



# TWO-DAY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

## On Legal Dimensions of Agricultural Subsidies in the WTO System

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### THEMES

#### DAY 1: FOUNDATIONS OF AGRICULTURAL TRADE & WTO LAW

- Legal Architecture, Global Frameworks, and Multilateral Principles
- Evolution of Global Agricultural Trade: Historical and Legal Perspectives
- WTO Agreement on Agriculture (AoA): Structure, Objectives, and Challenges
- Domestic Support Measures: Amber, Blue, and Green Box Subsidies
- Market Access, Tariff Reduction Commitments, and Non-Tariff Barriers
- Export Competition and the Elimination of Export Subsidies
- WTO Dispute Settlement Jurisprudence on Agricultural Subsidies
- Balancing Agricultural Protectionism with Trade Liberalization
- Food Security Obligations and Their Interpretation Under WTO Law
- Equity, Fairness, and Asymmetries in the Global Trading System
- Reforming the WTO Agreement on Agriculture: Pathways and Prospects
- Role of Regional Trade Agreements (RTAs) in Shaping Agricultural Subsidy Rules
- Public Stockholding (PSH), Minimum Support Price (MSP) Systems, and WTO Constraints

#### DAY 2: COMPARATIVE AND REGIONAL DIMENSIONS OF AGRICULTURAL POLICY

- Developing vs. Developed Countries: Divergent Needs and Policy Capacities
- Agriculture and Climate Change: Legal Duties for Sustainable Support Programs
- Environmental Standards, Green Subsidies, and the Climate-Trade Interface
- Global South Perspectives: Developmental Vulnerabilities and Policy Space
- Agri-Tech, Innovation, and the Legal Status of Digital Agriculture Support
- Gender, Rural Livelihoods, and Social Equity Dimensions in Subsidy Design
- Negotiating a Balance Between Sustainability, Trade, and Development
- Climate-Smart Agriculture and the Evolution of Green Domestic Support
- Strengthening Global Food Systems: Law, Policy, and Governance
- Digital Trade, Data Governance, and Agriculture Supply Chains
- International Cooperation in Agricultural Research,
- Emerging Issues: Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanisms and Agri-Trade
- Trade Facilitation, SPS Measures, and Global Risk Management
- Building Inclusive, Resilient Agricultural Markets in the 21st Century

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Time: 10 AM to 6PM

Mode: Online