



**Centre for Trade and Investment Law**

**TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME**  
**ON**  
**INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW, INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT LAW AND TREATY**  
**NEGOTIATION**

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The Centre for Trade and Investment Law (CTIL) together with the World Trade Institute (WTI), Bern organised a three-day training and capacity building programme from the 11<sup>th</sup> of June to 13<sup>th</sup> of June 2019 for the officials the Central Government, State Governments, various Ministries and Departments as well as Public Sector Undertakings at the Indian Institute of Foreign and Trade, New Delhi.

The inaugural session commenced with a welcome address delivered by Prof. James J Nedumpara, Head & Professor of CTIL. In his speech, Prof. Nedumpara drew attention to the shifting landscape of international trade and emphasised the need for stake holders to participate in ensuring compliance with WTO rules. Following the welcome address, Dr. Peter Van den Bossche, Director of Studies, WTI, introduced the participants to the structure and curriculum for the training programme over the course of three days. Giving a panoptic view of current multilateral trading system, Dr. Van den Bossche expounded on the existential crisis that the WTO is undergoing and its impact on various stakeholders. Thereafter, Dr. (Mrs.) Vijaya Katti, Dean Administration (Academics), Indian Institute of Foreign Trade delivered the Dean's Address. Dr. Katti stressed on the need for such training programmes to bolster capacity in international trade and investment law at different levels of the government in light of the number of trade and investment disputes involving India.