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Taipei 9-11 July 2025

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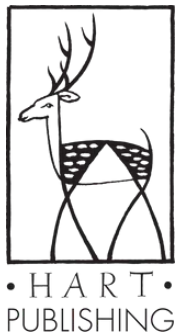


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## SIEL 2025 Conference Ninth Biennial Global Conference 9-11 July 2025

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Tsai-Lecture Hall, National Taiwan University

## Day 1 | Wednesday 9 July 2025



Tsai-Lecture Hall, National Taiwan University

8:30 – 9:30 | **Registration**

9:30 – 9:45 | **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

**Locknie Hsu**, Professor, SMU | President, SIEL

9:45 – 10:30 | **Opening Keynote Address**

**Ing-Wen Tsai**, Former President, Taiwan, *tbc*

10:30 - 10:45 | **Break**

10:45 – 11:30 | **Lecture on the Rule of Law in International (Economic) Law**

**Gregory Schaffer**, Professor, Georgetown University

11:30 – 12:45 | **Roundtable Discussion I: Trade in Semi-Conductors**

*Moderator:* **Pijan Wu**, Senior Counsel, LCS & Partners



VENUE

**Ariel Joshua Leinwand**, Export Control Officer, American Institute in Taiwan *tbc*

**Christoph Saurenbach**, Head of Trade Section at the European Economic and Trade Office (EU Office in Taiwan), *tbc*

**Mari Shimizu**, Professor, Graduate School of Law and Politics, Osaka University | Of Counsel, Anderson Mōri & Tomotsune

12:45 – 14:00 | **Lunch Break**



VENUE

**Side event with support of TradeLawGuide: The Relevance of WTO Law to Regional Trade Agreements and Investment Treaties**

**Susan Foote** and **Greg Tereposky**

### Panel 1: Taiwan's Participation in a Changing Landscape of Global Trade: Opportunities and Challenge

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Pei-Kan Yang**, National Chengchi University

**Nan-Hsun Chang**, Soochow University  
*Using the Trade Remedy Mechanism to Bridge the Sustainability Standards Gap: Implications for Taiwan*

**Ching-Wen Hsueh**, National Chengchi University

*Finding the Missing Puzzles of Gender Aspects in the US-Taiwan Initiative on 21st Century Trade*

**Chieh Huang**, Oxford Brookes University  
*Informal Trade Barrier Investigation Mechanisms: The Case of Taiwan*

**Hsien Wu**, National Taipei University of Business

*Taiwan Participation in WTO Dispute Settlement Proceedings: Lessons for Dispute Settlement Reforms*

### Panel 2: Between A Rock and A Hard Place: (Geo)politics in International Economic Law Adjudication

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Lorand Bartels**, University of Cambridge

**Victor Crochet**, Nishimura & Asahi/University of Cambridge  
*Increasing Deference: The Evolving Role of the EU Courts in a Tensed Political Context*

**Ohiocheoya Omiunu**, University of Kent  
& **Suzzie Onyeka Oyakhire**, Leeds Beckett University

*Towards a Contextual Approach: Redefining Trade Dispute Resolution for African Integration*

**Amy Porges**, Porges Trade Law PLLC  
*Geopolitics in GATT Dispute Settlement*

**Tommaso Soave**, Central European University

*The Backstage Politics of International Economic Tribunals*

**Xueji Su**, University of Macau  
*Chinese Courts in Geopolitical Tensions: Inconsequential or Instrumental?*

### Panel 3: Inclusive Trade in Latin America: Advances and Challenges in Digitalization

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Amrita Bahri**, ITAM

**Gerald Solano Aguilar**, Universidad Nacional

*Digital Gender Gap in Central America, Cases of Costa Rica, El Salvador and Guatemala*

**Izabella Vergara Arenas**, Universidad de los Andes

*(Re)Thinking Trade and Gender in Colombia: Challenges of Gender Inclusion from a Non-binary Perspective*

