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Call for Papers

Dear colleague,

The *Review of International Organizations* will publish a special issue on “Trade and Investment,” and we would like to invite you to submit an article for the issue.

The regulatory fields of international trade and investment have developed and transformed substantially in the past 2 decades. While progress in rule-making in the WTO has been limited, we have seen important initiatives through a new generation of preferential trade agreements (e.g., TPP, TTIP). In regards to investment regulation, we observe increasing attempts to plurilateralize if not multilateralize the bilateral investment regime. We also witness efforts in international economic governance to seek to integrate these economic domains, e.g., through mainstreaming trade and investment promotion in development assistance or through new mega-regional agreements that focus on both trade and investment.

This special issue seeks to publish papers that employ new theories, new methods, or new empirical evidence that can help us better understand the political economy of the international trade and investment architecture. Papers can address a range of different issues and organizations including, but not limited to:

1. How do we explain the creation and institutional design of IOs or the reform of extant IOs in the areas of investment and/or trade?
2. What is the role of IOs in affecting domestic trade and investment climate?
3. How do non-economic IOs (and other formalized types of cooperation) contribute to the trade and investment regimes?
4. What has been working in trade and investment institutions (e.g., WTO, UNCTAD, ICSID), and what hasn't?
5. What are the different effects from international trade and investment cooperation on economic and political parameters?

6. How does the increasing reliance on regional and global production networks change the political economy of international organizations that regulate trade or investment?
7. What is the role of emerging economies in shaping the international trade and investment architecture?
8. How do new economic ideas shape the political economy of trade and investment organizations?
9. How do citizens perceive the work of trade- and investment-related institutions?
10. What is the role of new preferential agreements (e.g., trade agreements and bilateral investment agreements) in trade and investment governance? How do trade and investment institutions interact?

The deadline for submissions for the special issue is April 15, 2017. Submissions should be made through Editorial Manager (<http://www.editorialmanager.com/roio/>), indicating that the submission is to the special issue ("SI: Trade and Investment").

Sincerely,

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