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About the Centre for Trade and Investment Law

The Centre for Trade and Investment Law (CTIL) was established in the year 2016 by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, at the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT). The Centre's primary objective is to provide sound and rigorous analysis of legal issues pertaining to international trade and investment law to the Government of India and other governmental agencies. The Centre is aiming to create a dedicated pool of legal experts that who could provide technical inputs for enhancing India's participation in international trade and investment negotiations and dispute settlement

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About the Centre for International Trade and Economic Laws (CITEL)

The Centre for International Trade and Economic Laws (CITEL) is an academic research centre affiliated to Jindal Global Law School (JGLS), O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU). It was established in 2009 at Jindal Global Law School (JGLS). The centre aims to provide expertise and technical assistance in order to promote research and scholarship in International Trade and Economic Laws. CITEL aims to promote understanding and application the International Trade and Economic Laws. In this pursuit it engages with various private and governmental agencies while supporting legal education in this sphere at JGLS. The centre builds critical and analytical ability of students to appreciate the decisions by government and international bodies, outcome of treaty negotiations as well as important decisions of courts and quasi-judicial bodies.

About SAIELN

South Asia International Economic Law Network (SAIELN) is a collaborative network of academics, practitioners and officials interested in the field of International Economic Law. SAIELN is committed to providing a platform for its members to articulate their views, brainstorm their ideas, and importantly, to nurture and develop the field of international economic law especially in the South Asia region. SAIELN's focus is to create an environment conducive to the exchange of ideas and the promotion of scholarship in this field. At the same time, SAIELN is global in its outlook and reach, and inclusive in its membership and activities. Scholars from any part of the world are welcome to join us and contribute to our activities. SAIELN also seeks to build on and expand the activities of Society of International Law (SIEL) in promoting and enriching International Economic Law.



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***** CONCEPT NOTE*****

UK-INDIA post-Brexit

Trade and Power Democracy

Brexit is a significant development not just for the UK, but for much of the rest of the world. The significance arises from the new perspectives with which UK and the rest of the world would view each other, almost five decades after UK integrated with Europe. Economic integration was among the major drivers behind UK's association with Europe. Following Brexit, irrespective of the form it eventually assumes, economic relations between UK and Europe would need to be re-formalized. Substantive part of the re-formalization would involve recasting trade relations. The UK would need to develop its own trade policy for engaging with Europe and the rest of the world. Modern trade policies are as much about trade in goods, as they are about cross-border movements of capital, technology, people, knowledge and data flows. Bilateral or regional trade agreements entail far deeper alignment between domestic regulations that influence these issues than what was comprehensible before. UK needs to examine these issues from both national and global regulatory perspectives post-Brexit, as do countries, which envisage new institutionalised trade relations with UK through trade agreements.

Both the UK and India are prominent global middle powers looking to elevate their respective strategic influences in global affairs and the world order. Apart from more than three centuries of colonial history, both countries are also common in their democratic principles, reliance on rule of law, robust legal systems and multi-cultural, multi-ethnic societies. As economies though, notwithstanding roughly similar sizes, they vary significantly in structures and nature of socio-economic development, as high-income OECD advanced economies do vis-à-vis large populous developing emerging market economies. Disruptive developments like trade hostilities between the US and China, threats to the multilateral rules-based trade order, upsurge in Asia's strategic significance, and Brexit, present new opportunities for engagement between both countries. Enthusiastic calls for repositioning the engagement are mutual with trade relations expected to be at the forefront of such repositioning.

Against this backdrop, and as a follow up to an international conference organised by the *Democratic*

Citizenship Theme of the University of Portsmouth (UoP) in partnership with the *National University of Singapore (NUS)*, in June 2018, this Special issue on *UK-India post-Brexit: Trade and Power Democracy*, addresses the challenges and opportunities of a renewed relationship between the two countries. While international economic dynamics, and trade, are at the centre of our discussions, our contributors also tackle important political questions in relation to the role of law and regulation, the settlement of dispute, the rule of law and indeed democracy.



Programme Schedule

<i>Time</i>	<i>Schedule</i>
9.30 am	Tea/Coffee
10.00 am	Welcome Address and Introduction to the Special Issue by Prof. James J. Nedumpara & Prof. LeilaChoukroune
10.30 am	Keynote address and Release of the Journal by Professor (Dr.)Manoj Pant, Director, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade
10.45 am	Launch of the Special Issue of the Manchester Journal of International Economic Law
11.00 am – 11.40 am	Presentations <i>Presenters:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Prof. James J. Nedumpara, “Brexit and the UK’s Commitments at the WTO: The Challenges in Effecting a Legal Divorce from the European Union”.➤ Dr. Sai Ramani Garimella (SAU), “Interrogating Third Party Funding in Investment Arbitration – The Need for Regulation in the UK and India”.➤ Prof. LeilaChoukroune, “Beyond Trade: Power Democracy”.
11.45 am	Vote of Thanks by Ms. Sreelakshmi S Kurup