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# Lunch Series on Investment Disputes

**NEXT EVENT: Monday, 2 July 2018 @ 12.30-13.45**

(with sandwiches served starting at 12.00)

**WHERE: University of Geneva, Uni Mail, 40 bd du Pont-d'Arve,  
Geneva, Room M4050**

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

Investor-state dispute settlement cases have significant public policy implications, including in the areas of health, environmental protection, economic development and taxation. This lunch series aims to examine the relationship between international investment law cases and sustainable development goals and policies. We invite international and national policy-makers, academics and students with different backgrounds to explore and discuss selected cases.

**MONDAY, 2 JULY 2018**

**PUBLIC HEALTH AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW: ALCOHOL LABELLING,  
OBESITY PREVENTION LAWS AND BEYOND**

This lunch discussion examines whether various government measures to protect public health may run counter to international trade and investment agreements. The discussion will first look at two labeling policies developed by Thailand. In 2010, Thailand introduced a watershed proposal to impose large graphic health warnings on alcoholic beverages and later prohibited the use of certain marketing images on alcoholic beverages. These and other public health policies and measures could be subject to potential challenges under international trade and investment agreements. What would be the legal bases for these challenges? What do these rules mean for governments' policy space? How will this impact the progress of achieving Sustainable Development Goals? Join Professor Andrew Mitchell and discussants to debate and discuss the impact of international economic law on public health.

**SPEAKER:** Andrew Mitchell is Professor at Melbourne Law School, Australian Research Council Future Fellow, Director of the Global Economic Law Network, a member of the Indicative List of Panelists to hear WTO disputes, and a member of the Energy Charter Roster of Panelists. He has previously practised law with Allens Arthur Robinson (now Allens Linklaters) and consults for States, international organisations and the private sector. Andrew has taught law in Australia, Canada, Singapore, and the US and is the recipient of four major grants from the Australian Research Council and the Australian National Preventive Health Agency. He has published over 130 academic books and journal articles and is a Series Editor of the Oxford University Press International Economic Law Series, an Editorial Board Member of the Journal of International Economic Law and a General Editor of the Journal of International Dispute Settlement. He has law degrees from Melbourne, Harvard and Cambridge and is a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria.

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