

Trade, Environment and Climate Change

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Course description

This course will examine the relationship between trade and the environment with particular emphasis on climate change. The main principles of international environmental law will be set forth while exploring provisions in the WTO Agreement that deal with the environment and relevant WTO cases where environmental issues have arisen. Students will analyse the WTO toolbox that may provide a means to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve the environment and the ongoing environmental negotiations in the DDA.

Course details

Participants: Open course (MILE, TRAIL+, DAS, CAS and à la Carte)

Requirement: Optional

Price: CHF 1'200 (only for à la Carte participants)

Format: Modular, expository-interactive lecture

ECTS: 3 (only for MILE, TRAIL+, DAS and CAS)

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Thomas Bernauer: Thomas Bernauer is a professor of political science at ETH Zurich. He and his research group are based at the Center for Comparative and International Studies (CIS), a joint institution of ETH Zurich and the University of Zurich, and at ETH Zurich's Institute of Science, Technology and Policy (ISTP). Thomas Bernauer obtained his PhD from the University of Zurich in 1992. In 1988-92 he was a researcher at the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research in Geneva, in 1992-94 a postdoctoral researcher at Harvard University, and in 1994-95 a senior lecturer at the University of Zurich. In 1995 he was appointed assistant professor at ETH Zurich, in 1999 associate professor, and in 2004 full professor. In 2004-2006 Thomas Bernauer was Dean of ETH Zurich's department of social sciences and humanities, and in 2005-2009 director of the Center for Comparative and International Studies. From 2004 - 2012 he was a member of the Swiss National Science Foundation's (SNSF)

Research Council. In 2011-2012 he served as President of the SNSF division (IV), which is responsible for national research programs, NRP, and national centers of excellence, NCCR. Since 2015, he serves as Director of ETH Zurich's Institute of Science, Technology and Policy (ISTP). In his research and teaching, Thomas Bernauer focuses on how environmental, economic, and security problems that extend beyond national borders can or could be solved. He is the author or co-author of ten books, more than 100 scientific journal articles and book chapters, and many other types of publications. His publications have, for example, appeared with Princeton University Press and in political science, economics, and natural sciences journals, for instance *International Organization*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *Ecological Economics*, *World Development*, *Nature Climate Change*, *Global Environmental Change*, *Environmental Science and Technology*, *Energy Policy*, and *Water Resources Research*.

Luca Rubini: Dr Luca Rubini is Reader (Associate Professor) and Deputy-Director of the Institute of European Law at the University of Birmingham, Law School. Luca served as legal secretary to Advocate General Francis Jacobs at the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg. He has held various visiting positions at the European University Institute, the Institute of International Economic Law (Georgetown University), the World Trade Institute, Bocconi University. He is faculty member of the MILE and of the Graduate School of Economics and International Relations (ASERI), Milan, and Fellow to the Centre of European Law, King's College London. Dr Rubini has law degrees from the Catholic University in Milan (JD) and King's College London (MA and PhD) and is admitted to practice in Italy and England and Wales. Luca Rubini's main expertise lies in the regulation of public subsidies. His current research interests revolve around the regulation of subsidies to promote clean energy. Among his recent publications: *The Definition of Subsidy and State Aid – WTO and EC Law in a Comparative Perspective* (OUP, 2009) and *Microsoft on Trial: Legal and Economic Analysis of a Transatlantic Antitrust Case* (Elgar, 2010).

Eric Strobl: Eric is Professor of Environment and Development Economics with the Department of Economics, University of Zurich. His main research is in the area of applied development economics but he has also published in the areas of international, environmental and labour economics. He is currently working on the economics of natural disasters linking economics with techniques from the natural sciences. Eric has published over 100 papers including in the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *European Economic Review*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Urban Economics* and the *Canadian Journal of Economics*.