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**International Economic Organizations**

**Exam Questions**

**1005**

Topic 1: Introduction to International Economic Organizations and Mainstream Theories

1. Explain three views on ontology: international organizations as an actor, forum and resource?
2. What are the obligations, compliance and enforcement regarding international organizations?
3. Explain the distinctive features of main types of international organizations?
4. What are the nature, creation and the role of international organizations in Realist theory?
5. What are the nature and the role of international organizations in Liberalism?

Topic 2: Critical Theories and Approaches to International Economic Organizations

1. Explain the major characteristics of critical theories and approaches to IGOs?
2. What are the main assumptions of Marxist theory?
3. How do Marxist theorists view the role of international organizations?
4. What are the influences on Feminist theory and the gender issues regarding IGOs?
5. Explain the Constructivist approach and its important contributions to the study of international organizations?

Topic 3: The United Nations Organization (UN)

1. Explain the formation process of the United Nations Organization?
2. Explain the functions of the main organs of the UN?
3. What are the obligations of the UN member states?
4. Explain the compliance of the UN member states?
5. Which enforcement mechanisms does the UN have concerning its members?

Topic 4: The United Nations Organization (UN)

1. What are the primary UN adaptations after the humanitarian crises of the 1990s?
2. Explain the effectiveness of the UN in the context of the Cases of Goldstone Report and Cholera in Haiti?
3. Explain the roles of UNCTAD and UNDP relating to the development issues?
4. Explain the Sustainable Development Goals regarding economic growth, industry, infrastructure and inequality?
5. What are the major criticisms relating to the SDGs by mainstream and critical theorists?

Topic 5: The International Monetary Fund (IMF)

1. Explain the history of establishment of the International Monetary Fund?
2. What are the purpose and main functions of International Monetary Fund?
3. Explain the organizational structure and governance of IMF?
4. What are the IMF quota, SDR and conditionality?
5. Explain one of the main functions of IMF- capacity development in detail?

Topic 6: The International Monetary Fund (IMF)

1. Explain the IMF`s support to low-income countries (LICs) in detail?
2. What are the obligations and compliance of the IMF member states?
3. Explain enforcement mechanisms of the IMF concerning its members and the Case of Argentina?
4. Explain the role of the IMF in Greek financial crisis and the views of mainstream and critical theorists about this issue?
5. Explain the critical evaluation of IMF policies?

Topic 7: The World Bank (WB)

1. Explain the history of the World Bank?
2. Explain the World Bank`s new strategy?
3. Explain the organizational structure and governance of the World Bank?
4. What are the obligations and compliance of the WB member states?
5. Explain enforcement tools of the World Bank concerning its members?

Topic 8: The World Bank (WB)

1. Explain in detail conditionality of the World Bank?
2. What are the main activities of The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)?
3. Explain The International Development Association (IDA) in detail?
4. What are the activities of International Finance Corporation (IFC) and The Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA)?
5. Explain in detail the areas of the criticism regarding the World Bank?

Topic 9: The World Trade Organization (WTO)

1. What are the purpose and main functions of The World Trade Organization?
2. Explain in detail the obligations of the WTO member states?
3. What are the compliances of the WTO members?
4. Explain enforcement mechanisms of the WTO regarding its members?
5. Explain the effectiveness of the WTO in the context of the Case of Shrimp-Turtle and other areas of criticism concerning the WTO?

Topic 10: The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

1. Explain the history of the OECD?
2. What are the objective and main functions of the OECD?
3. Explain the organizational structure and governance of the OECD?
4. Explain the OECD Better Life Initiative in detail?
5. What were the main activities of the OECD in financial and economic crises?

Topic 11: Regional Economic Organizations: the Europian Union (EU), the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)

1. Explain legal framework and key institutions of the European Union (EU)?
2. Explain the reasons, current situation regarding the Brexit and its influence on the future of the EU in detail?
3. What are the simultaneous challenges that the European Union currently faces?
4. Explain the emergence process, objectives and major achievements in the initial period of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) history?
5. Explain current effectiveness of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)?

Topic 12: Regional Economic Organizations: Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)

* + - 1. What are the political origins of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), evolution and achievements of the ASEAN Economic Community?
      2. What are the challenges and future directions of the ASEAN?
      3. Explain the history of North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), goals and key provisions of this agreement?
      4. Explain the impact of NAFTA on the economies of member countries and the major areas of cooperation?
      5. Explain NAFTA renegotiations and proposed USMCA in detail?

Topic 13: Azerbaijan and International Economic Organizations

* + - 1. Explain the cooperation between Azerbaijan and the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

1. Explain the relations between Azerbaijan and the World Bank (WB)?
2. What are the main features of projects of cooperation between Azerbaijan and the European Union (EU)?
3. Explain the advantages of membership to the World Trade Organization (WTO) for Azerbaijan?
4. What are the disadvantages of accession to the World Trade Organization (WTO) for Azerbaijan?

Topic 14: Informal International Organizations

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1. Explain in detail the role of G-20 in international economic cooperation?
2. What are the functions of Paris Club and London Club?
3. Explain historical background and role of G-7?
4. Explain the roles of the Rome Club and the World Economic Forum as informal international organizations?

Topic 15: Perspectives on Global Governance

* + - 1. What are the perspectives on global governance from the point of view of Realists?

1. Explain the thoughts of Liberalists on the future of global governance?
2. What are the prospects on global governance according to the Marxist point of view?
3. Explain the ideas of Feminists on the future of global governance?
4. What are the perspectives on global governance according to Constructivists?