

Henry Gao

Henry Gao is as an Associate Professor of Law at the Singapore Management University (SMU), and a Dongfang Scholar Chair Professor at Shanghai Institute of Foreign Trade. He is also a member of the Editorial Board for the Journal of International Economic Law, an Advisory Board member for the WTO Chairs Programme, and a member of the E15 Initiative by the International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD).

Education

J.D., Vanderbilt, 2002

Certificate of Law and Business, Law School, Owen Graduate School of Management, Vanderbilt University, 2002

LL.M., University College London, 1999

Certificate in Law Teachers Program, University College London, 1999

LL.B. (summa cum laude), China Youth Politics Institute, 1998



Professional Experience

Professor Gao started his career as the first Chinese lawyer at the WTO Secretariat. Additionally, he has held visiting positions at several institutions including Stanford Law School, European University Institute, and the University of Geneva. Professor Gao's work has been featured in CNN, BBC, The Economist, Wall Street Journal and Financial Times. Professor Gao sits on the Advisory Board of the WTO Chairs Programme, which was established by the WTO Secretariat in 2009 to promote research and teaching on WTO issues in leading universities around the world.

Notable Projects & Contributions

Professor Gao has authored and co-authored several significant books and articles on international trade law. These include the book "Between Market Economy and State Capitalism: China's State-Owned Enterprises and the World Trading System" published by Cambridge University Press in 2022 and "Paradigm Shift in International Economic Law Rule-Making: TPP as a New Model for Trade Agreements?" (2017). He has also contributed to numerous journals and other publications on the topics of WTO reform, China's changing perspective on the WTO, and the potential ways out of the US-China trade war.

Publications

Professor Gao has a rich bibliography that consists of books and book chapters focusing on International Trade Law, Chinese Law, and the role of China in international economic law.

1. **"Between Market Economy and State Capitalism China's State-Owned Enterprises and the World Trading System" (2022):** Co-authored with Weihuan Zhou, this book published by Cambridge University Press examines the position of China's State-Owned Enterprises within the global trading system.
2. **"Paradigm Shift in International Economic Law Rule-Making: TPP as a New Model for Trade Agreements?" (2017):** This book, co-edited with Julien Chaisse and Chang-fa Lo, presents the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) as a potential new model for trade agreements.
3. **"Across the Great Wall: E-commerce Joint Statement Initiative Negotiation and China" (2021):** This book chapter, included in "Artificial Intelligence and International Economic Law," examines the negotiation of E-commerce joint statement initiatives involving China.

Robert Howse

Robert Howse is the Lloyd C. Nelson Professor of International Law at NYU School of Law. His teaching and research focus on international economic law (trade, investment, and finance) and legal and political philosophy.

He is a co-founder and co-convenor of the New York City Area Working Group on International Economic Law and serves on the American Bar Association Working Group on Investment Treaties.

Education

LLM, Harvard Law School, 1990

LLB, University of Toronto Faculty of Law, with honors, 1989

BA (Philosophy and Political Science), University of Toronto, with honors and with distinction, 1982



Professional Experience

Professor Howse has been a visiting professor at institutions like Harvard Law School, Tel Aviv University, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the University of Paris 1 (Pantheon-Sorbonne), and Osgoode Hall. As a legal consultant, Professor Howse has advised numerous organizations, including the OECD, the World Bank, UNCTAD, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Before entering the legal field, professor Howse worked for the Canadian foreign ministry, including roles in the Policy Planning Secretariat and as a diplomat at the Canadian Embassy in Belgrade.

Publications

Recent publications:

- “Epilogue: In Defense of Disruptive Democracy: A Critique of Anti-Populism,” *International Journal of Constitutional Law* (2019);
- “International Investment Law and Arbitration: A Conceptual Framework”, in *International Law and Litigation: A Look at Procedure* (2019)

Notable publications:

- "The World Trade Organization: Law, Practice, and Policy" and "Leo Strauss: Man of Peace."
- His article with Ruti Teitel, "Beyond Compliance: Rethinking Why International Law Really Matters," was awarded the Global Policy Best Article Prize 2010.

