



INDIAN INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN TRADE
IIFT Bhawan, B-21, Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi-110016
(Deemed to be University under Deptt. Of Commerce, Govt. of India)

INVITES APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF HEAD, CENTRE FOR WTO STUDIES (CWTS)

IIFT is a premier institution of education, training and research in the area of International Business set up by Department of Commerce, Government of India.

With the object to provide continuous research and analytical support on all issues pertaining to the World Trade Organization, Centre for WTO Studies was established in 1999 by Department of Commerce as a professional body that would provide research and allied inputs to the government for negotiations at the WTO as well as for other WTO mandated committees. Presently, the Centre for WTO Studies functions under the overall umbrella of Centre for Research on International Trade (CRIT) which is a part of the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade.

Applications are invited for the post of Head, Centre for WTO Studies.

Educational and other qualification required

A. Academicians

1. Direct or indirect experience in WTO and/or trade issues.
2. Minimum 10 years' sectoral (Officer Level)/research/teaching experience, of which 8 years should be at the level of Assistant/Associate Professor. Experience at the level of Associate Professor may carry more weightage. For persons with research/teaching experience at least 4 years of experience as Associate Professor should be in a premier institution such as IIM, IIT, IISC, NITIE, Central University or similar.
3. Ph.D. shall be essential.
4. Consistently good academic record with at least 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) at Graduation and Post-Graduation level.

B. On Deputation

1. From the Government
 - a. Officers on deputation from the Government of India
 - b. Officers on deputation from State Governments
 - c. Appointed on basis of length of service and expertise in relevant field
2. From Academic/Research/Training Institutions as mentioned in A above

C. Others-Industry and Profession

1. Individuals with extensive direct experience of at least 3 years in WTO negotiations.
2. Professor as Consultants, as per the qualifications of a Professor at the Centre.
3. Consistently good academic record with at least 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) at Graduation and Post-Graduation level.
4. The candidate from industry and profession should have work experience in trade which is significant and can be recognized at National/ International level. Ten years managerial experience in industry/profession is desirable

Brief description of the responsibilities of Head, CWTOS

Head of the Centre for WTO Studies is the Chief Executive of the Centre. His responsibilities include planning, implementing and monitoring the annual work programme of the Center and supervising day-to-day functioning of the Centre in order to ensure that its objectives, as specified in Clause 4 of the Bye-laws of the Centre, are fulfilled effectively.

More specifically, the responsibilities of the Head of the Centre for WTO Studies include undertaking research for assisting India's trade negotiators and policy makers in participating effectively in the WTO and at the related multilateral/bilateral trade negotiations; enhancing the understanding of key trade issues among stakeholders through outreach and dissemination activities; and assist in consensus building and developing capacities within India and in other developing countries for analysing WTO and other trade-related issues through training programmes.

Tenure:

All appointments, other than on deputation, shall initially be on contract for a period of one year extendable for a subsequent period of two and then three years on the basis of performance of the incumbent and future requirement of the Centre.

Scale of Pay:

The scale of pay for Head, CWS shall be equivalent to those of a Professor at IIFT, as may be revised from time to time.

The selected candidate will have to join immediately.

Interested persons having the above qualification and experience should **only** apply and send their CV by email to Registrar, IIFT, New Delhi (**email id: establishment@iift.ac.in**) latest by **04.09.2022**. The application should also clearly indicate that the application is for the post of Head, Centre for WTO Studies. The candidate should submit a brief one page write-up on why he/she considers himself/herself suitable for this post along with the application.

Applications received without the write-up shall be rejected.

Government officers applying response to the advertisement should also submit a letter from the appropriate authority sanctioning cadre clearance for the applicant.

The shortlisted candidates shall have to appear for interview before the Selection Committee at New Delhi. The date and time of the interview shall be intimated to the shortlisted candidates only by email in due course. It may also be noted that the outside candidates shall have to make their own arrangements for travel/stay and that the IIFT shall not bear any expenditure on this account.

Note:

- Canvassing of any nature and/or bringing any influence /pressure from any quarter will be treated as a disqualification for the post.
- Candidates must fulfill essential qualification/experience on the last date of application.
- In case of large number of applications, the scrutiny committee may apply benchmarks higher than minimum essential/desirable qualifications to shortlist the candidates for interview.
- Selection/ appointment/employment will be subject to fulfillment of required qualification, experience etc. along with verification of testimonials, antecedents, and past service. If it is found at any stage that any information has been suppressed or wrongly/ falsely provided or any fraud has been committed, the application/ appointment/ employment of the concerned applicant will be rejected/ cancelled/ terminated summarily.

- The Institute reserves the right to fill or not fill the post advertised. No correspondence whatsoever will be entertained from the candidates regarding postal delays, conduct and result of interview and reason for not being called for interview.
- Any dispute with regard to this recruitment will be subject to the Courts/Tribunals having jurisdiction over Delhi.

(Dr. P K Gupta)
Registrar