

Trade, Law and Development: Call for Submissions

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Special Issue

“Sustainability and Inclusivity: Evolving Paradigms of the Global Economy”

Founded in 2009, the philosophy of Trade, Law and Development (TL&D) has been to generate and sustain a constructive and democratic debate on emergent issues in international economic law and to serve as a forum for the discussion and distribution of ideas. Towards these ends, the Journal has published works by noted scholars such as the WTO DDG Yonov F. Agah, Dr. (Prof.) Ernst Ulrich Petersmann, Prof. Steve Charnovitz, Prof. Petros Mavroidis, Prof. Mitsuo Matsuhita, Prof. Raj Bhala, Prof. Joel Trachtman, Dr. (Prof.) Gabrielle Marceau, Prof. Simon Lester, Prof. Bryan Mercurio, and Prof. M. Sornarajah among others. TL&D also has the distinction of being ranked the best journal in India across all fields of law for several years by Washington and Lee University, School of Law.

Pursuant to this philosophy, the Board of Editors of TL&D is pleased to announce **“Sustainability and Inclusivity: Evolving Paradigms of the Global Economy”** as the theme for its next Special Issue.

It is indisputably true that sustainability which comprises the three interdependent pillars of “*economic growth, social equity, and environmental protection*”, is increasingly gaining traction among governments, businesses, research organisations, scholars and the general populace. Discussions in international economic law, including those surrounding world trade, cross-border investment, and development, have abundantly focused on this. Economic benefits of trade ultimately decline while the social and environmental costs rise

to unbearable levels, if sustainable trade rules are not in place. Whereas, a more sustainable trade strategy would recognise the need for a more varied export mix, invest in technology, and have minimal trade barriers while balancing long-term resilience with short-term ambitions. Since TL&D's objective is to provide a forum of exchange of ideas and constructive debate on legal and policy issues, the above-mentioned factors arguably constitute some of the biggest issues for international economic law discourse this year.

While the theme is broad enough to cover a wide range of issues, an indicative list of specific areas is as follows:

- Trade Rules and Environmental Interactions
- Environmental Protection Clauses in International Investment Agreements
- Trade and Human Rights
- Promoting Entrepreneurship/ Trade Facilitation
- Trade and Gender Justice
- Transparency and Good Governance Obligations
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Sustainable Fisheries
- Indigenous Peoples Interaction with International Trade and Investment
- Sustainable Development Goals

These sub-issues are not exhaustive, and the Journal is open to receiving submissions on all aspects related to sustainability and inclusivity in the global economy.

Accordingly, the Board of Editors of TL&D is pleased to invite original, unpublished manuscripts for publication in the Special Issue of the Journal in the form of 'Articles', 'Notes', 'Comments' and 'Book Reviews', focusing on the theme of *"Sustainability and Inclusivity: Evolving Paradigms of the Global Economy"*.

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