



SALZBURG GLOBAL SEMINAR

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Session 491

THE FUTURE OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM AND THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

Monday 21 – Wednesday 23 May 2012

PROGRAM

With the protracted negotiations on the Doha Trade Round stalled, what are the implications for the multilateral trading system and indeed the World Trade Organization (WTO) itself? Should the WTO and the ‘single undertaking’ be reformed? Is protectionism, and the number of preferential trading agreements and trade disputes increasing? Do outstanding issues have to be finalized before ‘new’ issues are addressed? What trade agenda can re-engage business in global negotiations, given many corporations can obviate trade barriers inter alia through their global supply chains? How can political support and leadership be generated? Can the WTO launch negotiations on new and Singapore issues such as investment without having concluded other negotiations?



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Monday 21 May 2012

- from 9:00 Participants Arrivals, Check-in and Registration
- 12:30 Buffet Lunch (Marble Hall)
- 15:00 **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION** (Parker Hall)
- Tatsiana Lintouskaya**
Program Director, Salzburg Global Seminar
- Nick Hopkinson**
Senior Fellow, Salzburg Global Seminar
- Jake Colvin**
Vice President, Global Trade Issues, National Foreign Trade Council,
Washington DC
- 15:30 **GENERATING POLITICAL SUPPORT AND LEADERSHIP** (Parker Hall)
- Peter Sutherland**
Chairman, Goldman Sachs International, London; former Director General,
World Trade Organization
- 17:00 Group Photo followed by Coffee and Tea (Meierhof Center)
- 17:30 **THE WAY FORWARD: REVIVAL? REFORM? RETREAT?** (Parker Hall)
- Rufus Yerxa**
Deputy Director General, World Trade Organization (WTO), Geneva
- 19:00 **TOUR OF SCHLOSS LEOPOLDSKRON**
The Historic 18th Century Home of the Salzburg Global Seminar
- 19:30 Reception (Terrace/Great Hall)
- 20:15 Dinner (Marble Hall)
- 21:15 Bierstube Bar Open



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Tuesday 22 May 2012

07:30 Breakfast (Marble Hall)

09:00 **WHAT DOES THE SHIFTING BALANCE IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY MEAN FOR WORLD TRADE?** (Parker Hall)

Christine Shields

Head, Country Risk Research, Standard Chartered Bank, London

10:15 Coffee and Tea (Meierhof Center)

10:45 **WHAT FUTURE FOR MULTILATERALISM, REGIONAL, AND BILATERAL AGREEMENTS?** (Parker Hall)

Angelos Pangratis

Ambassador, Permanent Mission of the EU to the WTO, Geneva

María Cristina Hernández-Zermeño

Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the WTO, Geneva

Ricardo Melendez-Ortiz

President, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development, Geneva

12:15 Lunch (Marble Hall)

13:45-15:15 **BREAKOUT GROUPS ON 'NEW' ISSUES AND TRENDS**
(Chinese Room, McGowan Room)

a. Towards a Transatlantic Economic and Trade Pact?

Peter Rashish

Vice President, Europe & Eurasia, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Washington

b. Prospects for trade facilitation, investment and competition rules

Simon Evenett

Professor of International Trade and Economic Development, University of St. Gallen

15:30 **IS DISPUTE SETTLEMENT BECOMING OVERLOADED?**
(Parker Hall)

James Bacchus

Chair of the Global Practice, Greenberg Traurig, Washington DC; Former Chair, Appellate Body, WTO and former US Congressman



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Tuesday 22 May 2012 (continued)

- 16:30 **FIVE MINUTE REPORTS FROM BREAKOUT GROUPS**
- 16:45 Coffee and Tea (Meierhof Center)
- 17:15 **TRADE, DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND ADVANCING AID
FOR TRADE** (Parker Hall)
- Rashid Kaukab**
 Associate Director and Research Coordinator, Consumer Unity & Trust
 Society (CUTS) International, Geneva
- 19:00 Dinner (Venetian Room)
- 20:30 Concert (Great Hall)
- 21:30 Bierstube Bar Open





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Wednesday 23 May 2012

07:30 Breakfast (Marble Hall)

09:00 **WHAT DOES BUSINESS WANT FROM GLOBAL TRADE
NEGOTIATIONS AND THE WTO?** (Parker Hall)

William C. Lane

Government Affairs Director, Caterpillar Inc., Washington DC

Nick Ashton-Hart

Geneva Representative, Computer & Communications Industry Association (CCIA)

10:15 Coffee and Tea (Meierhof Center)

10:45-12:15 **HOW DO WE BREAK THE DEADLOCK? THE WAY FORWARD**
(Parker Hall)

Jeffrey Schott

Senior Fellow, Peterson Institute for International Economics, Washington

Vera Thorstensen

Director, Global Trade and Investment Centre, Sao Paulo School of Economics; Getulio Vargas Foundation, Sao Paulo

12:15 Lunch (Marble Hall)

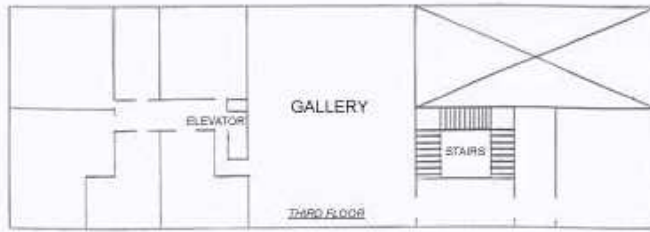
14:00 Free Time in Salzburg/Departures



Schloss (palace) and Meierhof Room Abbreviations and Maps



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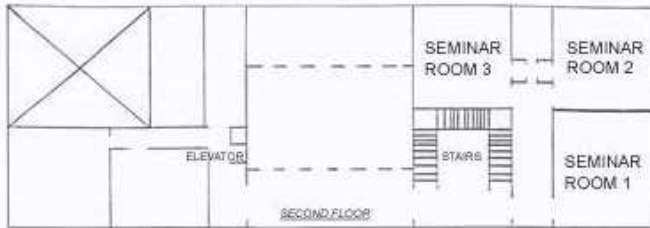
MH = Marble Hall

VR = Venetian Room

CR = Chinese Room (Library)

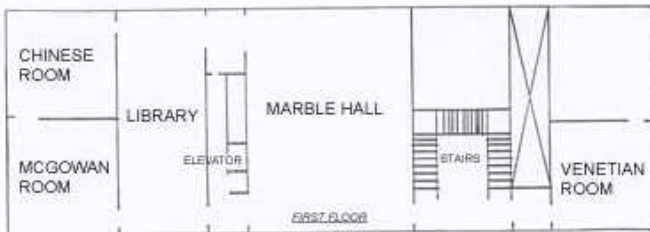
MGR – McGowan Room

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Ground Floor:

GH = Great Hall



LOCATIONS IN THE MEIERHOF

(Map below):

1st Floor:

PH = Parker Hall

Ground Floor:

MC = Meierhof Center

