford Motor Company, in Caracas, Venezuela.

Mr Graham was the founding chairman of the American Society of International Law's Committee on International Economic Law, and he served as chair of the American Bar Association's Subcommittee on Exports. He has been a visiting professor at the University of North Carolina Law School, and an adjunct professor at the Georgetown Law Center and the American University Washington College of Law. He has edited books on international trade policy, and international trade and environment, and he has written many articles and monographs on international trade law and policy as a Guest Scholar at the Brookings Institution, and as a Senior Associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. He also is the co-author, with his daughter, of Getting Open: The Unknown Story of Bill Garrett and the Integration of College Basketball (Simon & Schuster, Atria Books, 2006; Indiana University, paperback, 2008).

Mr Graham received his undergraduate degree from Indiana University, and his J.D. from Harvard Law School.

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