

**ITC/ATI Tax and Development Conference
14-16 June, Berlin/Germany**

Agenda

13 June (Tues)

Arrival

From 16:00 Registration
18:30 – 20:30 Welcoming Cocktail

14 June (Wed)

Day 1 – International Support to DRM

08:00 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 10:00 **Opening of the conference**
Opening remarks, followed by a signing ceremony between the European Commission, the BMZ and the GIZ on enhanced cooperation with regards to the ITC

Hans-Peter Baur, Deputy Director-General, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany
Erica Gerretsen, Head of Unit, DG International Cooperation and Development (DEVCO), European Commission

Host of the opening session: Mike Falke, Head of Section, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

10:00 – 10:15 Introduction to the conference programme

10:15– 10:45 Launch of 2015 ATI Baseline Monitoring Report and the DRM Database
Jasmin Froehling, Coordinator International Tax Compact

10:45-11:00 Group picture

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 **Panel discussion 1: Towards fulfilling the ATI Commitments by 2020: Taking stock**
Are we well prepared to fulfil the ATI Commitments until 2020?

Marine Khurtsidze, Head of International Taxation Division, Ministry of Finance, Georgia
Steven Rozner, Senior Fiscal Advisor, USAID
Logan Wort, Executive Secretary, ATAF
Marijn Verhoeven, Lead Economist and Cluster Lead Tax, Global Tax Team, World Bank
Siphokazi Mthathi, Executive Director, Oxfam South Africa

Moderation: Mark Hallerberg, Professor of Public Management and Political Economy, Hertie School of Governance

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 16:00

Breakout session I: Towards fulfilling the ATI Commitments by 2020

How do we want to fulfil the ATI commitments until 2020?

Group Discussions:

- A. DRM reforms in partner countries
Moderation: Marine Khurtsidze (Georgia)
- B. Aid effectiveness of development cooperation in the area of DRM
Moderation: Marijn Verhoeven (World Bank)
- C. Enhanced coordination of development partners
Moderation: Hubert Perr (European Commission)
- D. South-South cooperation
Moderation: Elfrieda Stewart Tamba (Liberia)
- E. Measuring progress in DRM reform
Moderation: Victoria Perry (IMF)
- F. Ensuring policy coherence for development
Moderation: Wiebe Anema (Netherlands)

16:00-16:30

Coffee break

16:30– 18:00

Presentation / Sharing of results from Breakout sessions I

Moderators & rapporteurs from Breakout sessions I

18:15

Boat cruise with dinner

15 June (Thurs) Day 2 – Stepping up DRM in partner Countries

09:00 – 9:15 Introduction Day 2

09:15 – 10:45 **Panel discussion 2: Priority DRM topics in partner countries**
What are the current DRM priorities in partner countries? And what kind of support is needed?

Modeste Fatoing Mopa, Director General, Directorate General of Taxes, Cameroon
Dr Marta Beatriz González Ayala, Deputy Minister, State Secretariat of Taxation, Ministry of Finance, Paraguay
Ben Dickinson, Head of Global Relations and Development Division, OECD
Duncan Onduru, Executive Director, Commonwealth Association of Tax Administrators
David Nguyen-Thanh, Head Competence Centre Public Finance and Administration, GIZ
Moderation: Nara Monkam, Director Research, African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF)

10:45 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 13:00 Breakout sessions II:
Priority DRM topics in partner countries: Getting practical

1. Use of ICT for taxing the informal economy: Opportunities and challenges
Moderation: Thulani Shongwe (ATAF)
2. Integrity in tax administration: The way forward
Moderation: Alejandro Juarez (CIAT)
3. Topics in international taxation: Partner country perspectives
Moderation: Jan de Goede (IBFD)
4. Tax certainty, tax incentives, tax exemptions: Attracting private sector investment
Moderation: Christian von Haldenwang (DIE German Development Institute)
5. More revenues for more development: Linking DRM with public expenditure management, accountability and control mechanisms
Moderation: Helen Haile (GIZ)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 16:00 **Market place**
The market place will provide all stakeholders a chance to discuss opportunities for collaboration, but also to share success stories, good practices and lessons learnt.

Coffee break included in session

16:00 – 17:00 **Open Space**
The open space allows participants to meet in smaller groups or to organise their own session to present or discuss specific issues of interest.

UN Tax Committee:	Donor meeting
Save the Children:	Increasing Civil Society's Role in ATI at the County Level
IMF:	Building Fiscal Capacity in Fragile States
International Tax Compact:	Regional tax networks meeting (on invitation only)
IBFD:	Topics in international taxation
D.I.E.	Research in the field of taxation

17:00 – 18:30 ATAF Donor Meeting

16 June (Fri)

Day 3 – Ensuring Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development

09:00 – 09:15

Introduction Day 3

09:15 – 10:45

Panel discussion 3: Tax aspects of donor-financed projects

What are the pros and cons of seeking tax exemptions for ODA-funded projects? What are the consequences for partner countries? How to determine the appropriate tax treatment of donor-financed projects?

Jacques Sasseville, UNDESA Financing for Development Office

Liselott Kana, Head of Department of International Taxation, Internal Revenue Service, Chile

Olav Lundstøl, Policy Director Tax and capital flight, NORAD

Moderation: Victoria Perry, Assistant Director Fiscal Affairs Department, IMF

10:45 – 11:15

Coffee break

11:15 – 12:45

Panel discussion 4: Looking ahead

What do we take out of the conference? How can the ATI be developed further for the benefit of all members? What do we want to have achieved until the next ITC/ATI Conference 2019 and what are next steps?

Elfrieda Stewart-Tamba, Commissioner General, Liberia Revenue Authority

Dominic Bourcier, Deputy Director, Global Affairs Canada

Hubert Perr, Head of Sector Domestic Revenue Mobilisation, European Commission

Marine Khurtsidze, Head Of The International Taxation Division, Ministry of Finance, Georgia

Moderation:

Steven Rozner, Senior Fiscal Advisor, USAID

12:45 – 13:00

Closing of the conference

Closing remarks

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch