



# **The Video of the Afronomicslaw Webinar V is Live: Exploring Paths Toward an Ideal US/Kenya FTA for Kenya**

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This webinar focused on what possible directions what the ideal paths lie for a US/Kenya Free Trade Agreement that will benefit Kenya in all the areas it is negotiating with the United States. The experts panelists consider what constraints and possibilities the negotiating framework in the United States means for Kenya's goals in the negotiations. In addition, the experts consider what lessons Kenya can learn from the United States, Mexico and Canada, (USMCA), Free Trade Agreement and how those lessons can translated into positive outcomes for Kenya.

Finally, the experts consider Kenya's commitment to negotiating an FTA that is not only WTO compatible, but also compatible its regional (e.g. African

Continental Free Trade Area Agreement) and sub-regional (e.g. East African Community) commitments. Ultimately, the webinar discuss the extent to which the high stakes negotiations can have a transformative economic role for Kenya, a particularly important goal since the FTA is likely to lay the foundation for future US/Africa trade relations in the post-AGOA era a short five years away.

The [video recording of the Webinar](#) is now live.

## **Panelists**

[Kathleen Claussen](#), Associate Professor of Law, University of Miami School of Law; Former Associate General Counsel at the Office of the US Trade Representative;

[Kholofelo Kugler](#), Advisory Center on WTO Law (ACWL) and Visiting Research Fellow at the University of the Witwatersrand (Wits) School of Law; and

[Alvaro Santos](#), Professor of Law, Georgetown Law School; Deputy Negotiator for Mexico in the US, Mexico, Canada Trade Agreement (July-November 2018).

The Webinar was moderated by [Professor James Thuo Gathii](#), Loyola University of Chicago School of Law; Wing-Tat Lee Chair in International Law & Professor of Law.

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