**Ignacio Sánchez González**, IEI, Universidad de Chile

*Enabling Inclusive Trade in Services: The Role of Digital Platforms*

**Victor Saco**, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Perú

*Benefits of International Trade in Peru: Does Gender Matter?*

## Panel 4: Breaking the Stalemate: Recent Approaches to WTO Rule Making and Its Implications

 Room TBC

*Moderator:* **James J Nedumpara**, Centre for Trade and Investment Law

**Sandeep T Chandy**, Government Legal Department, UK & **Aditya Laddha**, University of Geneva

*Beyond Formal Rules: Legal Status of WTO Ministerial Decisions*

**Federico Ortino**, KCL

*The Turn to 'Good Regulatory Practices' in International Economic Law: Mapping the Trend and its Implications*

**Antoine Comont**, University of Bordeaux/Laval University

*Between an Uncertain Feasibility and a Lack of Legitimacy : A Call to Rationality in the Debate on Plurilateral Initiatives*

## Panel 5: ISDS in the Eye of the Storm - Legacy and Contemporary Issues Arising

 Room TBC

*Moderator:* **Emily Hay**, Arb Boutique

**Wolfgang Alschner**, University of Ottawa  
*Mobilizing Capital: Political Risk Insurance and the International Investment Regime*

**Pushkar Anand**, University of Delhi/  
Macquarie University  
*Reorienting International Investment Law around the Principle of Access to Remedy for Human Rights Abuses*

**Ljiljana Biukovic**, University of British Columbia  
*The ISDS Era in North America Winds Down for Canada: Chronicling NAFTA Legacy Claims*

**Caroline Henckels**, Monash University  
*If Not to Exclude Compensation, What Are Investment Treaty Exceptions For?*

**Sungjin Kang**, Kim & Chang  
*Using ISDS in Merger Control Contexts*

**Gautam Mohanty**, Kozminski University &  
**Sai Ramani Garimella**, South Asian University  
*Third-Party Funders and the "Weaponization" of Counterclaims in ISDS*

## Panel 6: Digital Asset and Digital Finance

 Room TBC

*Moderator:* **Commissioner Ya-Lun Yen**, Taiwan Fair Trade Commission

**Christopher Chao-hung Chen**, NTU  
*Legal Infrastructure of Tokenization of Trade Finance and Cross-border Commerce*

**Yueh-Ping (Alex) Yang**, NTU  
*Rethinking the AML/CFT of Virtual Asset: Time to Focus on the Miners*

**Nydia Remolina Leon**, SMU  
*The Collapse of Cryptoexchanges and the Legal Treatment of Digital Assets in Insolvency*



**Panel 7: General International Law on Countermeasures as Bedrock of the World Trading System in Challenging Times**

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Lothar Ehring**, European Commission

- Cornelia Furculita**, University of Speyer  
*The Inapplicability of Art. 23 DSU to the Enforcement of non-WTO International Obligations*
- Gabrielle Marceau**, University of Geneva  
*Sanctions in Response to Human Rights Violations and the Limitations of WTO General Exceptions*
- Satoru Taira**, Osaka City University  
*Sanctions in Response to Uses of Force and the Limitations of the WTO Security Exceptions*
- Geraldo Vidigal**, University of Amsterdam  
*The Permissibility of Enforcing WTO Rights When WTO Dispute Settlement is Blocked*
- Satoru Taira & Lothar Ehring**  
*Countermeasures as Justification for WTO non-Performance*

**Panel 8: Towards a Resilient Global Supply Chain: Navigating Geopolitical Shifts and International Economic Law**

 Room TBC

- Moderator: **Thomas Streinz**, EUI
- Amy Yi-Ju Chen**, Office of Trade Negotiations, Executive Yuan, Taiwan  
*Geopolitics Undead: Power Blocs, Critical Mineral Alliances, and the Lifeline of the Multilateral Trade Order*
- Christian Delev**, University of Bristol  
*How the Chains are Made: Reconceptualising the Governance of Global Value Chains*
- Han-Wei Liu**, SMU & **Ching-Fu Lin**, National Tsing Hua University  
*TSMC and Regulatory Dynamics of the Global Semiconductor Supply Chain*
- Yoshiko Naiki**, Nagoya University  
*The Geopolitics of Sustainable Transition: The Case for the EU Battery Passport and Its Effects on Supply Chains in Asia*
- Rohan**, Graduate Institute Geneva  
*Capacity-Building through Trade Relations: Packaging to Address Structural Labour Adjustment in Developing Economies*
- Yue Zhao**, Singapore International Arbitration Centre  
*International Arbitration at a Crossroads: Building Resilience in the Face of Geopolitical Disruption*

