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## First Trade Law Colloquium:

### *THE FUTURE OF THE WTO: DOHA AND BEYOND*

28 October 2011, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

#### **Panel:**

- **Prof. Andrew Mitchell**, Associate Professor of Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne
- **Prof. Jesús Seade**, Vice-President of Lingnan University, Chair of Economics and APEC Centre Director
- **Mr. Stefan Amarasinha**, Head of Trade and Economic Section, European Union Office to Hong Kong and Macao
- **Prof. Bryan Mercurio**, Professor and Associate Dean (Research) of the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

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This colloquium brings together experienced trade officials and academics to discuss the future of the World Trade Organization (WTO). With the Doha Round of trade negotiations on life support after ten years the time is ripe to consider why the Doha Round has not yet concluded, whether it will ever be concluded (and in what form) and what would happen to the WTO and international trade flows if the Doha Round fully dies.

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**Venue:** The Chinese University of Hong Kong Graduate Law Centre, 2/F Bank of America Tower, 12 Harcourt Road, Central, Hong Kong

*Admission is free of charge.*

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## About the Speaker

### Mr. Stefan Amarasinha



Stefan Amarasinha is currently Head of the Trade and Economic Section of the European Union Office to Hong Kong and Macau. Previously, while at DG TRADE from 2005-2010 he dealt with legal aspects of international trade and WTO dispute settlement (primarily subsidy-related matters and export restrictions) and legal and institutional aspects of free trade agreements. While at DG TRADE from 1999-2005 he was responsible for negotiations and meetings within the WTO, OECD, and UNCTAD on Trade and Competition, Trade-Related Investment Measures (TRIMS) and WTO institutional issues. He served as Trade co-chair of the OECD Joint Group on Trade and Competition from 2001-2005. Previously, Stefan was in international law practice with Clifford Chance (1998-99), with the Danish Foreign Service (1996-98) and the Danish Ministry of Interior (1993-95).

### Prof. Bryan Mercurio



Bryan Mercurio is a Professor of Law and Associate Dean (Research) at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Professor Mercurio is a specialist in international economic law, with particular expertise in the intersection between international trade and intellectual property law. Prior to relocating to Hong Kong, Professor Mercurio spent five years at The University of New South Wales, Faculty of Law, where he was the Director of the International Trade and Development Project at the Gilbert + Tobin Centre of Public Law. Professor Mercurio began his career working for the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and subsequently practiced international trade and intellectual property law in Australia.

### Prof. Andrew Mitchell



Andrew joined the faculty at Melbourne Law School in 2006. In 2007, following a nomination by the Australian government, the WTO's Dispute Settlement Body added him to the Indicative List of Governmental and Non-Governmental Panelists to hear WTO disputes. He has law degrees from Melbourne Law School, Harvard Law School and the University of Cambridge. His previous employers include the IMF, the OECD, Davis Polk & Wardwell and Allens Arthur Robinson. Andrew also consults for the private sector and governmental and non-governmental organisations including Telstra and the WHO. He has over 80 academic publications and has taught at law schools in Canada, the US and Australia.

### Professor Jesús Seade



Jesús Seade is the Vice-President of Lingnan University, Chair of Economics and APEC Centre Director. A leading contributor to economic theory and policy-making from a range of senior positions in international economic organizations, government, and academia, Dr. Seade has been Chair in Economics at Warwick University (UK); Mexico's GATT Ambassador and Uruguay Round Chief Negotiator; Deputy Director-General of the WTO as a founder and previously of GATT helping lead the Uruguay Round negotiations to successful conclusion (1993-98). He moved to the IMF (1998-2007) following the Asian financial meltdown and headed the internal policy and strategic review work on Brazil, Argentina and Turkey before becoming a Senior Advisor on fiscal management and head of the IMF's Task-force overseeing all work on Standards and Codes. He joined Lingnan University in January 2007 as Chair Professor of Economics and became Vice-President in September 2008, remaining active in both teaching and research leading a work program he created on International Financial Centres. Professor Seade is concurrently Distinguished Adjunct Professor at Shenzhen University (PRC), a member of HKSAR Government's advisory boards on Financial Management and on Trade and Industry, and Honorary Professor at Warwick and Leicester universities in the UK.

