

Tárgytematika / Course Description

Introduction to WTO Law

NGM_NJ130_1

Tárgyfelelős neve /

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Félév / Semester: 2018/19/1

Beszámolási forma /

Assesment: Beszámoló (ötfokozatú)

Tárgy heti óraszám /

Teaching hours(week): 2/0/0

Tárgy féléves óraszám /

Teaching hours(sem.): 0/0/0

OKTATÁS CÉLJA / AIM OF THE COURSE

The main objective of the course is to provide a general insight into the legal background of the World Trade Organization, focusing not only on the WTO but analysing also its implications within the European Union as well as in Hungary. The course will improve the participants' skills by explaining how this legal matter and the main sources of this field of law are structured. The course relies upon an approach which emphasises a fusion between theoretical and pragmatic experience, consequently, the program will equip participants with the ability to understand the real function of the legal instruments of WTO and will offer a perspective to look behind the text of the WTO law as well.

TANTÁRGY TARTALMA / DESCRIPTION

- 1) From Havana Charter to Doha Round: Brief history of the world trade law
- 2) Fundamentals, development and reforms of the GATT. Establishing the WTO.
- 3) Institutional Framework of the World Trade Organization. The main Characteristics of the 'WTO Law'
- 4) The GATT: the legal construction of the global movement of goods
- 5) The GATS and its impacts on the global trade in services
- 6) The TRIPs and intellectual property rights within the WTO
- 7) Safeguard measures and other exceptions under the WTO law.
- 8) Plurilateral agreements of the WTO
- 9) Dispute settlement system of the WTO
- 10) The relationship between WTO and EU law. Direct effect and unsolved problems
- 11) Developing Countries and WTO
- 12) Social implications of the WTO law I.: The Environmental conflict in the WTO's legal framework
- 13) Social implications of the WTO law II. Trade and human rights in the light of the WTO law
- 14) Consultation

SZÁMONKÉRÉSI ÉS ÉRTÉKELÉSI RENDSZERE / ASSESSMENT'S METHOD

- Active participation in the course is required
 - Course closes with a written examination
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KÖTELEZŐ IRODALOM / OBLIGATORY MATERIAL

- Peter Van den Bossche; Werner Zdouc: The Law and Policy of the World Trade Organization. Cambridge University Press, 2017.
- Simon Lester, Bryan Mercurio, Arwel Davies: World Trade Law. Text, Materials and Commentary, Hart, Oxford, 2012.