**Panel 9: Shaping Rules for Inclusive and Sustainable Trade: New Global and Regional Approaches**

 Room TBC

- Moderator: **Pasha Hsieh**, SMU
- Olabisi D. Akinkugbe**, Dalhousie University  
*Sustainability and Inclusion in African Regional Trade Agreements*
- Ilaria Colombo**, Bocconi University  
*US and EU Unilateral Trade Measures on Forced Labor in Global Supply Chains*
- Kevin Gray**, Trade Law Bureau, Government of Canada *tbd*  
*Regulating Climate Change Measures - Should the TBT Agreement Apply?*
- Meredith Kolsky Lewis**, University at Buffalo  
*Leading from the Bottom Up: New Zealand as the Common Denominator*
- Ying-Jun Lin**, Chung Yuan Christian University  
*Indigenous People's Rights and Inclusive Trade: Asia-Pacific Perspectives and Progress*
- Tibisay Morgandi**, Queen Mary University of London  
*Balancing Accountability and Inclusiveness: Navigating the EU's Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive*



**Panel 10: Prospects, Challenges and Emerging Trends in Modern Regional Trade Agreements**

 **Room TBC**

*Moderator:* **Colin Picker**, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology

**Mandy Meng Fang**, City University of Hong Kong

*Exploring the Untapped Potential of Free Trade Agreements for Plastic Pollution Governance*

**Sparsha Janardhan**, Centre for Trade and Investment Law & **Advaiyot Sharma**, CUTS International

*Metamorphosis of International Trade Agreements: Finding a Place “in-between” the International Economic Law Landscape*

**Muluken Kassahun Amid**, Mattu University

*AfCFTA as a Tool of Unlocking Opportunities for Landlocked Countries in Africa*

**Panel 11: Perspectives on the Intersection of Trade and Public Health**

 **Room TBC**

*Moderator:* **Joanna Redelbach**, Van Bael & Bellis

**Yoshimichi Ishikawa**, University of Shizuoka

*WTO’s Potential Role in De Facto Rule-Making for Alcohol Cancer Warnings*

**Francisco Hernández Fernández**, WTO  
*How Local Can Global Trade Be? The Case of Local Production of Medicines. Reflections After the COVID-19 Pandemic and the Current State of Globalization*

**Pramiti Parwani**, University of Amsterdam  
*Diversifying Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Chains: the Impact of the SCM Agreement*

**Panel 12: Supply Chain, Geopolitics and the Imperative of FDI Screening**

 **Room TBC**

*Moderator:* **Locknie Hsu**, SMU

**Agata Daszko**, University of Edinburgh  
*Watching the Watchmen: The Role of National Courts in Investment Screening - Evidence from the UK*

**Jiaqi Huang**, City University of Hong Kong  
*The Role of Supply Chain Cybersecurity under the Context of FDI Screening*

**Christos Karetzos**, City Law School  
*Goeconomic reordering: International economic law Under (re)construction? The Case of Foreign Investment Screening on National Security Grounds*

**Jochem de Kok**, University of Amsterdam / A&O Shearman  
*Supply Chain Resilience as Economic Security Interest in EU Investment Screening Law*

**Junianto James Losari**, City University of Hong Kong  
*Global Geoeconomics and Geopolitics Development: An Analysis of Asian Countries’ Investment Screening Mechanisms*



Day 2 | Thursday 10 July 2025

8:30 – 9:15 | **Registration & Regional Networks Breakfast Meetings:**  
Asian International Economic Law Network | Middle East International Economic Law Network |  
South Asian International Economic Law Network | Latin American Network of International Economic Law |

9:30 – 11:00 | **Parallel Sessions**

**Panel 13: Economic Resilience and National Security in IEL: Divergent Approaches of Advanced Economies and Emerging Markets**

 Room TBC

*Moderator: Ugur Hekim, Cassidy Levy Kent*


**Diana María Beltrán-Vargas**, Universidad Externado de Colombia  
*Food Security and National Security in Latin America's IEL Landscape*

**Natália de Lima Figueiredo**, Federal University of Sao Paulo  
*Critical Minerals: Power Dynamics in the Age of Energy Transition and Economic Security*

