



CENTRE FOR TRADE AND INVESTMENT LAW
(Established by Ministry of Commerce and Industry)

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR RECRUITMENT OF LEGAL PROFESSIONAL

A. ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

The Centre for Trade and Investment Law (CTIL) was established by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, to enhance the capacity within the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and other government agencies, and to provide legal and technical inputs on international trade and investment law matters to the Ministry. CTIL functions as a think tank and an advisory centre in relation to legal issues falling under the World Trade Organisation (WTO), free trade agreements, and other international economic law issues.

CTIL is designated as the nodal agency to recruit independent legal consultants at different level on a contractual basis for the Department of Commerce's various Divisions. In order to support the Department of Commerce, CTIL intends to engage **16 lawyers** at the levels of Young Professional and Associates, to work on trade-related issues across multilateral and bilateral agreements (including Trade in Goods; Trade in Services; Trade and Sustainable Development; Intellectual Property Rights, Geographical Indications, innovation, and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Trade Remedies and Dispute Settlement; Regulatory Practices, Competition, Government Procurement, Anti-Corruption, Transparency; Rules of Origin, Trade Facilitation, and Non-Tariff measures; Investment Protection; and Agriculture).

B. VACANCY

CTIL is looking for highly motivated, qualified lawyers, to join immediately, on a contractual basis, for the following roles:

1. Young Professional; and
2. Associate; and

The candidate must meet the eligibility criteria listed in Part C and D of this notification. Based on the requirements of the Department of Commerce, selected candidates will be deputed to the Trade Policy Wing, Trade Negotiations - Multilateral, and Trade Negotiations – Bilateral Wing in the Department of Commerce.

C. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Candidate must be an Indian national who holds a master's degree in law or its equivalent.¹

Candidates must have excellent legal professional skills, with a demonstrated interest and/or experience in international law, international trade law, investment law, and related fields listed in Part A. Candidates must also have strong written and spoken communication, and presentation skills in English. Candidates must be able to provide sound and rigorous legal analysis, and must have strong research, drafting and legal analytical skills, specifically in the fields listed in Part A.

¹ For the candidate's having degrees from universities/institutes from outside India, Times/QS ranking of such universities/institutes will be taken into account.

Candidates should also satisfy the specific eligibility criteria listed in Part D, in addition to the above. PQE in Part D refers to Post Qualification Experience, i.e., work experience that has been obtained following the candidate's successful completion of a degree in law. In other words, time spent while pursuing post graduation will not count towards PQE. Experience in international negotiations, dispute settlement processes and any of the listed areas in Part A is desirable.

D. CATEGORY SPECIFIC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

CATEGORY	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	UPPER AGE LIMIT (AS ON 01.08.2022)
Young Professional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PQE of minimum 01 year. 	35 years
Associate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PQE of minimum 03 years; • Minimum 01 year relevant experience (sectoral/research/teaching experience in trade or investment law, or a related discipline) is required. 	45 years

E. EMOLUMENTS AND TENURE

All selected candidates will be appointed on a contract basis, for one year, with the possibility of further extension based on performance. The selected candidates will be paid a fixed monthly remuneration, based on appropriate experience and qualification, as follows:

CATEGORY	RENUMERATION (RS.)
Young Professional	60,000
Associate	80,000 – 1,45,000

F. APPLICATION PROCESS

Interested candidates that satisfy the above listed eligibility criteria are invited to apply only through the links below, latest by **14th September 2022 (Wednesday)**.

1. Young Professional: [http://docs.iift.ac.in/recruit/solo.asp?jcode=YP_SEP2022]
2. Associate: [http://docs.iift.ac.in/recruit/solo.asp?jcode=ASSOCIATE_SEP2022]

Only applications received via the above links will be considered. Candidates who are considered ineligible for their applied position may be considered for a different position, based on an evaluation of their application. Only shortlisted candidates for the second round (written test and interview) will be contacted via email. The written test will assess the candidate's competence and skills in the domain of international trade law, international investment law or generally in the wide discipline of international economic law. The written test and interview will be conducted in New Delhi.
