



Gujarat National Law University



GNLU-CTIL TRADELAB CLINIC FALL 2023

GNLU-CTIL TradeLab Clinic is a joint initiative of the Centre for Trade and Investment Law, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India and Gujarat National Law University. The TradeLab Clinic provides students with the opportunity to work on contemporary real-life issues of International Trade Law and gain clinical legal education benefits.

Students from GNLU are chosen every semester to participate in GNLU-CTIL TradeLab clinics as student researchers.



ABOUT TRADELAB

TradeLab is a Geneva based initiative which brings together students, academics, and legal practitioners with the aim of empowering stakeholders to avail the benefits of research in international trade law and international investment law.

TradeLab operations function on a hub-and-spoke basis with CTIL serving as an anchor institution between the GNLU and the beneficiaries (of the research projects) to ensure seamless coordination and communication.

GNLU CTIL TRADELAB CLINIC

The TradeLab clinic is being run at GNLU under the auspices of GNLU Centre for Public and Private International Law and is being supervised by Prof. (Dr.) S Shantakumar and Prof. Harsha Rajwanshi. Through the GNLU-CTIL TradeLab Clinic, student researchers have the opportunity to network with beneficiaries, address real-life legal issues, and gain academic credit.

FALL 2023 PROJECT

The following students were selected for the GNLU CTIL TradeLab Clinic for the Fall Semester 2023 (July - December):

Anushree Srivastava (2021-26)

Dishaa Dand (2021-26)

Sanigdha Budhia (2020-25)

Sanjali Rupnawar (2019-24)

Shubhankar Sharan (2021-26)

ABOUT THE PROJECT

ANALYSING THE DIFFERENTIATED INTEGRATION POLICY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OECS STATES

The students worked on this project for a confidential beneficiary. Their report was aimed to offer policy recommendations to CARICOM on how to better address the needs of its small island states. By examining the European Union's approach to differentiated integration for its small state members, their analysis sought to provide valuable insights and lessons for CARICOM to consider.

The students successfully submitted the report and presentation to the CTIL team as well as the beneficiary in February 2024.

A non-confidential summary of the report can be accessed here: <https://tradelab.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/Analysing-the-DI-policy-of-EU-CTIL-TradeLab-latest-16-4-24.pdf>

TESTIMONIALS



Anushree Srivastava

My participation in the TradeLab clinic, organized by the CTIL and GNLU, has been remarkable. It provided me with the unique opportunity to engage with real-world issues that have substantial implications. The depth and breadth of the topics we addressed extended well beyond conventional classroom learning.

Working alongside motivated peers and under the direction of expert mentors was immensely rewarding. I extend my sincere gratitude to CTIL and GNLU for offering such an exceptional and transformative experience.

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Dishaa Dand

Participating in the TradeLab Clinic allowed me to tackle a practical and current issue in international trade law, offering me a deeper and more nuanced understanding of the field. Moreover, Engaging with peers, CTIL mentors, and the beneficiary provided valuable insights that will enhance my effectiveness in future endeavors.

Overall, this experience was highly rewarding. I am grateful to the University and CTIL for this invaluable opportunity!

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Sanigdh Budhia

Participating in the TradeLab clinic, organized by CTIL and GNLU, has been a remarkable experience. It provided me with a unique opportunity to engage with real-world issues of substantial importance. I worked on the intricate geopolitical policy issue of implementing differentiated integration in the Caribbean small states region, gaining insights into policymaking in both the European Union and Caribbean regions. The meticulous guidance of CTIL mentors and collaboration with my motivated peers from GNLU made this experience academically fulfilling. I am sincerely grateful to both CTIL and GNLU for this opportunity.

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Sanjali Rupnawar

Working with the TradeLab Clinic provided me exposure to work on an intricate geopolitical policy issue relating to feasibility of implementing differentiated integration policy in the Caribbean small states region. I had the opportunity to engage with policy-making concerns of two contrasting global regions: The European Union and Caribbean States.

The meticulous guidance of CTIL mentors and collaborating with my peers from GNLU has yielded into an academically fulfilling experience equipping me with relevant research and analysis skills. I am grateful for this invigorating opportunity!

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Shubhankar Sharan

Participating in the GNLU-CTIL TradeLab Clinic provided me with an opportunity work on the policies on Differentiated Integration in the European Union and their applicability in the Caribbean States. Throughout my tenure, I came across several interesting concepts related to trade policies and their commercial applicability.

I was fortunate to work with the exceptional team at CTIL, which facilitated the completion of the project and guided us throughout. Lastly, none of this would have been possible without the support and help of my peers. It was a highly enriching experience.