

## Robert Anderson



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#### Biography

Mr. Anderson is Counsellor in the Intellectual Property Division of the Secretariat of the World Trade Organization (WTO) in Geneva, Switzerland, where he heads the Secretariat team supporting the work of the WTO Committee on Government Procurement. Key areas of focus include the recent renegotiation of the plurilateral Agreement on Government Procurement and pending accessions to the Agreement, including those of China, Jordan, Ukraine and various other WTO Members. Mr Anderson is also the lead advisor in the WTO Secretariat regarding international competition policy (antitrust) issues. He travels regularly to the developing regions of the world to present technical assistance workshops and seminars in his areas of responsibility.

Prior to joining the WTO in 1997, Mr Anderson held various positions in the Canadian Competition Bureau (Canada's national antitrust agency) and, earlier in his career, in: (i) the Department of Finance of the Canadian Province of Saskatchewan; and (ii) the Economic Council of Canada.

Mr. Anderson is a member of the Contracts Committee of the WTO Secretariat, which oversees the Secretariat's own procurements (e.g. building construction and refurbishment). Recently, he has been appointed to the World Bank's International Advisory Group on Procurement.

Mr Anderson is co-editor of two books: (i) (with Prof. Sue Arrowsmith of the University of Nottingham) *The WTO Regime on Government Procurement: Challenge and Reform* (Cambridge University Press, 2011); and (ii) (with Prof. Nancy Gallini of the University of British Columbia) *Competition Policy and Intellectual Property Rights in the Knowledge-based Economy* (Industry Canada Research Series, 1998). He is the author/co-author of articles published in the *Journal of International Economic Law*, the *Public Procurement Law Review*, the *Antitrust Law Journal*, the *Swiss Review of International Economic Relations* ("Aussenwirtschaft"), *Law in Transition* (an e-journal of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development) and the *Canadian Competition Record*, in addition to chapters in numerous edited volumes.

Mr Anderson is on the visiting faculty of the World Trade Institute in Bern, Switzerland, and holds the title of Honorary Professor in the School of Law at the University of Nottingham

(United Kingdom). He has been a guest speaker, on multiple occasions, in relevant courses of the George Washington University Law School (United States). He holds a B.A. with Honors in Economics from the University of British Columbia (Vancouver, Canada) and a J.D. (Juris Doctor) from Osgoode Hall Law School (Toronto, Canada). He is a citizen of Canada and the United States.