Lonely Journey: from Economics to Law and back – Lecture by Prof. Frederic Jenny

Friday, 5th February 2016
Lecture Room 1, Annexe, India International Centre, 40, Max Mueller Marg, New Delhi 110003

The lecture is organized against the background that as a result of deregulation, the development of competition law and trade liberalization, there is an increasing number of economic issues which are now dealt with by the judiciary. This means that a number of legal decisions need not only to be well founded from the legal perspective but also to be economically relevant. Yet in many countries judges are not trained in economic matters, just like many economists are not trained in legal matters.

This raises the question of what can be done to improve the mutual understanding between law and economics and between judges and economists. Professor Jenny, a professor of economics and antitrust enforcer who spent eight years as a judge on the French Supreme Court (Cour de cassation), will address those issues in the light of his experience on the bench and of the experience of the OECD Committee which he chairs.

1800 – 1830hrs  Arrival of Guests and Tea/Coffee

1830 – 1845hrs  Opening Remarks by Pradeep S Mehta, Secretary General, CUTS and Lalit Bhasin, President, Society of Indian Law Firms (SILF)

1845 – 1900hrs  Chair’s Remarks by Justice B.N. Srikrishna, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India

1900 – 1945hrs  Lecture by Prof Frederic Jenny, Chairman, OECD Committee on Competition and Former Judge, French Supreme Court (Cour de Cassation)

1945 – 2005hrs  Distinguished Discussants –
Justice G. S. Singhvi, Chairman, COMPAT
Shri D. K. Sikri, Chairman, Competition Commission of India

2005 – 2030hrs  Q&A

2030hrs  Closing