**Tim Ellemann**, EUI  
*Technological Competition in Investment Screening: Turning the Tables for Technology Transfers*

**Henry Gao**, SMU  
*Can Trade Wars be Good? Balancing Economic Resilience and National Security*

**Panel 14: Sustainable Fuel Technologies for the Green Transition in Light of Trade Law: Time to Reshape the Trade-and-Climate Nexus?**

 Room TBC

*Moderator: Ilaria Espa, Università della Svizzera italiana*

**Kateryna Holzer**, University of Eastern Finland  
*Balancing Economic and Environmental Objectives: Lessons from the WTO Disputes Over Biofuel Sustainability Standards*

**Anna Panarella**, Università della Svizzera italiana  
*Fueling the Energy Transition through Trade: Regulatory Challenges for the Scaling of Sustainable Available Fuels*

**Tetyana Payosova**, International Trade Law and Policy Advisor  
*The EU Approach to Regulating RFNBOs in the Context of Green Industrial Policy and International Trade*

**Panel 15: Subsidies and Sovereignty: Navigating the Legal and Economic Tensions in International Trade and Investment**

 Room TBC

*Moderator: Mark Wu, Harvard Law School, tbc*

**Yong-Shik Lee**, The Law and Development Institute  
*Revival of Industrial Policy: Implications for International Trade Law*

**Wei Yin**, Southwest University of Political Science and Law  
*Rethinking Investment Incentives and International Subsidies Disciplines*

**Pieter Van Vaerenbergh**, RB Legal / KU Leuven  
*Cross-border Subsidies in the EU, WTO and beyond*

**Qianlan Wu**, University of Nottingham  
*The Return of State and Time for Paradigm Shift in Subsidies Regulation?*

## Panel 16: Prospects, Challenges and Emerging Trends in Modern Regional Trade Agreements

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Yueh-Ping (Alex) Yang**, NTU

**María Vásquez Callo-Müller**, University of Lucerne

*Demystifying the Non-disclosure of Source Code in Trade Agreements*

**Moshe Hirsch**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Regulating Digital Trade at the WTO: The Moratorium Debate and Its Discontents*

**Shivani Rajesh**, BITS Law School  
*A Critical Analysis of WTO Joint Statement Initiative on E-commerce in light of Digital Divide And Digital Colonization*

**Shailja Singh**, Centre for Trade and Investment Law  
*Digital Products, Technical Standardization and the WTO: Analysis from an International Trade Law Perspective*  
**Ines Willemyns**, Stanford University  
*Normative Variability and the Future of Digital Regulation in International Trade Law*

## Panel 17: Fuelling Development: The State Between Industrialisation and Financialization

 Room TBC

Moderator and Presenter: **Leïla Choukroune**, University of Portsmouth

*From Green to Blue: The Financialization of Development in a SDGs Disguise*

**Jose M Alvarez-Zarate**, Universidad Externado de Colombia  
*Are WTO Reform Discussions Credible to Fit in Industrial Policies? Balancing the Interests of Developing Countries*

**BonnyLove Ingabire**, University of Portsmouth

*Africa's Evolving Development Finance Landscape: The Critical Role of FDI*

**Suresh Nanwani**, Durham University  
*ADB and other Asian Experiences and Methods for Financing Development*

## Panel 18: Geopolitical Competition and International Financial Governance

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Pierre-Hugues Verdier**, University of Virginia

**Douglas W. Arner**, University of Hong Kong  
*Financial Technology and Geopolitical Competition*

**Tamar Groswald Ozery**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*The Laws of Financial Decoupling: The Use of Financial Lawfare in U.S.-China Friction*

**Robin Hui Huang**, Chinese University of Hong Kong

*Audit Oversight Issues of Overseas-listed Chinese Companies: A Geopolitical Perspective*

**Otabek Ismailov**, Central Asian University  
*Ending the Hegemony of US Dollar*

**Tami Koroye**, University of Bradford  
*Digital Currency: Catalysing AfCFTA and Transcending OCA Limitations for Africa's 2063 Integration*

