



Conference Programme
40th CATA Annual Technical Conference 2019
11 – 14 November 2019
The Wembley - A St. Giles Hotel, Penang, Malaysia

“ADDRESSING THE SHADOW ECONOMY AND DIGITALISATION IN SECURING REVENUE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”

Sunday, 10 November 2019		
TIME	EVENT	VENUE
09:00 – 17:00	Arrival & Registration	Foyer - Wembley Grand Ballroom
17:30 – 20:00	Welcome Mocktail	<i>The Top Penang, 68th Floor, Komtar, Penang</i>

Monday, 11 November 2019 (Day 1)		
08:15 – 10:30	<p><u>Opening Ceremony</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arrival of Guests / Delegates / Deputy CEO IRBM - Arrival of ED CATA / CEO IRBM / Chairman CATA / President CATA - Arrival of The Honourable Minister of Finance Malaysia - National Anthem - Opening Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Duncan Onduru Executive Director of CATA • Mr Visvanath Das Chairman of CATA - Welcome Address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dato' Sri Dr Sabin Samitah CEO of Inland Revenue Board Malaysia - Opening Address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Honourable Mr. Lim Guan Eng Finance Minister of Malaysia - Vote of Thanks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Sudhamo Lal President of CATA - Photography Session 	<p>Wembley Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Level 10</p>
10:30 – 11:00	AM Coffee / Tea Break	

Monday, 11 November 2019 (Day 1) (cont'd)

Topic 1: Digitalisation in Taxation

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
11:00 – 11:40	<p>Keynote Address: Addressing the Shadow Economy and Digitalisation in Securing Revenue for Sustainable Development</p> <p>Speaker: Mr Pascal Saint-Amans Director, OECD Centre for Tax Policy and Administration OECD</p>	
11:40 – 12:40	<p>Session 1: Digitalisation - Challenging the Fundamentals of Taxation</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Geoff Trueman Assistant Commissioner – Legislative Policy & Regulatory Affairs Branch Canada Revenue Agency</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Datuk Noor Azian Abdul Hamid Deputy CEO (Policy) Inland Revenue Board Malaysia • Mr Christopher Sanger Global Government & Risk Tax Leader, Tax Policy Leader, EMEIA Tax Centre UK & Ireland, Ernst & Young 	<p align="center">Wembley Grand Ballroom Level 10</p>
12:40 – 13:00	<p>Presentation from China: Accelerating Digitalisation of Taxation Transformation and Assisting Modernisation of Tax Administration</p> <p>Speaker: Mr Wang Lujin Deputy Commissioner State Taxation Administration of P.R. China</p>	
13:00 – 14:15	Networking Lunch	
14:15 – 15:30	<p>Session 2: Taxing the Digital Economy - Recent Developments</p> <p>Moderator: Ms Charity Mosweu Director, Information Technology Botswana Unified Revenue Service</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Andrew Auerbach Senior Tax Advisor, OECD Centre for Tax Policy and Administration Jakarta Office • Ms Yong Sing Yuan Tax Director Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore 	<p align="center">Wembley Grand Ballroom Level 10</p>

Monday, 11 November 2019 (Day 1) (cont'd)

Topic 1: Digitalisation in Taxation

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
15:30 – 16:30	<p>Session 3: Digitalisation - Opportunities for Tax Administration</p> <p>Moderator: Datuk Mohd Nizom Sairi Deputy CEO (Tax Operations) Inland Revenue Board Malaysia</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prof Dr Jeffrey Owens Director of the WU Global Tax Policy Center, Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law, Vienna• Ms Leli Listianawati Deputy Director of Tax Treaty and International Operation Directorate General of Taxes, Indonesia	Wembley Grand Ballroom Level 10
16:30 – 17:00	PM Coffee / Tea Break	
20:00 – 22:30	Welcoming Dinner	<i>The Eastern & Oriental Hotel, Penang</i>

