

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS PROGRAM

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APPLY TO JOIN OUR TEAM

The U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC) invites counterpart agencies around the world to nominate applicants for the FTC International Fellows Program. Fellows are detailed to the FTC for 3-6 months during which they work on a range of competition, consumer protection, or privacy issues.



Acting Chairman Maureen K. Ohlhausen presents certificate to Omar Farooq of the Competition Commission of Pakistan. Also pictured is Michael Shore, Counsel for International Affairs and Manager of International Staff Exchange Programs.

Fellows participate in investigations and enforcement actions with FTC attorneys, investigators, and economists. They gain first-hand experience with how the FTC carries out its enforcement and policy work.

Fellows return to their home agencies able to share what they have learned with their colleagues, apply their experience in their work for their home agencies, and improve cross-border cooperation. The FTC benefits in turn from the insights and experience of the visiting Fellows.



Then-FTC Chairwoman Edith Ramirez presents certificate to Carlos Mena Labarthe, head of the Investigation Authority of Mexico's Federal Economic Competition Commission (COFECE). Also pictured are Russell Damtoft, Associate Director for International Affairs (extreme left) and Michael Shore (extreme right).

Since 2007, we have hosted 71 International Fellows from

- Argentina
- Australia
- Brazil
- Canada
- Chile
- China
- Colombia
- Egypt
- El Salvador
- The European Commission
- France
- Hungary
- Israel
- Japan
- Kazakhstan
- Lithuania
- Mauritius,
- Mexico
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Peru
- Poland
- Saudi Arabia
- Singapore
- South Africa
- South Korea
- Switzerland
- Tanzania
- Turkey
- United Kingdom
- Vietnam
- Zambia

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

"I feel very privileged to have been part of the International Fellows Program, working on health-care and geoscience antitrust investigations. Considering markets much larger than those in my home country enhanced my knowledge of antitrust matters. My experience participating in an 'immediate access' has proved valuable in my current functions.



Kiran Nandinee Meetarbhan of the Competition Commission of Mauritius converses with then-Chairman Jon Leibowitz.

"The Fellows Program is tailored to provide personal and professional growth, with the right mix of duties to enhance investigative and research skills. My six months as a Fellow to a certain extent paved the way for my current position as Executive Director of the Competition Commission of Mauritius."

- Kiran Nandinee Meetarbhan (2014)



Angelo Grieco, Team Leader for Unfair Commercial Practices at the European Commission's Directorate General for Justice (right) with International Fellows Program manager Michael Shore.

"Spending six months in BCP's Division of Advertising Practices has been an extremely enriching experience. I have worked on several investigations from their inception, in various sectors, and become familiar with U.S. law and enforcement practice.

"I've reviewed and assessed evidence, drafted legal analysis and civil investigative demands, and generally participated in all substantive aspects of the matters."

-Angelo Grieco



HOW TO APPLY

Applications should include:

- 1) a nomination letter from the applicant's home agency, summarizing the applicant's role, achievements, and how the Fellowship would benefit the home agency;
- 2) a letter from the applicant describing current duties, what the applicant expects from the Fellows Program, and which FTC organization the applicant would like to join (if known); and
- 3) the applicant's curriculum vitae.

TIMING

Please submit applications at least ten weeks in advance of the desired start date. This gives us time to match prospective Fellows with specific opportunities at the FTC. It will allow Fellows to complete required paperwork, obtain a visa, and arrange travel and housing.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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