11:00 – 11:30

**Break**

11:30 – 12:45



**Roundtable Discussion II: Climate Change and Industrial Policy**

*Moderator:* **Peter Van den Bossche**, Professor, Xi'an Jiaotong University

**John Chen-Chung Deng**, Former Minister, Office of Trade Negotiations, Taiwan

**Kazumochi Kometani**, Of Counsel, Nishimura & Asahi

**Viola Lin**, Head of Legal APAC, Ørsted

**Joanna Redelbach**, Counsel, Van Bael & Bellis

**Mark Wu**, Professor, Harvard Law School

12:45 – 14:00



**Lunch Break**

**Side Event Panel: Navigating International Economic Law Academic Careers in a Changing World: Insights, Perspectives and Ideas**

**Tomer Broude**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**Meredith Kolsky Lewis**, University at Buffalo

**Shin-Yi Peng**, National Tsing Hua University

**Colin Picker**, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology

## Panel 19: International Economic Law as Legal Ordering

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Thomas Cottier**, WTI

**Zohra Ahmed**, Boston University

*The Coercive Continuum*

**Harlan G Cohen**, Fordham University

*Alternative International Economic Laws*

**J. Benton Heath**, Temple University

Beasley School of Law

*Economic Sanctions as Legal Ordering*

**Gregory Messenger**, University of Bristol

*Economic Diplomacy and Trade Law's Future*

**Ntina Tzouvala**, UNSW

*International Economic Law After Growth*

## Panel 20: Navigating New State Industrial Policies: Striking a Balance between Protectionism, Liberalization, Development, and Legitimate Policy Objectives in the WTO

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Kapil Sharma**, NALSAR University of Law

**Ambassador Ujal Singh Bhatia**, National Law University Delhi

*The Shifting Paradigm of Global Trade: New Priorities, Old Rules – The Futility of Trying to Square the Circle*

**Sangeeta Godbole**, FLAME University

*Flexibilities under the WTO for Carbon Border Taxes as Developmental, Industrial Policy, and Climate Action Tools*

**Werner Zdouc**, WTI

*WTO Law and Industrial Policy: Constraints, Policy Space, and the Evolving Regulatory Landscape*

**Weihuan Zhou**, UNSW Sydney & **Xiaomeng Qu**, Southwest University of Political Science & Law

*Digital Industrial Policy through Data Security? China's Approach and Security Exceptions under Trade Agreements*

## Panel 21: Balancing Trade, Sustainability and Security: Rethinking Food and Agriculture in Global Governance

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Markus Wagner**, University of Wollongong

**Caroline Foster**, University of Auckland

*Food and Agriculture: Seeking Sustainability*

**Ashutosh Kashyap**, Centre for Trade and Investment Law

*Situating Sustainable Food Systems within the International Trading Regime: What is at Stake for Developing Countries?*

**Michelle Limenta**, Universitas Pelita Harapan

*Navigating Dual Goals: Food Security and Self-Sufficiency in the Context of International Trade Law*

## Panel 22: New Purposes of Export Control

 Room TBC

*Moderator:* **Helen Hai-Ning Huang**, Lee and Li Attorneys-at-Law

**Hui-Heng Hong**, Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited

*Wassenaar Agreement 2.0 – An Evolving Regulatory Regime on Critical Technology*

**Olga Hryniv**, Tilburg University

*Energy Transition at Risk? How EU and US Export Controls Shape the Future*

**Mao-wei Lo**, National Taiwan University

*In the Name of Protecting National Security: The Evolutionary Interpretation of Security Exception Clauses in the Era of Disturbance*

**Anh Nguyen**, University of Amsterdam

*Export Controls and Intellectual Property as Tools of Knowledge Regulation in Quantum Technologies Innovation*

## Panel 23: AI Regulation and International Economic Law

 Room TBC

*Moderator:* **Claire Ching-Yun Liu**, Chen & Chang, Attorneys-at-Law

**Anthony Amunátegui Abad**, Ateneo de Manila University

*Artificial Intelligence and the Transformation of International Trade, Competition, and Democracy*

**Theshaya Naidoo**, University of Kwazulu Natal

*Beyond Borders: The Synergistic Role of AI and Blockchain in Global Supply Chains*

**Rostam J Neuwirth**, University of Macau

*The WTO in the Digital Age of Artificial Intelligence: Problems and Prospects*

**Marta Soprana**, LSE IDEAS

*Trade-relevant Models for AI Governance: 'Brussels Effect' vs 'Singapore Effect'*

