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Wiley Rein's Robert DeFrancesco Speaks on WTO Panel on Role of Subsidies Contributing to Overcapacity in Steel and Aluminum Markets

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Washington, DC—Robert E. DeFrancesco III, a partner in the International Trade Practice at Wiley Rein LLP, spoke today as part of a panel presentation on “The Role of Subsidies as Contributor to Overcapacity” at the World Trade Organization (WTO) in Geneva. The seminar explored how the WTO Subsidies and Countervailing Measures agreement can be used to better address the overcapacity crisis in steel and aluminum.

Sponsored by the trade missions of the European Union (EU), Canada, Japan, Mexico, and the United States, the program was organized in conjunction with the WTO efforts to support the G20's global call for action in addressing subsidy measures that contribute to the overcapacity crisis.

Other panelists included Karl Tachelet, director at Eurofer (European Steel Association); Markus Taube, professor of East Asian Economic Studies / China at the Mercator School of Management and director of the IN-EAST School of Advanced Studies at the University of Duisburg-Essen; and Mark Wu, assistant professor at Harvard Law School.

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