

# FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT

## Syllabus

### A. Outline

The course will address the various regimes governing foreign direct investment. It will examine domestic laws, bilateral treaties, regional arrangements and international organizations to the extent that they regulate foreign investment. The emphasis will be on the legal regimes affecting foreign investment and their importance from the perspective of the lawyer advising the foreign investor. The course will not examine in detail related issues such as international finance, securities regulation, international taxation. The course will not focus either on structuring and negotiating international business transactions and the underlying contracts.

### B. Class Topics

Class One:	Introduction
Class Two:	Foreign Investment Transactions and Domestic Investment Regulation
Class Three:	Expropriation and Compensation
Class Four:	Expropriation and Compensation (Cont'd)
Class Five:	Bilateral Investment Treaties
Class Six:	Bilateral Investment Treaties (Cont'd)
Class Seven:	Regional Regimes
Class Eight:	Trade and Investment. Investment and the World Trade Organization
Class Nine:	Political Risk Insurance of Investment
Class Ten:	Settlement of Investment Disputes
Class Eleven:	Settlement of Investment Disputes (Cont'd)
Class Twelve:	Investment Disputes and Public International Law

### **C. Reading Assignments and Materials**

Reading materials will not exceed 100 pages per class. Reading assignments will provide the minimum basis for class discussion. Students are therefore required to read the assigned materials and are encouraged to review other materials suggested by the instructor.

### **D. Format and Requirements**

The course will meet for two hours on a weekly basis. Class attendance and participation are essential: students should come ready to participate actively in the discussion.

### **E. Methods of Evaluation**

The course will be graded on the basis of an open book final examination. The instructor may decide to raise or lower a student's grade by one to two grade steps for class performance. Please remember that active participation in class is essential for meeting the requirements of the course.