



### Invitation

## **FIW-Trade Talks**

# 75 years of GATT with Douglas A. Irwin (Dartmouth)

19<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 4:00 p.m. Online-Event-Series

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

FIW - the Research Centre International Economics - is pleased to announce another edition of FIW Trade Talks.

Harald Oberhofer, head of the FIW-project, will be speaking with University Professor Douglas A. Irwin (Dartmouth College) on the topic "75 years of GATT".

**Time:** 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 4:00 p.m. **Venue:** online event (Zoom)

**Registration** necessary:

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Language: English

Seventy-five years ago, on 30 October 1947, 23 countries signed the Final Act of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). Devised as a temporary agreement that would boost international trade, the GATT regulated world trade for almost 50 years before being succeeded by the World Trade Organization in 1995. However, the GATT still exists as the WTO's umbrella treaty for trade in goods

FIW-Trade Talks is a series of online-events organized by the Research Centre International Economics (FIW). International economic researchers or high-ranking policy makers are being interviewed on current topics in international economics and economic policy.

### Douglas A. Irwin

Douglas Irwin is John French Professor of Economics at Dartmouth College. He is the author of Clashing over Commerce: A History of U.S. Trade Policy (University of Chicago Press, 2017), which The Economist and Foreign Affairs selected as one of their Best Books of the Year. He is president-elect of the Economic History Association (2022-23).



He is the author of Free Trade Under Fire (Princeton University Press, fifth edition 2020), Trade Policy Disaster: Lessons from the 1930s (MIT Press, 2012), The Genesis of the GATT (Cambridge University Press, 2008, co-authored with Petros Mavroidis and Alan Sykes) and many articles on trade policy and economic history in books and professional journals.

He is a Research Associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research and a non-resident Senior Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics. He worked on trade policy issues while on the staff of President Ronald Reagan's Council of Economic Advisers and later worked in the International Finance Division at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in Washington, D.C. Before joining Dartmouth, Irwin taught at the University of Chicago's Booth School of Business.

#### **Harald Oberhofer**

Harald Oberhofer is a Senior Economist at WIFO, the Austrian Institute of Economic Research. He is Professor of Economics at the Vienna University of Economics and Business. His research interests include International Economics, empirical Industrial Organisation and Applied Econometrics. Harald Oberhofer studied at the University of Innsbruck and holds a doctorate in Economics and Social Sciences from the University of Innsbruck.



Harald Oberhofer regularly serves as a consultant to international organisations such as the OECD and the World Bank, where he analyses the impact of institutional regulations on firm performance, also over the business cycle.

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