

Course title	International and EU Trade Law				
Teacher(s)	TAMADA Dai			開講区分	単位数
				1st semester	2.0
Numbering Code		Day・Period	Other	Timetable Slot Code	1J330

Lesson topic

Since WW2 economic freedom and trade liberalization are major pillars for securing peace and security between nations. Opening markets fosters business ties between different members of global community and is believed to be a win-win game. Nevertheless, market liberalization is not an absolute goal and may interfere and/or needs to be harmonized with other legally protected values: human rights, environmental protection, labor rights, intellectual property, consumers' protection or cybersecurity are the representative examples. Understanding the aforementioned legal tensions is crucial for law school students wishing to work in international environment.

Lesson target

The course is aimed to introduce the main regimes and mechanisms of international trade law and their operation in practice. In relation to international trade students will learn about trade-related aspects of cybersecurity and European as well as international regulations and norms aimed at creating a comprehensive cybersecurity regime. Participants will be able to indicate and describe the basic concepts of international and EU environmental law and their relations with economic freedoms. The course is also aimed to introduce to the main legal instruments of consumer protection in European contract law and perspectives for European consumer law. By the end of this course, participants will be able to identify the relationship between the trade liberalization and the protection worker's rights at both national and international/European levels and understand the reasons why intellectual property is now an established part of the international trade regime, how national IP laws have been shaped by international standards, in particular by TRIPS, and how territorial IP rights can at the same time stimulate and hamper international exchange in goods and services.

Syllabus and plan

There will be a total of fifteen lectures covering the following topics.

- Historical introduction to trade liberalization.
- Multilateralism and regionalism in international trade law.
- Trade in goods and trade in services under international and EU legal systems.
- Cybersecurity challenges to international trade and the digital economy.
- International and European regulation of cybersecurity.
- Crucial ideas and rules of the international environmental law.
- Crucial ideas and rules of the EU environmental law.
- Relations between environmental law and economic freedoms.
- International IP framework with particular emphasis on TRIPS.
- Common principles underlying the major international IP instruments, such as minimum standards of protection, national treatment and most-favored nation clauses.
- Compliance with international obligations in domestic legal orders.
- Intellectual Property in the EU - harmonization and unification.
- International labor standards and their effectiveness.
- Social clauses in international trade agreements.
- Labor and social standards in the legal order of the European Union.
- Introduction to European contract and consumer law as the center of the development of European private law.
- New challenges of European Consumer Law.

The topics and schedule may be adjusted depending on our progress.

Evaluation method

Class participation 50%; an oral exam/discussion during last Q&A session (Friday, 24 May).

Evaluation baseline

With the method stated above, grades will be determined in accordance with the degrees of achievement of the objectives.

Notice (include info. on related class)

This course is provided by six lecturers from Jagiellonian University.

Review and preparation

The details will be announced at the first session.

Office hour · Contact information

Contact details will be announced during lectures.

Message for student

We look forward to students' active participation in class. Let's learn about international trade, environmental protection, consumers' rights, workers' rights, cybersecurity and intellectual property together.

Improvements in Teaching

Text

The detailed information will be notified to the students who have registered for the course.

Reference Material

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Classroom Language

Keywords

International Trade Law; Trade Liberalization; Cybersecurity, Climate change, Intellectual property, Consumer protection, Labor rights.