Tuesday, 12 November 2019 (Day 2)		
TIME	EVENT	VENUE
Topic 2: Shadow Economy – Issues and Challenges		
08:30 – 09:30	<p>Session 4: Shadow Economy: An Overview</p> <p>Moderator: Ms Roza Mbilizi Deputy Commissioner General Malawi Revenue Authority</p> <p>Speaker: Prof Dr Victor van Kommer Tax Services Director International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation</p> <p>Panellist: Ms Champawatee Gunnoo Director, Medium & Small Taxpayer Mauritius Revenue Authority</p>	Wembley Grand Ballroom
09:30 – 10:30	<p>Session 5: Drivers and Impact of Shadow Economy</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Andrew Evans CATA Senior Leadership Programme Director HM Revenue and Customs</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Andrew Minto IMF Lead Resident Revenue Administration Advisor, International Monetary Fund • Mr Mohd Shahfizan Md Salleh Director, Special Operation Department Inland Revenue Board Malaysia 	Level 10
10:30 – 11:00	AM Coffee / Tea Break	
11:00 – 12:00	<p>Session 6: Strategies for Managing the Shadow Economy - The Role of Tax Administrators and Tax Practitioners</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Cyriacus Chijioke Ekechi Coordinating Director Federal Inland Revenue Service, Nigeria</p> <p>Speaker: Mr Jon Swerdlow Transparency Lead Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs Capacity Building Unit</p> <p>Panellist: Dr Veerinderjeet Singh Non-Executive Chairman Axcelasia Inc., Singapore</p>	<p>Wembley Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Level 10</p>

Tuesday, 12 November 2019 (Day 2) (cont'd)		
TIME	EVENT	VENUE
Topic 2: Shadow Economy – Issues and Challenges		
12:00 – 13:00	<p>Session 7: Country Experiences in Tackling the Shadow Economy</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Jude Devapriya Senior Commissioner of Inland Revenue Sri Lanka</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Visvanath Das Chief Executive Officer Fiji Revenue and Custom Service • Ms Elizabeth Meyo Commissioner of Domestic Taxes Kenya Revenue Authority 	<p>Wembley Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Level 10</p>
13:00 – 14:30	<p>Networking Lunch - <i>Presentation of mementos (for Special Invited Guests)</i></p>	
14:30 – 16:00	<p>Heads of Delegation Meeting (for CATA members) - <i>Presentation of mementos</i></p>	<p>Wembley Room 10 Level 9</p>
16:00 – 17:00	Management Committee Meeting	<p>Wembley Room 10 Level 9</p>
14:30 – 16:30	Syndicate Group Discussions (Parallel Session)	
	Topic 1: Digitalisation in Taxation	
	<p>Group 1: Barriers of Digitalisation Chairperson: Mr Henry Saka Commissioner, Domestic Taxes Uganda Revenue Authority</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr Kevin Mifsud Director Investigation and Compliance, Commissioner for Revenue, Malta</p>	<p>Wembley Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Level 10</p>

Tuesday, 12 November 2019 (Day 2) (cont'd)			
TIME	EVENT	VENUE	
Topic 2: Shadow Economy – Issues and Challenges			
14:30 – 16:30	<p>Group 2: The Strategies in Digitalisation of Tax Administration</p> <p>Chairperson: Mr Francisco Beiner Director, Institutional Management & Operations, Inter-American Center of Tax Administrations</p> <p>Rapporteur: Dr Mohd Arif Romli Principle Assistant Director Inland Revenue Board Malaysia</p>	<p>Wembley Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Level 10</p>	
	<p>Group 3: Taxation of the Digital Economy</p> <p>Chairperson: Mr Ebou Jallow Deputy Commissioner Tax Audit, The Gambia Revenue Authority</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr Mark Conrod, Senior International Relations Advisor Canada Revenue Authority</p>	<p>Wembley Room 5</p> <p>Level 9</p>	
	Topic 2: Shadow Economy – Issues and Challenges		
	<p>Group 4: Shadow Economy and Taxes</p> <p>Chairperson: Mr George Muragiri Deputy Commissioner Kenya Revenue Authority</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr Okon Edet Okon Executive Chairman Akwa Ibom State Internal Revenue</p>	<p>Wembley Room 7</p> <p>Level 9</p>	

