

# Conference Program

## Symposium - Why have a WTO?

### Focussing on the Welfare Effects of the Law of the WTO

WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2004

8:15am – 8:30am	<b>REGISTRATIONS</b>
8:45am – 8:55am	<p><b>OPENING</b> <i>Andrew Stoler</i> <i>Executive Director, Institute for International Business, Economics and Law</i></p> <p><b>WELCOME</b> <i>Don Rothwell</i> <i>Director, Sydney Centre for International and Global Law</i></p>
8:55am – 10:35am	<p><b>ACCOMMODATING ‘NON-ECONOMIC’ OBJECTIVES IN WTO RULES</b></p> <p><i>Brett Williams</i> <i>Faculty of Law, University of Sydney</i> <b>TOPIC: Bhagwati’s Theory of Distortions and Welfare as the Backbone of the WTO</b></p> <p><i>Jan McDonald</i> <i>Faculty of Law, Griffith University</i> <b>TOPIC: Non-Economic Factors in the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade: Social and Environmental Policy, Harmonization, and Regulatory Sovereignty</b></p> <p><i>Donald MacLaren</i> <i>Department of Economics, University of Melbourne</i> <b>TOPIC: The Role of the WTO in Achieving Equity and Efficiency in International Markets for Agricultural Products</b></p> <p><b>DISCUSSION</b></p>
10:35am – 10:55am	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
10:55am – 12:35pm	<p><b>SPS, FOOD SAFETY AND GMOs</b></p> <p><i>Gordon Anderson</i> <i>Faculty of Law, Victoria University of Wellington</i> <b>TOPIC: The SPS Agreement: Maintaining a Balance Between Protection and Protectionism</b></p> <p><i>Kym Anderson &amp; Lee Ann Jackson</i> <i>Centre for International Economic Studies, University of Adelaide</i> <b>TOPIC: Comparison of the Welfare Effects of Different Regulatory Regimes for GMOs</b></p> <p><i>David Morgan</i> <i>On leave from Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i> <i>&amp; Gavin Goh</i> <i>WTO Law Adviser</i> <b>TOPIC: W(h)ither the Market for GM Products? An Analysis of the EU’s Labelling and Traceability Regulation</b></p> <p><b>DISCUSSION</b></p>

<b>12:35pm – 1:35pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>
<b>1:35pm – 3:15pm</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DIFFICULTIES IN THE PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTESTABILITY: COMPETITION LAW AND AIRLINE SERVICES</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Peter Lloyd</i> Economics Department, University of Melbourne <b>TOPIC: Investment and Competition: A New Architecture for the WTO?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Christopher Findlay</i> Australian National University <b>&amp; David Round</b> University of South Australia <b>TOPIC: The ‘Three Pillars of Stagnation’: The WTO and Air Transport Reform</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mark Williams</i> Hong Kong Polytechnic University <b>TOPIC: Potential WTO Competition Rules: Can Developing Countries Comply?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>DISCUSSION</b></p>
<b>3:15pm- 3:35pm</b>	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
<b>3:35pm – 5:15pm</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: TRADEMARKS, GIs AND PATENTS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Megan Richardson</i> Faculty of Law, University of Melbourne <b>TOPIC: Trademarks and Language: Some Welfare Aspects of Trademark Protection</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Leanne Stewart</i> Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation <b>&amp; Vicki Waye</b> Faculty of Law, University of Adelaide <b>TOPIC: The Regulation of Geographical Indications</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Adrian White</i> Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade <b>TOPIC: The Doha Declaration on Public Health – Demystifying IP</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>DISCUSSION</b></p>
<b>5:15pm – 5:30pm</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>REVIEW PANEL</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHAIR: Andrew Stoler</b> <b>COMMENTS FROM PANELLISTS: Kym Anderson, Brett Williams</b></p>
<b>5:30pm – 5:45pm</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CLOSING ADDRESS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Patrick Low</i> Director, Economic Research, World Trade Organization (Invited)</p>
<b>5:45pm-7:00pm</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>REFRESHMENTS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>National Wine Centre</b></p>