Meredith Lilly

Meredith Lilly is an Associate Professor at the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs at Carleton University. Is also the Simon Reisman Chair in International Economic Policy at Carleton University, a position she has held since 2016 and renewed in 2021. She also serves as an Academic Advisor at the Centre for Trade Policy and Law at Carleton University.

Education

Postdoctoral Certificate: Department of Economics, McMaster University, 2011.

PhD: Dept. Health Policy, Management & Evaluation, University of Toronto, 2008.

Honours BA: International Development Studies, University of Toronto, 1998.



Professional Experience

Prior to her current role, Lilly served as a Policy Advisor in the Office of the Prime Minister of Canada (2012-2015) and as Director of Policy for Canada's Minister of State for Seniors (2011-2012). She was also a Banting Postdoctoral Fellow in the Department of Economics at McMaster University and a Research Associate at the Institute for Healthy Living and Chronic Disease Prevention at the University of British Columbia Okanagan. In addition, Professor Lilly has held multiple professional appointments. These include her current position as a member of the Deputy Minister of Trade's Advisory Council on International Trade at Global Affairs Canada and as an expert panelist for the Canadian Council of the Academies on a study advancing Canada's international science and technology partnerships, sponsored by Global Affairs Canada.

Publications

Lilly's recent publications include:

1. Lilly, MB, EM Walter*, D Balkissoon (2022). "Trade policy pain for marginal climate gain? The complex case for border carbon adjustments in Canada." *Canadian Tax Journal*. 70(1): 1-17.
2. Williams, H.* and Lilly, M.B. (2021), "Developing a novel index to evaluate labour chapters in trade agreements: Canada's ambition–enforceability compromise," *Journal of International Trade Law and Policy*, Vol. 20(2), pp. 65-82.

Other notable publications include "How Canada can help reform the World Trade Organization" and "Labour Mobility in a Free Trade Agreement: A Look at the Canada-EU Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)."

Joanna Langille

Joanna Langille is an Assistant Professor at the University of Western Ontario Faculty of Law and the Co-Director of Western's Legal Philosophy Research Group. She currently serves as the Vice-Chair of the International Economic Law Interest Group of the American Society of International Law (ASIL).



Education

Langille completed her doctorate at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law as a Trudeau Scholar and a SSHRC Bombardier Scholar. She received her JD from NYU Law where she studied as a Furman Scholar and an Institute for International Law and Justice Scholar. As a Commonwealth Scholar at Balliol College, Oxford, she obtained an MPhil in International Relations. Her honours undergraduate degree in Philosophy and Political Science (High Distinction) is from the University of Toronto.

Professional Experience

Prior to her current role at Western, Langille was a Furman Fellow and an Institute for International Law and Justice Fellow at NYU Law. She has been a Visiting Researcher at Yale Law School, the University of Groningen's Philosophy Department, and the University of Toronto's Munk School for Global Affairs. She has consulted for parties and authored amicus briefs in various trade disputes, and has worked with WTO and the International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development. Langille clerked at the Ontario Court of Appeal and is called to the bar in New York and Ontario.

Notable Projects & Contributions

Langille is the 2023 winner of Western University's Marilyn Robinson Award for Excellence in Teaching. Her scholarship has been recognized with awards and grants from the Canadian Foundation for Legal Research; the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC); the Canadian Council on International Law; the US Customs and International Trade Bar Association; the Europaem; NYU Law; the University of Oxford; the University of Toronto; and Western University.

Publications

Professor Langille is a renowned scholar with significant contributions to the fields of international trade and law. In 2023, she authored two significant articles:

1. **"Continuity and Change in the World Trade Organization: Pluralism Past, Present, and Future"**: This article addresses the institutional challenges and the future of the WTO. Langille asserts that the resilient pluralism within the WTO's legal framework, which upholds diversity in governance models and regulatory approaches, offers a response to the organization's critics and provides a mandate for its future.
2. **"Frontiers Of Legality: Understanding The Public Policy Exception In Choice Of Law"**: Langille examines the public policy exception in choice of law doctrine. She proposes reconceptualizing this exception as a tool for courts to analyze foreign law and ensure its compliance with the rule of law, providing a justification for the exception's inclusion in choice of law doctrine and a coherent interpretation of the doctrine.

