

Panel discussion 5 - What priorities for the Addis Tax Initiative post-2020?

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Day 3, 11:40 – 13:15

Background

With its unique and inclusive setup of partner countries, development partners and supporting organisations, the Addis Tax Initiative (ATI) has provided since its creation a multi-stakeholder partnership enabling partner countries to increasingly rely on domestic revenues to fund their development agendas and attain the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. As the commitments set in the context of the Addis Tax Initiative are meant to be achieved by 2020, it makes good sense to plan for the continuation of focused efforts within the ATI beyond 2020.

Accordingly, this panel aims at exploring what could be (i) new objectives for an agreed period beyond 2020 and (ii) the way to get there. Starting this debate now will help ensure that a clear agreement is reached before the end of the current five-year.

Based on the ATI midterm review's recommendations and the input gathered throughout the two days of the conference, panelists will discuss what should be the priority areas for the Initiative after 2020, in order to best reflect changing priorities in the international tax and development landscape.

The results of this session as well as the recommendations of the ATI evaluation report will serve as basis for discussion for the workshop of the ATI 2020 Task Force which will take place in the afternoon of the third conference day.

Intended outcomes

- The main findings of the ATI midterm evaluation report have been presented and discussed;
- Attention has been brought to a number of key themes highlighted during the conference and how these could be tackled in the context of the ATI post-2020;
- Input has been gathered on future modes of collaboration, timelines, possible commitments as well as ideas to enhance ownership on DRM issues in the context of the ATI post-2020.

Moderator

Monika Jones

Speakers

1. Gabriela HOVEN, Director General at the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
2. Essa JALLOW, Deputy Commissioner The Gambia Revenue Authority
3. Samrita SIDHU, Deputy Director of the Public Finance and Tax (PFT) department at the Department for International Development (DFID)
4. Marcio VERDI, Head of Council, Network of Tax Organisations (NTO) and Executive Secretary, Inter-American Center of Tax Administrations (CIAT)
5. Marijn VERHOEVEN, Head of the Global Tax Team and Lead Economist, World Bank Group