"Seminar on the World Trade Report 2026 and Launch of Its Chinese Edition" At the Ninth Hongqiao International Economic Forum

Date: 9:00 am, 6 November, 2026

Venue: National Exhibition and Convention Center (Shanghai), Hall 4.2H C1

Hosted by: Ministry of Commerce of China

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Introduction:

The World Trade Report 2026 is entitled A Critical Juncture for the World Trading System. As the report indicates, over the past eight decades, the multilateral trading system has helped reduce trade barriers, support a nearly 50-fold expansion in global trade, and create a more open, integrated and rules-based global economy. Despite the challenges and difficulties faced by the WTO, its rules remain the essential legal foundation for international commerce.

In this seminar, the high-level representatives from government, international organization, industry and academia will discuss development trend of international economy and trade, the important role of the multilateral trading system, and the challenges facing the system today. They will also explore how to enhance the multilateral economic and trade cooperation to boost economic growth and sustainable development.

Program:

Agenda	Timeslot	Honored Guests	Title & Organization
		Ms. LIU Liya (Moderator)	President of Shanghai University of International Business and Economics
Keynote Speech	9:00-9:20	Mr. HAN Yong	Director General of the Department of WTO Affairs, Ministry of Commerce of China
		Ms. Maika Oshikawa	Director of the Accessions Division, representing the Director-General of the WTO
		Mr. MA Jianchun	Chairperson of China Society for WTO Studies
Panel Discussion on World Trade Report 2026: A Critical Juncture for the World Trading System			
		Mr. YING Pinguang (Moderator)	Professor of Shanghai University of International Business and Economics
		Mr. CHEN Yusong	Inspector at the First Level, the Department of WTO Affairs, Ministry of Commerce of China
		Mr. Clemens Boonekamp	Former Director of the Agriculture Division and Former Director of Trade Policy Review Division of WTO
Panel Discussion	9:20-10:30	Ms. Stela Rubínová	Senior Economist of WTO
		Ms. ZHAO Hong	Professor of Peking University, the former member of WTO Appellate Body
		Mr. TU Xinquan	Professor of University of International Business and Economics
		Ms. RONG Fei	Customs Affairs Manager, Alibaba China Commerce Group