Mona Paulsen

Mona Paulsen is an Assistant Professor at The London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) since 2020. She co-chairs a seminar series on International Economic Law & Policy and is on the editorial board for the World Trade Review.

Education

PhD in International Economic Law from The Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London (KCL)
LLM in International Law from The George Washington University School of Law.



Professional Experience

Before joining the LSE, Paulsen was a Teaching Fellow for the International Economic Law, Business, and Policy LL.M. Program at Stanford Law School. She was an Emile Noël Fellow at the Jean Monnet Center for International and Regional Economic Law & Justice, New York University. She has been a visiting lecturer in the law departments at the University of California (Davis) and King's College London. Paulsen was admitted to the bar in Ontario since 2007. She has been involved as both an advisor and legal researcher in several international investment treaty disputes and trade disputes arising from subsidisation.

Notable Projects & Contributions

Mona Paulsen is recognized for her contributions to the field of international trade law and policy. In her 2022 article "Let's Agree to Disagree: A Strategy for Trade-Security", she explores the intersection of trade and security policies within the framework of the World Trade Organization (WTO). Her forthcoming book with Oxford University Press delves into the concept-building of international investment law in the early twentieth century and illuminates the unsettled foundations around economic development, security, and corporate power that persist in tension today.

Associations

- Editorial Board, World Trade Review
- Co-Chair, International Economic Law & Policy Seminar Series
- Contributor, International Economic Law & Policy Blog
- Member, Society of International Economic Law
- Member, American Society of International Law
- Member, European Society of International Law
- Member, Canadian Council of International Law

Publications

Paulsen's work has been published in a variety of legal journals. Notable publications include "Trade Multilateralism and U.S. National Security: The Making of the GATT Security Exception" and "Investment Treaties, Investor-State Dispute Settlement and Inequality: How International Investment Treaties Exacerbate Domestic Disparities."

Ricardo Ramirez

Ricardo Ramirez is a Founding Partner of RRH Consultores S.C., a firm that provides legal advice in the field of international trade law. He is a Professor at the Faculty of Law of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) and serves as Chairman of the International Trade Professors Association of UNAM. Since September 2017, Ramirez has been serving on the Panel of Arbitrators of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) for a 6-year term, appointed by the Chairman of the Administrative Council of the World Bank.



Education

Ramirez holds a Law Degree from the Autonomous Metropolitan University of Mexico and an L.L.M on International Legal Studies by the American University.

Professional Experience

Ramirez was appointed as a Member of the Appellate Body of the World Trade Organization (WTO) in June 2009 and was reappointed by the WTO Members for a second four-year term starting in July 2013. He was elected as Chair for two consecutive terms: January – December 2013 and 2014. His term ended on June 30, 2017, but he continued to work on appeals assigned while a member.

From 2006 to 2009, Ramirez was head of the International Trade Practice for Latin America at Chadbourne & Parke, S.C., focusing on a full range of trade matters, including unfair trade practices, safeguards, trade facilitation and customs procedures, international standards, regulatory compliance, foreign investment, and antitrust matters. Before joining Chadbourne & Parke, he served as Deputy General Counsel for Trade Negotiations of the Ministry of Economy in Mexico, providing advice on trade and competition policy matters related to all trade agreements signed by Mexico for more than 11 years.

Notable Projects & Contributions

Ramirez is one of only two Mexicans to be included in the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators roster since 1974. As an arbitrator, he has worked on cases initiated under various trade agreements as well as on investment arbitration tribunals.

Publications

Ramirez's work has been widely published in law journals and book chapters. Notable publications include "International Arbitration in Latin America: The Path Forward" and "Reforming Investor-State Dispute Settlement: Views and Proposals from the Americas."