

Building stronger partnerships to fight tax-related illicit financial flows

1st NTO Technical Conference Agenda







DAY ONE: TUESDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2021 "International developments and existing challenges"

14:30 – 14:40 Introduction

Moderation by Dr. Melinda Crane | Deutsche Welle

14:40 – 15:00 High-level opening remarks

- Dr. Maria Flachsbarth | Parliamentary State Secretary to the Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany
- Ruud de Mooij | Advisor to the Immediate Office of the Fiscal Affairs Department, IMF
- African Union Representative | (tbc)
- Carlos Lopes | Professor at the Mandela School of Public Governance, University of Capetown
- Irene Ovonji-Odida | Advocate and Member of the UN FACTI High Level Panel and the AU/ECA High Level Panel on Illicit Financial Flows from Africa
- **15:00 15:30**

Welcome by the NTO Council

Márcio Ferreira Verdi | Head of the NTO Council and CIAT Executive Secretary

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15:30 - 15:45

Break

15:45 – 17:00

Opening Panel: Tax administrations in the fight against IFFs - a first high-level overview Moderator: Dr. Melinda Crane | Deutsche Welle

Keynote speech

Prof. Attiya Waris | UN Independent Expert on Foreign Debt and Human Rights

Panelists

- Godfrey Baloyi | Head of Criminal & Illicit Economic Activities, South African Revenue Service
- Marcos Roca | Tax and Crime Adviser at the OECD
- Simen Bjørnerud | Senior Adviser at the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation
- Brig. Gen. Giuseppe Arbore | Head of Operations Department, Guardia di Finanza, Italy
- Agnes Asabola Nabwire | AG Commissioner for Tax Investigation, Uganda Revenue Authority
- **17:00 17:15**

Break

17:15 – 18:15

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The role of beneficial ownership in combating tax crimes

Discussion leader

Ridha Hamzaoui | Principal Research Associate at the International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation (IBFD)

Speakers

- Ljubinka Andonovska | Expert in Beneficial ownership Registration, Central Register of the Republic of North Macedonia
- Lotfi Bouchaala | Head of the International Exchange of Information Unit at DGI, Tunisia
- Daphne Bakae | Principal Investigator, Anti-Money Laundering Department, Botswana
- Mabifi Mabengane | Principal Investigation Officer, Compliance Department, Botswana

Financing of terrorism, money laundering and tax evasion: What is the effective response from tax administrations?

Discussion leader

Cléber Homem da Silva | Head of the Research and Investigation Office in Rio de Janeiro, RFB, Brazil

Speakers

- Col. t.ISSMI Claudio Petrozziello | Head of the Information Coordination Office of Guardia di Finanza, Italy
- Stephan Robinson | Special Agent and Senior Analyst at IRS Criminal Investigation, USA
- Izazi Mubarok | Head of Tax Forensics Section I, Directorate General of Taxes, Indonesia

End of Day One





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Plenary session: How can international cooperation contribute to combating IFFs? Moderation by Dr. Melinda Crane | Deutsche Welle

Panelists

- Muazu Umar | Director of the Inter-Governmental Action Group against Money Laundering in West Africa
- Philip Mensah | Deputy Commissioner at the Ghana Revenue Authority
- Abd Muiz Kamaludin | Director of the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia
- Chenai Chido Mukumba | Policy Research and Advocacy Manager at the Tax Justice Network Africa
- Rusudan Kemularia | Head of the Tax Inspectors Without Borders Secretariat

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Break

16:10 – 17:10

International cooperation: Cooperation between tax administrations

Discussion leader

Sameera Khan| Head of Technical Assistance at the African Tax Administration Forum

Speakers

- Robert Thomson | Australian Taxation Office Delegate to the OECD
- Tom Gardiner | Leader of Competent Authority at Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs Offshore Intelligence, UK
- María Pilar Jurado Borrego | Director of Customs and Tax Department of the Agencia Estatal de Administración Tributaria (AEAT), Spain

Regional and national cooperation: **Cooperation between tax administrations** and other institutions

Discussion leader

Elfrieda Tamba I Former Commissioner General, Liberia Revenue Authority

Speakers

- Dr. Abubakar Nacanabo | Head of Large Companies' Tax Audit Unit at the Direction Générale des Impôts, Burkina Faso
- Biola Shotunde | Associate Director at the Nigerian Financial Intelligence Unit
- Hans Petter Tetmo | Senior Adviser for Tax Crimes, Norwegian Tax Administration

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Break

17:20 – 18:20

Digital tools for tackling tax fraud, evasion and other tax-related IFFs.

Discussion leader

Raul Zambrano | Director Technical Assistance and Information Technology and Communication Director, CIAT Executive Secretariat

Speakers

- Roberto Ramos | Director of the Large Taxpayer Directorate at the Honduran Tax Administration
- Miriam Guzman | Head of the Executive Directorate at the Honduran Tax Administration
- Simon Lowndes | Assistant Director at the Risk & Intelligence Service, Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, UK

Enforcement of tax compliance in the digital space

Discussion leader

Massimo Morarelli | IInternational Tax Expert at the Intra-European Organisation of Tax Administrations (IOTA)

Speakers

- Vanessa Bianchini | Tax official of the Analysis and Strategy Division, Antifraud Unit, Italian Revenue Agency
- Renaud Rodenas | Deputy Head of the VAT Fraud Division and Coordinator of the Eurofisc WF5 VAT Fraud in E-Commerce, French Tax Administration
- Fernando J. Barraza Luengo | Comissioner, Internal Revenue Service (SII) of Chile

■ End of Day Two





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● 14.40 – 15:40 Plenary session: Critical areas in the current methods of combating economic and financial crimes

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Panelists

- Biagio Carrese | Director of the Criminal Investigations Division at the Canada Revenue Agency
- Marcos Roca | Tax and Crime Adviser at the OECD
- Sandro Maia Leão | Tax and Customs Inspector & Criminal Investigator at the Portuguese Tax and Customs Authority
- Dra. Verónica Grondona | Director of the Directorate of International Taxation Financing at the Public Revenues Federal Administration, Argentina
- Jennifer Boncore | Head of Division for Strategic Coordination and Money Laundering/ Financing of Terrorism, Public Revenues Federal Administration, Argentina
- **15:40 15:55**

Break

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Plenary session: International development efforts in ensuring developing countries' access to global tax initiatives

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- Zayda Manatta | Head of Secretariat at Global Forum on Transparency and Exchange of Information for Tax Purposes, OECD
- Matafeo Avalisa Viali Fautua'alii | Chief Executive Officer at the Ministry of Customs & Revenue, Samoa
- Koni Ravono | Head of Secretariat at the Pacific Islands Tax Administrators Association
- Miroslav Palansky | Data Scientist at the Tax Justice Network
- Annet Oguttu | Professor in the Department of Taxation, University of Pretoria
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Break

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Closing panel: Role of the NTO and tax organizations in the fight against tax-related IFFs and in strengthening international cooperation

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Panelists

- Logan Wort | Executive Secretary at the African Tax Administration Forum
- Isaác Gonzalo Arias Esteban | International Cooperation & Taxation Director at the Inter-American Center of Tax Administrations
- Catherine Lemesle | Secretary General at the Exchange and Research Centre for Leaders of Tax Administrations
- Erica Gerretsen | Acting Director at DG INTPA, European Commission
- Jeneba J. Bangura | Deputy Commissioner General at the National Revenue Authority-Sierra Leone, Co-Chair of the Addis Tax Initiative

Closing remarks by panellists

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