



INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW SYMPOSIUM
4 – 5 May 2007
Program

Friday 4 May 2007

8:30 am ***Registration***

9:00 am **Welcome**

Ian Govey, Deputy Secretary, Civil Justice and Legal Services Group, Attorney-General's Department [and TBC]

Session 1 **Review of developments in international trade law and status report on Free Trade Agreements**
9:15 – 10:00

Chair: Ian Govey, Deputy Secretary, Attorney-General's Department

Speakers: Stephen Bouwhuis, Assistant Secretary, Office of International Law, Attorney-General's Department

Cathy Raper, Director, FTA Commitments and Implementation Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Session 2 **The WTO Doha negotiations - what's on, what's not and what's the deal with agriculture?**
10:00 - 11:00

Chair: Andrew Percival, Special Counsel, Corrs, Chambers, Westgarth

Speakers: Tim Yeend, Special Negotiator Agriculture, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Scott Mitchell, Manager, Trade Policy, National Farmers' Federation

11:00 - 11:30 ***Morning Tea***

Session 3 **The intersection of the WTO and other international legal regimes - fragmentation or synthesis?**
11:30 - 12:30

Chair: Professor Mary Hiscock, Bond University

Speakers: Professor Jeff Waincymer, Monash University
Paul Schofield, Trade Law Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

12:30 - 13:30 ***Lunch***

13:30 – 13:45 **Special address by the Attorney-General, The Hon Philip Ruddock, MP**

Session 4 **Facilitating foreign investment through FTAs and Bilateral Investment Treaties – developments in the promotion and protection of foreign investment**
13:45 - 14:45

Chair: Stephen Bouwhuis, Attorney-General's Department

Speakers: Joshua Meltzer, Executive Officer, Office of Trade Negotiations, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Jürgen Kurtz, Senior Lecturer, University of Melbourne

Session 5
14:45 - 15:45 **Securing compliance with international trade law obligations – Dispute settlement under the WTO and FTAs – harmony or conflict?**

Chair: Simon Farbenbloom, Assistant Secretary, FTA Legal Counsel, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Speakers: Mark Jennings, Senior Counsel, Attorney-General's Department

Daniel Moulis, Partner, Moulis Legal

Dr Tania Voon, Senior Lecturer, University of Melbourne

15:45 - 16:15 ***Afternoon Tea***

Session 6
16:15 - 17:30 **Competition law and the liberalisation of international trade in goods and services – Does competition law have a role in FTAs or the WTO?**

Chair: Iain Sandford, Deputy Director, International Trade Group, Minter Ellison

Speakers: Nick Heys, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Martyn Taylor, Mallesons Stephen Jaques

17:30 ***Close of Day 1***

Saturday 5 May 2007

Session 7
9:00 - 10:30 **Liberalising trade in legal and other services – eliminating barriers to trade**

Chair: Jane Drake-Brockman, Executive Director, Australian Services Roundtable

Speakers: Iain Anderson, First Assistant Secretary, Classification, Legal Services and Native Title Division, Attorney-General's Department

Edward Sulikowski, Director, Services Negotiations, Office of Trade Negotiations, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

10:30 - 11:00 ***Morning Tea***

Session 8
11:00 - 12:30 **Intellectual property or intellectual monopoly? Does enhanced intellectual property protection in TRIPS and FTAs promote or inhibit international trade and economic development?**

Chair: Bryan Mercurio, Senior Lecturer, University of New South Wales

Speakers: Jonathan Kenna, Director, Asia Trade Task Force, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Professor Katrin Cutbush-Sabine

12:30 ***Close***