Virtual Course: International Trade Law

Speaker Biographies (session order)

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Before joining the Appellate Body Secretariat in 2007, he worked as a private lawyer in Brussels for the law firm Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen and Hamilton (2001-2004), focusing mainly on EU trade law, EU competition law and Italian law; and as Legal Officer and Counsellor for the Trade in Services Division of the WTO (1996-2001 and 2004-2007), where he serviced the post-Uruguay Round negotiations on basic telecommunications, financial services, professional services and services domestic regulation.

He has taught postgraduate courses in WTO law at the LUISS University in Rome, at the University of Barcelona (IELPO), at the University of Bern (WTI) and at the University of Zurich. He currently teaches a postgraduate course on WTO law at Lyon Catholic University (UCLY).

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