

Special Address on *International Economic Diplomacy in the Digital Era: Where Does Trade Fit?*

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The Department of Commerce, Government of India in association with the Centre for Trade and Investment Law (CTIL) is organising a special address on “*International Economic Diplomacy in the Digital Era: Where Does Trade Fit?*” by **Dr. Rohinton P. Medhora**, Distinguished Fellow at Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) and former President of CIGI, Toronto, Canada, on 20 February 2023, from 18:30 onwards in Room No. 31, Ground Floor, Vanijya Bhawan, 16 Akbar Road, New Delhi, India.

~About the Session~

The increasing indispensability of data is succinctly captured in the adage *data is the new oil*. As economies around the globe get digitised, it is imperative to understand the fundamentals of the digital economy and the effect it has on international trade. This includes the effect on cross-border and internal operations, the increase in global competition, the emergence of new formats and opportunities for businesses through digitization, and lacunae in global governance protocols on digital products and services. The session will cover the domestic and international dimensions of data governance, and e-commerce, including the Joint Initiative on E-commerce at the WTO, and digital era policies.

~Schedule~

TIME	PROGRAMME DETAILS
18:30 hrs-18:33 hrs	Welcome Remarks Prof. James J. Nedumpara , <i>Professor and Head,</i> <i>Centre for Trade and Investment Law</i>
18:33 hrs-18:40 hrs	Chair's Remarks Shri. Peeyush Kumar , Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India
18:40 hrs-19:20 hrs	International Economic Diplomacy in the Digital Era: Where Does Trade Fit? Dr. Rohinton P. Medhora , <i>Distinguished Fellow at Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) and former President of CIGI, Toronto, Canada</i>
19:20 hrs-19:30 hrs	Q & A Session
19:30 hrs-19:32 hrs	Vote of Thanks Ms. Neha Bansal , <i>Training Coordinator</i> <i>Centre for Trade and Investment Law</i>
High Tea	

**Participation through invitation only.*