



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

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR RECRUITMENT OF LEGAL PROFESSIONALS

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 agencies, and provide legal and technical inputs on international trade and investment law issues. 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.

In order to support the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, CTIL intends to engage 6 lawyers (4 Associates and 2 Young Professionals) at the level of Associate, to work on trade-related issues across multilateral agreements 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, etc.; 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 in the position of:

1. Young Professional; and
2. Associate

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, a candidate may be deputed to the Trade Policy Wing, Trade Negotiations - Multilateral, and Trade Negotiations – Bilateral Wing in the Department of Commerce.

C. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Candidates must be Indian nationals and should preferably hold a master's degree in law.¹

Candidate 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. Candidate must also have strong written and spoken communication, and presentation skills in English. Candidate must be able to provide sound and rigorous legal analysis, and must also have strong research, drafting and legal analytical skills, specifically in the fields listed in Part A. Strong preference will be given to candidates who have experience in trade negotiations and settlement of international trade disputes.

Candidate 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. Experience includes up to three years for Ph.D. holder, provided that no work experience is counted during those three years. Experience

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

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 (ON LAST DATE OF RECEIVING THE APPLICATIONS)
Young Professionals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must not be more than 35 years of age at the time of recruitment. • Must hold a master's degree in law. Consistently good academic record with at least 55% (or an equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed) at bachelor's and master's levels. • Must have a minimum of 1-year experience. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant work experience or research and studies produced in international trade, economic diplomacy, international law, investment, public policy, or a related discipline is desirable. 	35 years
Associate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must not be more than 45 years of age at the time of recruitment. • Must hold a master's degree in law. Consistently good academic record with at least 55% (or an equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed) at bachelor's and master's levels. • Must have a minimum of 3 years' post- experience, out of which a minimum of 1 year must be in the relevant field, for example, international trade and allied fields. • Relevant work experience or research and studies produced in international trade, economic diplomacy, international law, investment, public policy, or a related discipline is desirable. 	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 as follows:

CATEGORY	REMUNERATION (RS.)
Young Professional	60,000/-
Associate	80,000 – 1,45,000

Remuneration for selected candidates shall be fixed, based on the following:

- a. The range of Remuneration proposed in the above table for the position in which the candidate has been selected; or
- b. Years of Experience (Overall experience and relevant experience); or
- c. Additional requirements such as UGC-NET qualification, publications in reputed journals, participation in conferences, experience in trade policy etc. shall be considered in cases where the Selection Committee/ Interview Committee determines that the candidate is exceptional.

F. APPLICATION PROCESS

Interested candidates that satisfy the above listed eligibility criteria are invited to apply only through the links below: Last date of the advertisement: **3rd January 2024**

Young Professional: http://docs.iift.ac.in/recruit/solo.asp?jcode=YP_DEC2023

Associate: http://docs.iift.ac.in/recruit/solo.asp?jcode=ASSOCIATES_DEC2023

Only applications received via the above links will be considered. 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 disciplines of international economic law.
