

International Economic Law Interest Group

The EU & International Economic Law: Some Recent Developments

at the occasion of the SIEL 2014 Bern Global Conference, World Trade Institute, University of Bern, 10 July 2014,

15-16hrs, A022 ground floor UniS

Panel Programme

The panel will first give an overview of the ESIL IEL IG scientific work, in particular of the Göttingen Conference on Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs), and provide a brief presentation of the IG future planned activities and projects. It will then move to a second, substantive, part, where a focus will be laid on the role currently played by the European Union within the international economic law framework of the WTO, PTAs, and foreign investments. The programme explores the EU as a litigator of WTO disputes and as a negotiator and policy maker and discusses the EU approach to Article XX GATT adjudication and investment protection.

Welcome & Chair

Marion Panizzon, University of Bern, ESIL IEL IG Co-Chair

Overview of Future Activities and Projects of the ESIL IEL IG

Elisa Baroncini, University of Bologna, ESIL IEL IG Co-Chair

Report of the ESIL IEL IG Göttingen Conference on PTAs

Charlotte Sieber-Gasser, World Trade Institute, University of Bern: 10'

The EU Approach to Article XX GATT Case-Law

Lothar Ehring, European Commission: 20'

Investment Protection in the EU-US Free Trade Agreement – the Public Consultation and Beyond

Frank Hoffmeister, European Commission, Cabinet of Karel De Gucht: 20'

Discussion

Thomas Cottier, World Trade Institute, University of Bern: 10'