Tuesday, 12 November 2019 (Day 2) (cont'd)		
TIME	EVENT	VENUE
Topic 2: Shadow Economy – Issues and Challenges		
14:30 – 16:30	Syndicate Group Discussions (Parallel Session)	
	<p>Group 5: Strategies in Tackling Shadow Economy</p> <p>Chairperson: Datuk Harpal Singh Dhillon Asia-Oceania Tax Consultant Association</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr Jafni Hashim Director Tax Audit Policy and Supervision Inland Revenue Board Malaysia</p>	<p>Wembley Room 8</p> <p>Level 9</p>
	<p>Group 6: Cross Border Shadow Economy and Digitalisation</p> <p>Chairperson: Dr Nik Abdullah Sani Nik Mohamed Director of Large Taxpayer's Branch Inland Revenue Board Malaysia</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr Ted Silkiluwasha AG Deputy Commissioner Tax Investigation Operations Tanzania Revenue Authority</p>	<p>Wembley Room 9</p> <p>Level 9</p>
16:30 – 17:00	PM Coffee / Tea Break	
	Free Evening	

Wednesday, 13 November 2019 (Day 3)		
Excursion Programme		
TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30 – 08:45	Depart from Hotel	Hotel Lobby The Wembley
09:45 – 12:30	Visit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arrival at The Penang Hill Funicular Railway (Lower Station) - Train Ride – Lower Station to Upper Station - Skywalk - The Habitat, Penang Hill - Souvenir Shop 	Penang Hill
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	<i>The Curtis Crest, The Habitat, Penang Hill</i>
13:45 – 14:15	Train Ride – Upper Station to Lower Station	Penang Hill
14:45 – 15:30	Depart to Hotel	Hotel Lobby The Wembley

Thursday, 14 November 2019 (Day 4)		
TIME	EVENT	VENUE
	Syndicate Group Presentations	
	Topic 1: Digitalisation in Taxation	
09:15 – 09:25	Group 1: Barriers of Digitalisation	Wembley Grand Ballroom Level 10
09:25 – 09:35	Group 2: The Strategies in Digitalisation of Tax Administration	
09:35 – 09:45	Group 3: Taxation of the Digital Economy	
	Topic 2: Shadow Economy – Issues and Challenges	
09:45 – 09:55	Group 4: Shadow Economy and Taxes	Wembley Grand Ballroom Level 10
09:55 – 10:05	Group 5: Strategies in Tackling Shadow Economy	
10:05 – 10:15	Group 6: Cross Border Shadow Economy and Digitalisation	
10:15 – 10:30	Evaluation Questionnaire	
10:30 – 11:00	AM Coffee / Tea Break	

Thursday, 14 November 2019 (Day 4) (cont'd)

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
11:00 – 11:30	2020 Host Presentation – Special Presentation (by CATA 2020 Host - Cyprus)	Wembley Grand Ballroom Level 10
11:30 – 12:30	<p><u>Closing Ceremony</u></p> <p>Statement of Outcome:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Duncan Onduru, Executive Director of CATA <p>Closing Remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dato' Sri Dr Sabin Samitah, CEO of IRBM • Mr Sudhamo Lal, President of CATA 	
12:30 – 14:00	Networking Lunch	
14:00 – 17:00	CATA Night Rehearsal	
17:00 – 17:30	PM Coffee / Tea Break	
20:00 – 22:30	CATA Night (Farewell Dinner)	Wembley Grand Ballroom Level 10