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Dr. Rolland's writings focus on the legal framework for sustainable and socio-economic development in international economic law, international environmental law and energy regulation. Through the exploration of different subject matters, she examines the intersection of legal regimes to improve the understanding of an increasingly multi-layered international and transnational legal order. She teaches Public International Law, International Trade Law, International Business Transactions. She has served in leadership positions at the American Society of International Law since 2013.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Professor of Law, Northeastern University School of Law	2014 to date
University Award for Excellence in Research and Creative Innovation	April 2020
Faculty Director of the LL.M. and International Programs	2014-18
Faculty Supervisor for the International Business & International Law concentrations (2014-18)	
<i>Taught courses:</i> International Trade Law, International Business Transactions, International Law	
<i>Committees (varied over the years):</i> International Programs, Global Law, Faculty Workload, Appointments	
Visiting Professor, Boston College Law School	Fall 2019
<i>Taught course:</i> International Business Transactions	
Visiting Professor, Columbia University School of Law	Fall 2015
<i>Taught course:</i> The Law of the WTO	
Visiting Professor, Georgetown University Law Center	Spring 2015
<i>Taught course:</i> Week One–Extradition Problem (Jan. 2015, Jan. 2016)	
WTO Academy lectures (Nov. 2014, Nov. 2015): Developing Country Issues and Interests; Trade and the Environment	
Visiting Associate Professor, Georgetown University Law Center	Spring 2014
<i>Taught course:</i> International Trade and Business Law	
WTO Academy lecture (Nov. 2013): Trade and the Environment	
Assistant/Associate Professor, Northeastern University School of Law	2009–2014
<i>Taught courses:</i> International Law, International Trade Law, Cross-Border Civil Litigation (private international law), International Business Transactions	
<i>Service:</i> Faculty Co-Director of the LL.M. and International Programs (2014-15), Appointments Committee (2013-14), Global Law and Programming Committee (Interim Chair, fall 2010 and fall 2012), Northeastern Law Journal Faculty Advisor (2009-2012)	
Lecturer, University of Michigan Law School	2007–2008
<i>Taught courses:</i> International Litigation, Transnational Law (mandatory course for JD students)	
Visiting Research Fellow, Columbia University School of Law	Fall 2006
Judicial Clerk, International Court of Justice, The Hague, Netherlands	2004–2005
Clerked for H.E. President Gilbert Guillaume and H.E. Judge Ronny Abraham	

EDUCATION

University of Cambridge Faculty of Law (United Kingdom), Ph.D – 2009

University of Michigan Law School, J.D. – 2003

University of Paris 10 (France), M.A. *with Honors* International and European Economic Law – 2000

Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (France), B.A. Political Science & International Relations – 1999

PUBLICATIONS (*some under former name Sonia Boutillon*)

BOOKS (MONOGRAPHS)

EMERGING POWERS IN THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER – COOPERATION, COMPETITION AND TRANSFORMATION (with David M. Trubek) 237 p., Cambridge University Press, 2019.

DEVELOPMENT AT THE WTO, Oxford University Press, 2012, reprinted in paperback 2013; 396 p. & 82 p. data annexes (online), 700+ printed copies sold.

- Reviewed by:

Sungjoon Cho, *Reinventing the Development Wheel of the World Trading System* (Reviewing Sonia E. Rolland, *Development at the World Trade Organization* (2012)), 16 JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW 481 (2013).

David Collins, *Sonia E. Rolland, Development at the WTO*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012, 361 pp, £70.00 hb., 76 MODERN LAW REVIEW 643 (2013).

Nicolas Lamp, *A Review of Sonia E. Rolland, Development at the World Trade Organization* (Oxford Univ. Press 2012), 4 TRADE LAW AND DEVELOPMENT 451 (2012).

ARTICLES

The Impact of Trade and Investment Treaties on Fiscal Resources and Taxation in Developing Countries, 21 CHICAGO JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 48 (2020).

Retooling or Redesigning Trade Law?, 2019 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS LAW REVIEW ONLINE 22.

Legal Innovation in Investment Law: Rhetoric and Practice in the South (with David M. Trubek), 39 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 355 (2017).

