

China Policy Dialogue on Global Economic Governance & Trade

A dialogue organized by International Cooperation Department of Development Research Centre of the State Council (DRC) and The International Center for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD)

In collaboration with Oxford University's Global Economic Governance Programme; and The Graduate Institute for International Studies in Geneva

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Tentative agenda (in consultation with DRC)

* to be confirmed

- 8:30-9:00am** **Registration**
- 9:00-9:20am** **Opening remarks**
Jiange LI, Vice President, DRC
Ricardo MELENDEZ-ORTIZ, Chief Executive, ICTSD
- 9:20 – 9:40am** **Keynote Address: “Reforming Trade Governance: Key Issues for China”**
Xiangchen ZHANG, DG for WTO Affairs, MOFCOM
- 9:40 – 11.00** **Session 1: Trends and perceptions of global trade governance: Implications for China**
Governing the resolution of disputes: China's participation in the WTO dispute settlement system and priorities for reform
Mitsuo MATSUSHITA, Professor Emeritus, University of Tokyo; former member, WTO Appellate Body
- China in the Trade governance and sustainable development debate
*Laurence TUBIANA, Director, Institute of Sustainable Development and International Relations, France
- Core challenges in global trade governance from a development-perspective: the evolution of debate on WTO reform and key issues for China
Carolyn DEERE, Director, Global Trade Governance Project, Global Economic Governance Programme, University of Oxford
- Discussants:
Jiyao BI, DDG, Institute for International Economy, National Development Reform Commission
- Matthew McCONKEY, Partner, DLA Piper UK LLP, Beijing
- Open Discussion
- 11:00 - 11:15** **Coffee break**
- 11:15 – 12.30** **Session 2: Post-Doha challenges for global trade governance**
Governing the relationship between the WTO and other international regimes: Considerations for China on climate change and trade
Matthew STILWELL, Visiting Fellow, University of Geneva, Graduate Institute of International Studies; Managing Director, Institute for Governance and Sustainable Development (IGSD)
- Governing the implementation of existing WTO rules: Challenges for trade governance in the area of intellectual property and the role of China
Ping ZHANG, Professor for international law & IP, Peking University

Discussants:

Shuaihua CHENG, Programme Officer, Strategic Analysis and China, ICTSD

a Chinese speaker tbc

Open Discussion

12:30 - 13:30

lunch

13:30 – 14:45

Session 3: China and the WTO in retrospective

Lessons from WTO system in past decade and China's role in the last six years: What are the implications of the rise in China for WTO governance and reform?
Jiahuang WU, Vice Chairman, China WTO Research Society

How should China prepare for debates on trade governance in the post-Doha WTO? What are the priority areas for engagement? How would these help advance sustainable development?

Guangxi LIU, DG for Comprehensive Affairs, SAFE and former Chinese negotiator

Discussants:

Yongming FAN, Associate President, Shanghai WTO Affairs Consultation Centre

Open Discussion

14:45 - 15:00

Coffee break

15:00 – 16:30

Session 4: A harmonious world and a stronger China: What kind of multilateral trade system would advance these goals?

What does China need from the WTO system in order to advance its vision of sustainable development and a harmonious society?

Guoqiang CHENG, DDG, Market Economy, DRC

What kind of global trade governance would advance a harmonious world and sustainable development?

Guoqiang LONG, DDG, International Economy, DRC

Discussants:

*Mark HALLE, Director for Trade and Investment, IISD

Simon EVENETT, Professor of International Trade, University of St. Gallen; Director, Swiss Institute for International Economics and Applied Economic Research (SIAW-HSG)

Open Discussion

16:30-17:00

Roundtable Discussion and concluding the meeting