**Khorsed Zaman & Kunle Ola**, Australian Catholic University

*International Trade Law in the Era of Generative Artificial Intelligence: Exploring the Regulatory Gaps and Policy Relevance in WTO Law*

## Panel 24: The Future of Energy, Trade and Investment Law: Navigating Transition and Reform

 Room TBC

*Moderator:* **Olabisi Akingkugbe**, Dalhousie University

**Siyu Bao**, University College London

*Are Security Claims Encroaching Public Policy Exceptions? Two Guardrails in WTO Jurisprudence on Energy Security*

**Kim Anh Dao**, Foreign Trade University  
*Navigating Conflicts between Energy Transition Regulations and International Investment Law: Perspectives from Vietnam*

**Nwamaka Rosemary Okany**, University of Amsterdam

*Reform and Future of the Energy Charter Treaty: An African/Global South Perspective*

**Chen Yu**, City University of Hong Kong  
*Investment Treaties at the Crossroads of Energy Transition: Lessons from a Systematic Review of ISDS Cases*



15:30 - 16:00



Break

Side Event: Poster Presentations

16:00 - 17:30



Hudec Lecture | “Talking to Robert Hudec about International Economic Law Today”

José Manuel Alvarez Zarate, Universidad Externado

17:30 - 20:00

Hudec Lecture Reception



TBC

## Day 3 | Friday 11 July 2025

8:30 – 9:15

Registration

Side Event: Early Career Researchers Breakfast Meeting

9:30 – 11:00



Roundtable Discussion III: Investment and Sustainability

*Moderator: tbc*

**Deputy Minister Wen-Chen Shih**, Taiwan Ministry of Environment

**Emily Hay**, Arbitrator and Counsel, Arb Boutique

**Jaemin Lee**, Professor, Seoul National University School of Law

**Greg Tereposky**, Partner, Tereposky & DeRose LLP

**Danielle Yeow**, Lead, Climate Change Law and Policy, Centre for International Law, NUS

11:00 - 11:30



Break

Side Event: Poster Presentations



### Panel 25: The Statecraft of Trade: Balancing Systemic and State Interests

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Elizabeth Sheargold**, Monash University

**Yuka Fukunaga**, Waseda University

*Economic Coercion From a Public International Law Perspective*

**Marcus Gustafsson**, European Commission

**Naoise McDonagh**, Edith Cowan University Perth

*National Security, US Trade Tariffs and the WTO: A Case of Geoeconomic Competition in a New Economic Cold War?*

**Lisa Toohey**, UNSW Sydney  
*Mapping Weaponised Trade*

### Panel 26: Towards an Integrative Approach in Trade Negotiations

 Room TBC

Moderator: *tbc*

**Anastasios Gourgourinis**, University of Athens  
*Streamlining Social Inclusion in FTAs: Making Gender Considerations Work*

**Yilly Vanessa Pacheco**, University of Göttingen  
*Enhancing Forest Protection in FTAs by Ensuring Compliance with Multilateral Environmental Agreements*

**Charlotte Sieber-Gasser**, Geneva Graduate Institute

*Capacity Building Through Trade and Guidance to Address Unwanted Negative Effects of Trade Liberalisation*

**Julia Sochacka & Agnieszka Starczewska**, University of Warsaw  
*Claiming the Negotiation Power: Local Provisions as a Heated Discussion in North-South BITs*

**Marios Tokas**, Geneva Graduate Institute  
*Negotiating Sustainable Development Remedies in EU FTAs*

### Panel 27: Reorienting International Economic Law for the Digital Economy: From Addressing the Digital Divide to Enabling Digital Development?

 Room TBC

Moderator: **Kholofelo Kugler**, Besso

**Pinar Artiran**, Istanbul Bilgi University  
*How to Reconcile Localisation/Local Content Requirements and National Treatment Principle*

**Karishma Banga**, KCL & **Franziska Sucker**, University of the Witwatersrand  
*Africa's Approach to Digital Trade Regulation and Addressing the Digital Divide*

**Raymond Gao**, Macau University of Science and Technology  
*China's Approach to Digital Trade Regulation and Its Policy Implications for Developing Countries*

