

## UK government appoints SAI Law & Economics for Trans-Pacific and Mexico trade negotiations

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As UK seeks to shape the country's post-Brexit trading landscape, SAI Law & Economics, S. C. (SAI) will be working with the UK law firm TLT, US firm McDermott Will & Emery, Canada's Borden Ladner Gervais (BLG), to advise the UK's Department for International Trade on two important trade negotiations: a bilateral free trade agreement with Mexico, and the UK's membership in the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) – a plurilateral free trade agreement including Canada, Australia, Brunei, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore and Vietnam.

SAI will head up a selected team of experts, who have acted as advisors and negotiators in several bilateral and multilateral trade negotiations.

According to SAI Law & Economics: “The negotiations launched are crucial in the sense that they will provide continuity of the long-term trade and economic relationship between Mexico and the UK. Providing advice to the UK in this endeavour, SAI seeks to assist in the understanding of Mexico's constitutional and legal framework, and support in achieving the best possible agreement for the economic actors.” Like many other countries, Mexico included, UK takes advice from advisors from the country with which it wants to reach an agreement, to better understand the positions of that country's government and the private sector, which helps to bring the positions closer together.

Founded in 1995, SAI is a consulting firm that offers legal, economic, and financial consulting services with an inter-disciplinary approach, to provide advice to domestic and foreign enterprises/ governments on, among other, negotiation, implementation and use of free trade agreements and bilateral investment treaties, as well as on their legal protection and dispute resolution under such agreements.