

## Seminar on MC12 and WTO Reform

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WTO Chairs Program at UIBE

8:30-11:30 AM (Geneva time) and 3:30-6:30 PM (Beijing Time)

Nov.21, 2022

### Event Program

**in Geneva Time**

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83608595293>

#### Opening Remarks

8:30-8:35 AM Prof. Xinquan TU, WTO Chairholder and Dean, UIBE

#### Welcome Remarks

8:35-8:40 AM Prof. Junjie HONG, Vice President, UIBE

#### Keynote Speech

8:40-8:55 AM Mr. Xiangchen ZHANG, WTO Deputy Director General

#### Panel Speech

Moderator Associate Professor Dr. Maarten Smeets, Senior Advisor, WTO Chair at UIBE

8:55-9:05 AM H.E. Dacio de Castillo, Permanent Representative of Honduras to the WTO

*“Strengthening the negotiation function of the WTO and resisting protectionism”*

9:05-9:15 AM H.E. Santiago Wills, Director of WTO General Council

*“The fisheries subsidies agreement”*

9:15-9:25 AM Prof. Dr. Peter van den Bossche, Director of Studies, World Trade Institute, University of Bern

*“Re-establishing a well-functioning dispute settlement system”*

9:25-9:35 AM H.E. Manuel Teehankee, Permanent Representative of Philippines to the WTO

*“Enhancing and strengthening transparency provisions in the WTO”*

9:35-9:45 AM H.E. Hung Seng Tan, Permanent Representative of Singapore to the WTO

*“The Joint Statement Initiatives with special reference to e-commerce”*

9:45-10:00 AM Discussion

### **Coffee Break**

- Moderator** Prof. Xinquan TU, WTO Chairholder and Dean, UIBE
- 10:15-10:25 AM** Prof. Jingxia SHI, Law School, Renmin University of China  
*“Digital Trade”*
- 10:25-10:35 AM** Prof. Guohua YANG, Law School, Tsinghua University  
*“Dispute settlement”*
- 10:35-10:45 AM** Prof. Jianping ZHANG, Chinese Academy of International Trade and Economic Cooperation (CAITEC)  
*“WTO and environment”*
- 10:45-10:55 AM** Mr. Xiaodong HONG, China Society for WTO Studies  
*“Plurilaterals”*
- 10:55-11:10 AM** Discussion
- Concluding Remarks**
- 11:10-11:25 AM** Mr. Xiaozhun YI, Former DDG of WTO, Chief advisor of the Network for International Trade and Investment System (NITIS)

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