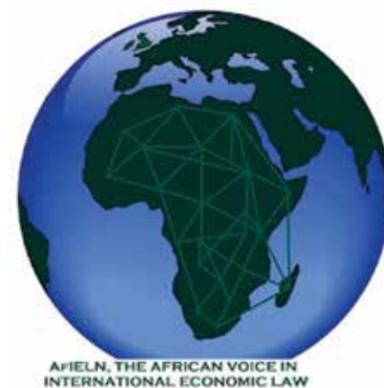
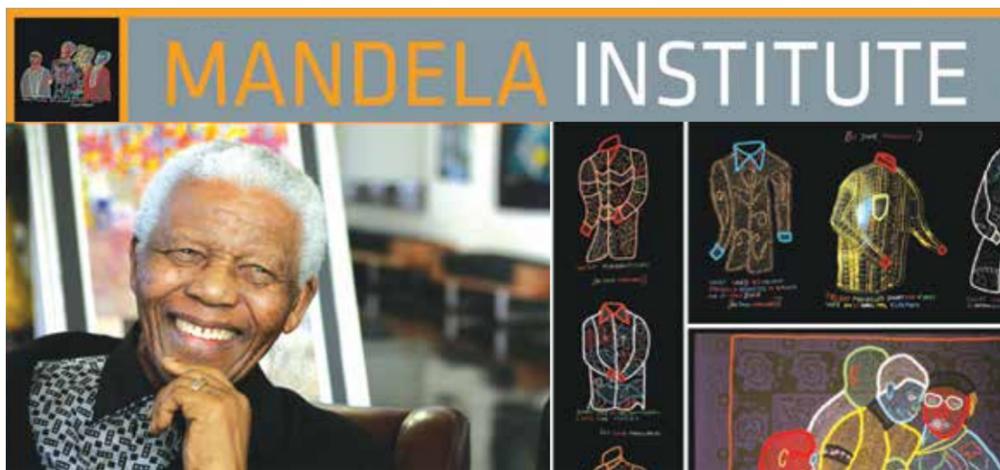


INVITATION



Second African International Economic Law Network Conference

7 – 8 MARCH 2013
JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

TRADE GOVERNANCE: INTEGRATING AFRICA INTO THE WORLD ECONOMY THROUGH INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW

The African International Economic Law Network is hosting its second conference on 7-8 March 2013 in Johannesburg, South Africa and has the pleasure to invite you to attend. We believe the conference deliberations will be greatly advanced by your participation.

Whereas people in developing countries are becoming richer, about a billion others, mostly found in Africa and Central Asia, are being thrown deep into poverty. While there is a plethora of reasons for why this phenomenon is occurring, one of the key factors is that Africa is not integrated into the world economy. Consequently, most African countries are not able to enjoy the benefits of international economic law, whose main objective is to make people live better through open and fair markets and deeper integration into the world economy.

The conference seeks to bring together academics, policy makers, intergovernmental organisations, governments, specialists in law, and trade and investment, economists, and NGOs to discuss the ways in which African states' economies can be integrated into Africa (intraAfrica) and the world around the following issues:

1. Trade in goods and agriculture
2. Trade in services
3. Foreign investment
4. Governance
5. Competition law and policy
6. Intellectual property rights and technology acquisition
7. Infrastructure development and economic integration (especially transportation and energy)
8. Dispute settlement
9. Multilateral economic governance and African economic integration

International Speakers

International speakers who will be presenting papers at the conference include:

- Professor Brook K. Baker, Northeastern University School of Law
- Dr Lorand Bartels, University of Cambridge
- Dr Caiphas Chekwoti, Trade Policy Training Centre in Africa (TRAPCA)
- Dr Bernard Hoekman, World Bank
- Professor Muna Ndulo, Cornell University's Institute for African Development, Cornell University Law School
- Professor Clement Ngongola, University of Botswana
- Professor Pierre Sauv , World Trade Institute

Conference Venue

The conference will take place in the well-appointed Chalsty Teaching and Conference Centre, Law School Building, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg.

Conference Registration

The registration fee for conference participants is ZAR1500. A discount of 10% is available for group bookings of three or more people from the same organisation. Please note that registrations cannot be shared and individual sessions cannot be purchased separately.

Please register with Ms Julie Dunsford at the Mandela Institute, School of Law, University of the Witwatersrand on Julie.Dunsford@wits.ac.za or phone +27 11 7178468 by 14 December 2012.

Travel and Accommodation

Conference participants will be responsible for arranging and paying for their own transport and accommodation.

