

My name is Fabio Morosini and I am an Associate Professor at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul School of Law, in Brazil, where I direct the Center for Law, Globalization and Development. I am also a research fellow at the National Council of Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq, Ministry of Science and Technology, Brazil). During the 2015-2016 academic year, I was a Global Hauser Research Fellow at NYU School of Law. I hold a Ph.D. and an LL.M. from the University of Texas at Austin; and a master, with honors, from the University of Paris 1/ Paris' Institute of Political Sciences. Upon completion of my Ph.D., I was a post-doctoral fellow at the World Trade Organization. In the Winter 2020, I taught trade and investment law in Latin America at the University of Michigan Law School. I have also taught at the UN's Regional Courses in International Law.

My research examines how international economic order is constituted. I focus on the participation of Global South countries in the trade and investment regimes, exploring their changing role and how their interests are accommodated in the multilateral, regional and bilateral spheres. In my most recent co-edited book "*Reconceptualizing International Investment Law from the Global South*" (CUP, 2018), we explored how a selected number of Global South are engaging with the investment regime, including their different uses of ISDS.

I believe that I am well-suited to join the ISDS Academic Forum Steering and to make constructive contributions to the ongoing discussions on possible reform of ISDS, in particular the discussions in the context of UNCITRAL's Working Group III (WGIII). First, because ISDS reform informs an important part of my research agenda. Second, my expertise on trade law, a twin area, can shed light on how one thinks about investment law reforms. Third, being from and working in the Global South allow me to approach ISDS reform debates from a different standpoint. For greater certainty, I am not disputing the direction that the work of the Academic Steering Committee is heading, but I suggest that I am positioned to identify additional issues and help to think creatively about possible ways to address them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Fabio.