

COURSE DESCRIPTION

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| University: Comenius University in Bratislava | |
| Faculty: Faculty of Law | |
| Course ID: PraF.KMPMV/ ENm17-3128/17 | Course title: WTO Law and Practice |
| Educational activities: Type of activities: lecture / seminar Number of hours: per week: 1 / 2 per level/semester: 14 / 28 Form of the course: on-site learning | |
| Number of credits: 3 | |
| Recommended semester: 4. | |
| Educational level: II. | |
| Prerequisites: | |
| Course requirements: Coursework: 40 % (written homework assignments and presentation of a selected topic). Final examination: 60 % (oral examination – elaboration of a model case and a discussion about the case). Grading scale: A/1 = 91 – 100 %; B/1,5 = 81 – 90 %; C/2 = 73 – 80 %; D/2,5 = 66 – 72 %; E/3 = 61 – 65 %; FX = 0 – 60 %. During the exam, students can use all available sources of legal information, mainly legislation, commentaries, case-law, legal literature, and legal information systems. | |
| Learning outcomes: The student will gain basic orientation in the legal regulation and practice of the WTO. The aim is to clarify the key aspects of the multilateral trading system and the WTO dispute settlement system. The course provides an overview of the key concepts of international economic relations, the main principles of the multilateral trading system, such as non-discrimination, the gradual trade barriers removal, transparency, the limitation of unfair practices in international trade, as well as the support of developed countries, legal issues related to WTO trade policies including a system for resolving trade disputes between WTO members. The course deals with the theoretical and practical aspects of WTO law, in particular through the analysis of key trade disputes addressed within the WTO Dispute Settlement System. | |
| Class syllabus: 1. International Division of Labor, the Structure of the World Economy 2. International Trade, International Capital Movement 3. State foreign trade policy (key principles, methods, tools) 4. International Economic Integration I (EU, NAFTA) 5. International Economic Integration II (MERCOSUR, ASEAN, CETA...) 6. WTO – history, tasks, membership, organizational structure 7. Source of WTO law, WTO in the context of International law 8. WTO dispute settlement system - principles, authorities, procedure, challenges 9. Principles and rules of the Multilateral Trading System 10. Principles of non-discrimination | |

- 11. Market Access Rules
- 12. Trade liberalization and other social values
- 13. Rules against unfair International Trade Practices
- 14. Rules for the Harmonization of National Legislation

Recommended literature:

VAN DER BOSSCHE, P. 2008. The Law and Policy of the World Trade Organization. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2008. ISBN 978-0-521-72759-4.

Languages necessary to complete the course:

English

Notes:

Past grade distribution

Total number of evaluated students: 0

| A | ABS | B | C | D | E | FX |
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Lecturers:

Last change: 12.11.2018

Approved by: