TRADE LAW

TRADE LAW AND GEOECONOMICS

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Information Note

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ITC International Training Centre

In a rapidly evolving global economy, marked by uncertainty and complex interconnections between trade and policy, understanding how legal frameworks respond to geoeconomic dynamics has become increasingly important. The training course Trade Law and Geoeconomics offers participants an in-depth legal perspective on how trade instruments and policies contribute to shaping global economic relations.

Through expert-led lectures and case studies, the course examines how international trade law operates within the broader framework of global economic governance. Participants will explore the legal and regulatory foundations of subsidies, State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs), investment law, taxation of trade and geoeconomics, and WTO dispute settlement.

Delivered in an engaging and collaborative environment, the course convenes international experts, policymakers, and practitioners to reflect on the evolving balance between economic competition, public policy objectives, and the rule of law. By the end of the programme, participants will have enhanced their legal understanding and strategic insight into how trade law shapes, and is shaped by, global economic transformations.

WHO ATTENDS THIS COURSE?

THIS COURSE IS DESIGNED FOR:

- Legal professionals, consultants, practitioners, and managers with substantial experience in international trade law.
- Senior officials with significant experience in the public or private sectors, United Nations agencies, foundations, or NGOs.
- Specialists working in corporate legal departments, governmental bodies, international organisations, or academic and research institutions who wish to deepen their expertise in international trade law.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

THE TRAINING COURSE AIMS TO:

- Provide a comprehensive legal understanding of geoeconomics and its growing influence on global trade.
- Examine the rules and policy implications of subsidies in international trade.
- Analyse the structure, role, and regulation of State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs) in the global market.
- Explore the connections between investment law, taxation, and geoeconomic strategies.
- Discuss the role of the WTO dispute settlement system in addressing challenges arising from the intersection of trade and policy.

KEY FEATURES

MODERN METHODS

Learn by doing, through case studies, workshops, and group exercises

INSPIRING DISCUSSIONS

Exchange ideas with international students and faculty

HIGH-LEVEL RESOURCES

Teaching and guidance from leading scholars, trade experts, lawyers, legal counsels, officers

METHODOLOGY

This is an intensive, one-week course requiring full participation and active engagement. Classes are held from Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, at the ITCILO Campus in Turin. Participants will benefit from the guidance and expertise of dedicated coordinators and tutors.

HOW TO APPLY AND CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Applications must be submitted online via https://oarf2.itcilo.org/STF/A9018994/en by **21 February 2026**.

The participation fee, excluding international travel costs, is **EUR 2,595**, payable in advance by the participant or their sponsoring organisation. This fee covers tuition, access to the eCampus platform, use of training facilities and support services, course materials, accommodation and full board at the Centre's Campus, and emergency medical insurance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Language:** The course will be conducted in English.
- **Certificate:** Participants will receive an ITCILO Certificate of Participation upon successful completion.
- **Contact:** For further information, please contact tradelaw@itcilo.org.

Join this comprehensive learning opportunity to broaden your understanding of international trade law, with a particular focus on the legal aspects of geoeconomics, subsidies, State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs), investment law, taxation, and WTO dispute settlement. Benefit from the insights of international experts, enhance your analytical perspective, and connect with professionals from around the world engaged in shaping the evolving landscape of global trade governance.

CAMPUS LIFE

A THRIVING UNITED NATIONS CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY OF PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE WORLD

- **Three organizations** from the United Nations system on campus
- **More than 300 training courses** and activities in a stimulating international environment
- **Thousands of participants** from all over the world

ENVIRONMENT AND SURROUNDINGS

Grab a campus bicycle and explore the Turin Centre. Located in a leafy park on the banks of the Po River, it's a great place for study and collaboration. Experience innovative learning and training methods in modern classrooms equipped with simultaneous translation services.

HOUSING, DINING, AND MORE

Comprising more than 280 private dormitories, the **Turin Campus provides a broad range of services for course participants and partners** including a free-flow restaurant, travel agency, laundromat, post office, gym, medical services and a reception desk open 24/7.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND DIVERSITY

Participants can enjoy social events organized by the Turin Centre as well as by their course facilitators. Whether on or off campus, people from different cultural backgrounds have the opportunity to listen to live music together, cook and share traditional foods, or team up to play games and network.

WITHDRAWAL, CANCELLATION POLICY, AND REFUNDS FOR OPEN COURSES

If an enrolled participant wishes or must withdraw from a course, they may choose to apply to a different course or be substituted by another candidate. The participant must notify the Centre, in writing, of their decision at least 14 days prior to the start date of the course. Cancellation of participation in regular courses will result in the following penalties:

- 14 days or more prior to the start date of the course: No penalty, 100% refund of amount paid less applicable bank charges
- 8 to 13 days prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 50% of course price, refund of residual amount paid (if any) less applicable bank charges
- 7 days or less prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 100% of course price.

INFO

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