The Return of State Remedies in Investor State Dispute Settlement: Trends in Developing Countries, 49 LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO LAW JOURNAL 387 (2017).

Making International Economic Law Work: Integrating Disciplines and Broadening Policy Choices, 48 GEORGETOWN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 371 (2017).

Book Review: *The Social Foundations of World Trade: Norms, Community, and Constitution*. By Sungjoon Cho, 110 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 596 (2016).

Are Consumer-Oriented Rules the New Frontier of Trade Liberalization? 55 HARVARD INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 361 (2014).

Taking Climate Change by Storm: Theorizing Global and Local Policy-Making in Response to Extreme Weather Events (with Amy Pimentel and Auroop Ganguly), 63 BUFFALO LAW REVIEW 933 (2014).

International Decisions: Whaling in the Antarctic (Australia v. Japan: New Zealand Intervening), 108 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 496 (2014).

Book Review: "Regulation of Energy in International Trade Law – WTO, NAFTA and Energy Charter. Edited by Yulia Selivanova" 16 JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW 475-480 (2013).

Considering Development in the Implementation of Panel and AB Reports, 4 TRADE, LAW AND DEVELOPMENT 150 (2012).

Redesigning the Negotiation Process at the WTO, 13 JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW 65 (2010).

Developing Country Coalitions at the WTO: In Search of Legal Support, 48 HARVARD INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 483 (2007).

Book Review: Environmental Principles: From political Slogans to Legal Rules (N. de Sadeleer), 16 EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 164 (2005).

Comment: Standards for Habeas Corpus Review for “Enemy Combatants” Under Hamdi, Padilla, and Rasul, 2004 GLOBAL COMMUNITY YEARBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 173 (2004).

The Interpretation of Article I of the 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees by the European Union: Toward Harmonization, 18 GEORGETOWN IMMIGRATION LAW JOURNAL 111 (2003).

The Precautionary Principle: Development of an International Standard, 23 MICHIGAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 429 (2002). Conclusions adopted by the **International Law Commission** in its Third Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on the Legal Regime for the Allocation of Loss in case of Transboundary Harm Arising out of Hazardous Activities, UN Doc. A/CN.4/566 (March 2006).

BOOK CHAPTERS AND EDITED COLLECTIONS

Development-Driven Post WTO World (with David M. Trubek), in PARADISE LOST OR FOUND? THE POST-WTO INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ORDER (Picker et al., eds) Springer Press, 2020.

Embedded Neo-Liberalism and its Discontents: The Uncertain Future of Trade and Investment Law, (with D. Trubek), in GLOBALIZATION REIMAGINED: A PROGRESSIVE AGENDA FOR WORLD TRADE AND INVESTMENT LAW (David Trubek, Chantal Thomas, Alvaro Santos, eds.) Anthem Press, 2019.

Engagement, coopération et compétition: perspectives sur la participation des pays en développement à l'OMC, in ACTES DU COLLOQUE DE QUEBEC SUR LES 20 ANS DE L'OMC (Charles-Emmanuel Côté et al., eds.) Presses de l'Université de Laval, 2017.

Consumer protection issues in cross-border e-commerce, in RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON ELECTRONIC COMMERCE LAW (John A. Rothchild, ed.) Edward Elgar, 2016.

Editor, *Special Issue* “Climate Change and International Economic Law: Chiasms and Complementarities,” LAWS (2015)
http://www.mdpi.com/journal/laws/special_issues/Climate_Change_and_International_Economic_Law

Chapter 7 WTO Law, in TRANSNATIONAL LAW (M. Reimann, J. Hathaway, T. Dickinson, J. Samuels, eds., *West Casebook*, 2013).

Editor, *Special Issue* “Global Regulation of Nanotechnologies,” 9 NANOTECHNOLOGY LAW AND BUSINESS (2013): collection of 6 interdisciplinary articles based on the proceedings of the conference “The Global Governance of Nanotechnologies,” May 2010, Northeastern University School of Law (Boston, MA).

Les principes généraux à l'OMC in Vincent Tomkiewicz, Thierry Garcia & David Pavot, eds., LES SOURCES ET LES NORMES DANS LE DROIT DE L'OMC, Pédone, Paris, 2012, pp. 105-121.

