This seminar discusses the role of the European Union in the international trade relations. In the light of multilateral trade liberalization efforts within the Doha Development Round and the spread of bilateral preferential trade agreements (PTAs), the EU has a crucial leadership in shaping international trade relations. Yet its own trade policy is driven by strong domestic interests and preferences, aggregated in a singular institutional framework.

The course is divided into four parts: After an introduction into the making of EU trade policy (actors, interests, instruments, institutional setting), the second section assesses the role of the EU in the World Trade Organization, giving empirical evidence on conflictual cases (agricultural subsidies, textiles, aircraft, etc.). The third section will concentrate on the social dimension of EU’s trade policy (social clause), especially in the field of environment, health security and labor. Finally, students will explore the trade relations of the EU with selected regions.

This seminar will be taught in English. A working paper can be delivered in German or English. For further requirements for credits, please consult the JMC-Website www.jmc-berlin.org >> Miscellaneous.
**Requirements for Participation**

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1. Regular and active participation in the course with max 2x absent,
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3. Presentation of the previous meeting in the class about 5 – 10 minutes

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   b. Thesis paper (1 page)
   c. Presentation of the thesis paper by the Lecturer one week before
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   a. Submit Paper on seminar topic in English or German,
   b. Max. 10 pages net without Title, Content and Reference

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Basic Readings


Course Outline

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Section B: European Trade Policy and Instruments
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6th Week (17/11) : AG 2: Case of EU Trade Conflict in Aircraft Products (with the US: Airbus and Boeing)
7th Week (24/11) : AG 3: Case of EU Trade in Textile (with China: Import Quotas)
8th Week (1/12) : AG 4: Case of EU Banana Dispute (with the US)

Section C: European Trade Policy and Social Clause
9th Week (8/12) : AG 5: EU Trade Policy related to Environment
10th Week (15/12) : AG 6: EU Trade Policy related to Health Security

Christmas Break

11th Week (5/1) : AG 7: EU Trade Policy related to Labor (Trade Union, Child Labor)

Section D: European Trade Relation with Third Countries
12th Week (12/1) : AG 8: EU – ACP (Africa, Caribbean & Pacific)
13th Week (19/1) : AG 9: EU – Latin America
14th Week (26/1) : AG 10: EU – ASEAN
15th Week (2/2) : AG 11: EU – Mediterranean
16th Week (9/2) : AG 12: EU – Russia - Course Summary and Evaluation
Seminar Outline and Readings

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There are two or three core readings each week. These are the bare minimum for participation in discussion – presenters will need to go beyond these readings, using also the material from other sources.

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Readings:
• WTO (1999): Special Issue, Trade and Environment, Geneva

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Readings:
• European Commission (2006): Access to Essential Medicines,

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• European Commission (2008): Trade and Social Conditions,

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• European Commission (2008): Revision of Cotonou Agreement 2005

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• Eurostat (2007): EU-27 Trade with ASEAN Countries 2006

15th Week (2/2) : AG 11: EU – Mediterranean
Readings:
• Aliboni, Roberto; Driss, Ahmed; Schumacher, Tobias & Tovias, Alfred (2008): Putting the Mediterranean Union in Perspective, EuroMesco Paper No.68, June
16th Week (9/2): AG 12: EU – Russia - Course Summary and Evaluation

Readings:

- Karaganov, Sergey; Bordachev, Timofei; Guseinov, Vagif; Lukyanov, Fyodor & Suslov, Dmitry (2005): Russia – EU Relations. The Present Situation and Prospects, CEPS Working Document No.225
- EU Commission (2005): Russia – Final Version of the Road Map on the Common economic space. Agreed at the EU-Russia Summit on 10 May 2003