



ERSD Policy Lecture Series January 2018

31 January, 14.00 - 15.15
Room E, WTO Headquarters

SPEAKER: Professor Paola Conconi

TOPIC: *Do Rules of Origin hurt third countries?*

Rules of Origin are a common ingredient of Regional Trade Agreements but their effects on trade patterns are poorly understood. Professor Conconi will present unique and novel findings on this relationship. In particular, she will show how Rules of Origin affect imports of intermediate goods from third countries and discuss the potential implications of her findings with respect to the WTO agreements.

Paola Conconi is Professor of Economics at the Université Libre de Bruxelles and Visiting Professor at the London School of Economics and Political Science. She is also Director of the CEPR Research Network on Global Value Chains, Trade and Development. Her main research interests are in international trade, firm organization, and political economy. She holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Warwick and has published in several leading journals including the *Review of Economic Studies*, the *Journal of Political Economy*, and the *Journal of International Economics*.

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