Les groupements et coalitions d'Etats à l'OMC : la recherche d'un cadre juridique in Vincent Tomkiewicz, Thierry Garcia, eds., L'ORGANISATION MONDIALE DU COMMERCE ET LES SUJETS DE DROIT, Bruylant, Paris, 2011, pp. 79-94.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND CONSULTING

Study for the UN Special Rapporteur for the Rights of Disabled Persons: *Interpreting the 2000 Hague Convention on the International Protection of Adults Consistently with the 2007 Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities* (with Alex Ruck Keene) (2021).

Global Development Policy Center: The Impact of Trade and Investment Treaties on Mobilization of Taxation in Developing Countries, *GECI Working Paper 31* (Oct. 2019) available at <http://www.bu.edu/gdp/files/2019/11/Rolland-22Impact-of-Trade-and-Investment-Treaties22.pdf>.

International Center for Trade and Sustainable Development, Geneva: Expert member of the **Task Force Rethinking International Subsidies Disciplines.** Think piece: Subsidies, Clean Energy and Climate Change (with Ilaria Espa) available at: <http://e15initiative.org/publications/subsidies-clean-energy-and-climate-change/> (2014-15).

United Nations Ad Hoc Committee on Sovereign Debt Restructuring Processes, New York: Presentation to UN Delegates: Lessons from the WTO Dispute Settlement Process (Feb. 4, 2015).

WTO Academy, Georgetown University Law Center: Lectures on trade and the environment; developing country issues and interests (Nov. 2014, Nov. 2015).

Commissioned consultant for the India Institute of Foreign Trade, WTO Center: Drafted study on *Alternative Approaches to Multilateral Negotiations at the WTO: Beyond the Single Undertaking* (2013).

Vanuatu National Deep Sea Minerals Stakeholder Consultation Workshop: Invited Participant, assisted in formulating national interests including FDI, taxation, government assistance and other fiscal policy implications of the proposed industry activities (May 2012).

International Center for Trade and Sustainable Development, Geneva: Peer Reviewer for study on “Biofuels Certification and the Law of the World Trade Organization” (Marsha Echols) (2010).

Associate, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, Washington, D.C.: Energy Law practice group: Domestic and international trade matters, shipping issues for LNG, LNG infrastructure development, liability assessment for environmental damages for oil spills (federal and states), antidumping matters (2003-2004).

Sogreah (Environmental engineering and management consulting firm), Paris, France: Consultant: Prepared impact assessment for a proposed environmental tax legislation on flood zones (1999).

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND GUEST LECTURES

A Development-Driven Post WTO World, Fletcher School, Tufts University (July 2019)

Embedded Neoliberalism and its Discontents: The Uncertain Future of Trade and Investment Law, Harvard Law School (April 2018).

Emerging Economies, Developmental Strategies, and Trade Standards: The Search for Alternative Space, Boston University (Sept. 2017).

The Return of State Remedies in Investor State Dispute Settlement: Trends in Developing Countries Loyola University Chicago Law Journal Symposium (April 2017).

Conference co-organizer: ASIL International Economic Law Interest Group Biennial Conference, *co-sponsored by the Institute for International Economic Law at Georgetown University Law Center* (Sept. 2017): 19 panels and keynote address, 80+ presenters, 160+ registrants

Panels Chair: - IEL Lawmaking: Multilateral Dynamics *in memoriam John H. Jackson*

- Rethinking Subsidies, State Aids and Government Assistance, and Incentives

Trade: Boone or Bane? Massachusetts Institute of Technology, International Development Group (Sept. 2016).

Toward more development-friendly and predictable investment protection: post-BIT trends from emerging economies and the future of the system, American Society of International Law Research Forum (American University, Oct. 2015).

Engagement, coopération et compétition: perspectives sur la participation des pays en développement à l'OMC, Faculté de droit de l'Université Laval (Québec, Canada, Sept. 2015).

The Intersection of Trade Law and Consumer Protection, NY City Bar Association, International Trade Committee (Jan. 2015).

