

The Re-Globe Yearly Agenda - 2022

The **Re-Globe Project** presents and analyses International Economic Law in the light of the ground-breaking approach to the governance of the global economy which has traditionally distinguished the development of the EU trade policy, and it compares the EU approach with that of the other main international actors. In particular, attention is constantly devoted to the realization of the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** of the **UN 2030 Agenda**, as the European Commission, in its 2021 Communication for “**An Open, Sustainable and Assertive Trade Policy**”, rightly stated that the achievement of SDGs inevitably necessitates the reform of the global economy governance according to sustainability patterns.

For each year, the Re-Globe Project proposes a **Re-Globe agenda of activities**, which will consider the many highly sensitive **challenges currently characterizing the global economy**, increasingly becoming a major field of interest of geopolitics.

In the year 2022, a **Teaching Course of 48 hours** will be proposed (21 February – 13 April 2022). Divided in three parts, the Re-Globe Course will first introduce the concepts of **International Economic Law** and **EU Trade Policy**, and how the EU interacts in international fora promoting the **principle of sustainable development**. The first scientific block will then consider how the EU participates to the **WTO system**, promoting its reform process, and thus the **international rule of law** with a renovated dispute settlement mechanism, the greening of the WTO; better multilateral rules for trade remedies, in particular for WTO anti-subsidy rules; the trade & health initiative; new plurilateral agreements on e-commerce, services, investments; **transparency and democratic participation to the WTO activities**. The second scientific block will be devoted to the presentation of the highly innovative **new generation of EU FTAs**. It will be considered the set of wide and very innovative FTAs substantive principles, with the ad hoc chapters devoted to trade and sustainable development, and the very advanced chapters on **investment protection and promotion**. Therefore, the institutional structure characterizing the EU FTAs will be proposed, with a specific focus on the bilateral dispute settlement mechanisms, and their variety according to the objective and the actors of the dispute, i.e. trade or investment; State-to-State dispute or Investor-State Dispute. The panel reports already issued in the **EU/Ukraine wood export ban case**, and in the **EU/South Korea core labour standards case** will be fully analysed, together with the new reports in the meanwhile produced within the EU FTAs. The third scientific block will be devoted to the EU institutional structure for developing the EU trade policies, considering how international agreements are concluded by the EU, and **the role played by the EU institutions in the shaping of the EU trade policy**. Particular attention will be devoted to the **principle of transparency** and **democratic participation**, considering the tools developed by the European Commission, like the Single Entry Point set up by the Chief

Trade Enforcement Officer, the Dialogue with Civil Society, the mechanism of Public Consultations; and the scrutiny of the EU trade policy and tools by the **European Parliament**, with a particular focus on the **INTA Committee**.

In 2022, five seminars will be organized, distributed as follows. In April 2022, a six hours seminar, held by Prof. Alessandra Castellini on “**The New EU Trade Policy Strategy for Agricultural Production: Sustainability and Protection of Origin**“; in May 2022, a two hour seminar, coordinated by Prof. Elisa Baroncini, with guests (EU and International officials and/or invited academics) on **economic sanctions and international Economic Law**, considering the approach of the EU to this sensitive topic; in October 2022, a three hours seminar held by Senior PhD Researcher Ludovica Mulas on “**The Financial Services Regime in International Economic Law: the EU Approach to the Relation between Trade Liberalization and Prudential Measures**”, involving also PhD candidates in International Economic Law; in November 2022, a two hour seminar, coordinated by Prof. Elisa Baroncini, with guests (EU and International officials and/or invited academics), on “**The Approach of the European Commission to Transparency and the Participation of Civil Society to Shaping and Implementing EU Trade Policy**”; in November 2022, a three hours seminar held by PhD Researcher Isola Clara Macchia on “**The EU and the International Rule of Law in Global Trade: The New Generation of FTAs and Their Enforcement Mechanisms**” involving also PhD candidates in International Economic Law.



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