

About us

The International Tax Compact (ITC) facilitates results-oriented initiatives in the area of tax and development, and supports them in meeting their objectives. It fosters networking, knowledge sharing and multi-level cooperation within and across the initiatives towards financing sustainable development. The guiding principles of the ITC' consist of being inclusive, impartial, demand-driven, complementary and global. Each of these principles accompanies the vision of the ITC to persevere in building fair, efficient and transparent tax systems for sustainable development.

The German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) launched the ITC in 2009 as a development policy initiative to improve domestic revenue mobilisation (DRM) in partner countries through international consultation, cooperation and knowledge sharing in the area of tax development. BMZ commissioned the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH to implement the ITC.

Three main functions

- **Providing secretarial services:** The ITC facilitates three international initiatives and networks by providing them with secretarial services. In doing so, the ITC is engaged in network and project management, strategy and concept development, communication and outreach, event management, knowledge management, and facilitation.
- **Building networks:** The ITC acts as a networker between the initiatives that are facilitated by the ITC and other organisations in the area of tax and development. It identifies synergies and promotes cross-linkages among these initiatives, along with other networking opportunities, to enable the scaling-up of activities and to increase their impact. By establishing networks between different initiatives, the ITC also ensures that the initiatives it facilitates are linked to the international discourse. The ITC further links the initiatives it facilitates to programmes working in the area of tax and development, thereby creating the potential for co-creating meaning with those programmes.
- **Acting as an incubator:** If interest is expressed by stakeholders, the ITC also acts as an incubator for new initiatives. The ITC provides logistical and advisory support from visioning to implementation, and assists in the institutionalisation of new initiatives, including by establishing governance structures and business procedures.

Three international initiatives



Addis Tax Initiative (ATI): The ATI is a partnership of like-minded countries and organisations united by the vision of tax systems that work for people and advance the Sustainable Development Goals. It aims to promote fair and effective DRM, policy coherence and the social contract through partnerships and knowledge building. The ATI plays an essential role in fostering collective action to improve tax systems in light of recognised gaps in development finance. To date, the initiative accounts for 25 partner countries, 20 development partners and 18 supporting organisations. For more information, please refer to www.addistaxinitiative.net.



Network of Tax Organisations (NTO): The NTO is a network of nine regional and international organisations of revenue administrations that aims to develop and promote effective tax systems to contribute to the well-being of all people. Its main objective is to act as a global platform for exchange of experiences, knowledge and best practices on tax administration matters. It focuses on fostering the capacity development of its members, enhancing internal collaboration among its members and ensuring representation of NTO members' interests in international fora. For more information, please refer to www.nto.tax.



DRM Innovation Fund: The DRM Innovation Fund aims to enhance DRM by providing support for piloting short-term innovative projects in selected African countries. Innovation in this context is viewed broadly by the Fund as developing new solutions and approaches to tackle persistent problems related to revenue mobilisation. This may also include adapting approaches and practices used in other regions, sectors or industries and applying them to the context of DRM. For more information, please refer to www.drm-innovation.fund.

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