Panel Convener and Chair: "Regulation of Corporate Governance: A New Vector for Effective Transnational Labor Standards Enforcement?" International Law Weekend, Fordham University School of Law (Oct. 2014).

Atom versus Bits: Consumer Protection in the (Cyber) Trade Regime, American Society of International Law Annual Meeting, April 2014, published at 108 ASIL PROCEEDINGS 53 (2014).

Are Consumer-Oriented Rules the New Frontier of Trade Liberalization? Georgetown University Law Center (March 2014)

The BRICS' Contributions to the Architecture and Norms of International Economic Law, American Society of International Law Annual Meeting, April 2013, published at 107 ASIL PROCEEDINGS 164 (2013).

Development at the WTO: Looking Beyond the Doha Round (book tour):

- India (2013): Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, Centre for WTO Law, Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICRIER), The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), Jindal Global Law School, Research Centre on International Economic Law, Jodhpur National Law University, University of South Asia
- United Kingdom (2012): Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Cambridge University; London School of Economics
- Vanuatu (2012): University of South Pacific

Protection of marine species under WTO law, University of South Pacific, May 2012 (Port Vila, Vanuatu)

The Massachusetts Interagency Nanotechnology Committee, Workshop on Environmental Policy in Massachusetts, Northeastern University, October 2010 (Boston, MA)

PRESS, INTERVIEWS AND TRADE PUBLICATIONS

- BNA Highlight, *Brazil Develops New Model BIT – Challenge to US Model?*, International Trade Daily Bulletin, June 5, 2015 (with David M. Trubek)

- Boston Public Radio WGBH : "Election 2012: 30 Issues in 30 Days – Trade Policy," Oct. 26, 2012, available at <http://www.wgbhnews.org/post/30-issues-discussion-trade>

- China-Raw Materials: WTO Rules on Chinese Natural Resources Export Dispute, ASIL INSIGHTS, June 19, 2012, available at <http://www.asil.org/insights120619.cfm>

- 3Qs: International Trade Law and the WTO, July 31, 2012, available at <http://www.northeastern.edu/news/2011/03/3q/>

- WERS Boston, public affairs news show "You Are Here": "Global Justice – Today's ICC," July 8, 2012, available at <http://wers.org/2012/07/08/global-justice/>

- 3Qs: Prosecuting Qaddafi is Tricky Business, March 2011, available at <http://www.northeastern.edu/news/2011/03/3q/>

- FERC Works Toward LNG Safety Model for US Ports, LNG OBSERVER (Sept. 2004) (with J. Dweck & S. Sparling), 5 p.
- Understanding Skikda - Deadly LNG Incident Holds Key Lessons For Developers, Regulators, PIPELINE & GAS JOURNAL (May 2004) (with J. Dweck), pp. 39-41.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Society of International Law (ASIL)
 - ASIL Insights Editor (Fall 2016-present)
 - Co-Chair (2015-2017), International Economic Law Interest Group (614 members); Vice-Chair, 2013-15
 - Mentoring Group Leader, Women in International Law Interest Group – 2014-15
 - Vice-Chair, Teaching International Law Interest Group (570 members) – 2011 to 2013
- Peer-reviewer for OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, ROUTLEDGE PRESS and the journals WORLD TRADE REVIEW (Cambridge University Press), FRONTIERS OF LAW IN CHINA (Springer) and TOBACCO CONTROL (British Medical Journal Group)
- Bar Licensures: District of Columbia (admitted 2005) and New York (admitted 2004)

RESEARCH GRANTS

- Co-PI (with Prof. Auroop Ganguly, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Northeastern University School of Law): Research Grant for a collaborative project on the legal and policy implications of extreme climate events modeling in the global climate change context (\$50,000, 2012-2013)
- Center for Emerging Markets, Northeastern University College of Business Administration: Travel grant to investigate Vanuatu's accession to the World Trade Organization (2011-2012)

LANGUAGES

- Bilingual French/English
- Advanced Spanish
- Basic German and Russian

LEGAL TRANSLATION (FRENCH TO ENGLISH)

J. Crawford and A. Pellet (eds.) LCIL/PARIS X – Nanterre THE LAW OF INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (Oxford University Press 2010) (selected chapters).