**Neha Mishra**, Geneva Graduate Institute  
*How Digital Trade Law Addressed Digital Divide and Development*

**Fabio Morosini**, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul  
*Can Digital Trade Agreements be Retooled to Enable Digital Development in Latin America?*

**Rodrigo Polanco**, WTI  
*International Investment Law: a Constraint, an Enabler, or Irrelevant to Overcome the Digital Divide?*

## Panel 28: The Power and Limits of Sanctions: Legal Responses to Global Economic and Security Threats

 Room TBC

*Moderator:* **Naoko Takasaki**, Anderson Mori & Tomotsune

**Iryna Bogdanova**, University of Luxembourg

*War and International Investment Law: Possible Breaches and Possible Defences for Economic Sanctions Against Russia*

**Viktoriia Lapa**, Bocconi University

*Reassessing the West's Misperception of Russia: Addressing the Security Threats of Russian Trade Policy*

**Alveena Shah**, University of Pittsburgh School of Law & **Adam Feibelman**, Tulane University Law School

*Can States Freeze Foreign Central Reserve Assets Under International Monetary Law?*

## Panel 29: Plurilateralism: A New Form of International Economic Ordering?

 Room TBC

*Moderator:* **Elisa Baroncini**, University of Bologna

**Julien Chaisse**, City University of Hong Kong

*Plurilateralism and Plurilaterals as New Form of International Economic Ordering*

**Georgios Dimitropoulos**, HBKU College of Law

*Digital Plurilateralism in International Economic Law*

**Joshua Paine**, University of Bristol

*Novel Forms of Investment-Related International Agreements: Moving beyond IIAs focused on Investment Protection and ISDS?*

**Maria Panezi**, University of New Brunswick

*Good Will Hunting at the WTO: Is Plurilateralism Supporting or Undermining Multilateral Trade Governance*

13:00 – 14:00

### Lunch Break

 VENUE

### Side event: Collaborating Between and With WTO Chairs

(co-organised with the WTO Chairs Programme)

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### Side event: Presentation of EDIT - Electronic Database of Investment Treaties

**Rodrigo Polanco**, Senior Researcher, WTI | Legal Adviser, Swiss Institute of Comparative Law

14:00 – 15:30



## Roundtable Discussion IV: The Future of International Economic Law and Technologies

*Moderator:* **María Vásquez Callo-Müller**, Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Lucerne

**Fola Adeleke**, Executive Director, Global Center on AI Governance

**Shin-Yi Peng**, Distinguished Professor of Law, National Tsing Hua University

**Markus Wagner**, Professor, University of Wollongong

15:30 – 16:00

Break

16:00 – 17:30



## A Conversation about International Economic Law in a Changing World: Lessons from the Past to the Benefit of the Future

**Ambassador Chang-Fa Lo**, Permanent Representative of Taiwan to the WTO, Lifetime Distinguished Professor, NTU

**Thomas Cottier**, Professor Emeritus of European and International Economic Law, University of Bern

**Gabrielle Marceau**, Honorary Professor, University of Geneva

17:30 – 18:00

## Closing remarks

**Yueh-Ping (Alex) Yang**, NTU, Director of the Asian Center for WTO & International Health Law and Policy

**Isabelle Van Damme** and **Olabisi D. Akinkugbe**, SIEL Executive Vice-Presidents

19:00 – 22:00

Conference Dinner



The Garden Taipei (No. 2, Xuzhou Road, Zhongzheng District, Taipei)  
*Transport will be provided*

## Side Event: Collaborating Between and With WTO Chairs | 11 July, Lunch Break

### Participants

Pinar Artiran	Istanbul Bilgi University
Amrita Bahri	Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México
Peter Van Den Bossche	Xi'an Jiaotong University
Tsai-Fang Chen	National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University School of Law
Henry Gao	SMU
James J Nedumpara	Centre for International Trade and Investment Law
Vu Kim Ngan	Foreign Trade University
Victor Saco	Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Peru
Gerald Solano Aguilar	Universidad Nacional de Costa Rica
Tu Xinquan	University of International Business and Economics
Mark Wu	Harvard Law School
Yueh-Ping (Alex) Yang	National Taiwan University



## SIEL 2025 Poster Presentations

<b>Senai W. Andemariam</b> , College of Business and Social Sciences, Ertir	Ensuring Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development in African BITs, particularly China-Africa BITs
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