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Abstract

Coherency: Inclusion of International Organisations in Dispute Settlement Procedure

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"I am a multilateralist. I am deeply convinced that there is no other way to deal with global challenges than with global responses, and organised in a multilateral way."

Antonio Gueterras

The Multilateral world has been a witness to a global understanding and acceptance of nations on certain issues. This acceptance led to the formation of International Institutions especially in the 20th century. Nations played a vital role from formation to sustenance and functioning of these institutions. These institutions work largely in specific areas, for example, the International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Health Organisation (WHO), World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO). A problem arises regarding the nature of differing powers vested in these institutions. However, every subject governed by these global institutions aren't completely isolated from the other. There is interconnectivity of the subject matters.

This understanding has led to scholars to claim the fragmentation of international organisations. The author has a slight disagreement that the working of all international organisations isn't completely fragmented. There is an acknowledgement of the impact of the work done. International organisations have reached an understanding that working in coherency is the way ahead. The author is focusing specifically on the understanding exhibited by the World Trade Organisation (WTO). The WTO since the beginning has provided for the interdependence on other international institutions. This article is an examination of the WTO's collaboration with other international organisations with a specific focus on the Dispute Settlement Procedure which is the one of the most important organs of the WTO. This understanding will be backed through panel and appellate body reports. The author aims to show the existing coherency between WTO and other international organisations while mapping the way ahead.

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