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Netherlands

## **Tentative Programme of the Conference**

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**Thursday, 2 July 2015**

**Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Hague, the Netherlands**

08:15 – 09:00: Registration of participants; reception with coffee and tea (until 8:45).

#### **09:00 – 10:45: Plenary opening session**

Conference room: Max van der Stoel auditorium.

09:00 – 09:05: Participants are requested to be seated in the conference room.

09:05 – 09:15: Opening by Marnix van Rij, Chairman of the Conference.  
Senior Tax Partner, Ernst & Young Belastingadviseurs LLP.

09:15 – 09:35: Presentation by Lilianne Ploumen, Dutch Minister for Foreign Trade and Development  
Co-operation and Co-Chair of the Global Partnership for Effective Development  
Co-operation.

09:35 – 09:45: Q&As with Minister Ploumen, moderated by the Chairman of the Conference.

09:45 – 10:05: Presentation by Pascal Saint-Amans, Director, OECD Centre for Tax Policy and  
Administration.

10:05 – 10:15: Q&As with Mr. Saint-Amans, moderated by the Chairman of the Conference.

10:15 – 10:45: Award ceremony of the Tax Transparency Benchmark 2015, introduced by Giuseppe  
van der Helm, Executive Director, Dutch Association of Investors for Sustainable  
Development.

#### **10:45 – 11:15: Coffee Break.**





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**11:15 – 12:50 Plenary Session “Ensuring a sound tax base in developing countries: Are the current international initiatives sufficient?”**

Conference room: Max van der Stoel auditorium.

*Tilburg University has prepared a conference paper to facilitate discussion during this session.*

Each speaker will introduce two statements or solutions at the end of his/her presentation. The audience will be invited to vote on these by SMS to the following phone number: 0031642500030. At the end of the session there will be revotes.

11:15 - 11:30: Introduction of the session and the panelists, followed by a presentation of the moderator Professor Eric Kemmeren, Professor of International Taxation and International Tax Law at the Fiscal Institute Tilburg of Tilburg University in the Netherlands.

11:30 - 11:45: Presentation by Ruud de Mooij, Deputy Division Chief Tax Policy Division, Fiscal Affairs Department, International Monetary Fund.

11:45 – 12:00: Presentation by Jan Loeprick, Private Sector Development Specialist, Trade & Competitiveness Global Practice, World Bank Group.

12:00 - 12:15: Presentation by Dr. Nara Monkam, Director of Research at the African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF).

12:15 - 12:20: Observations by Harry Roodbeen, Director for International Tax and Consumer Tax at the Ministry of Finance of the Netherlands, and Co-Chair of the OECD Task Force on Tax and Development.

12:20 - 12:45: Discussion with the audience, based on the statements and solutions of the speakers.

12:45 - 12:50: Revotes on statements and conclusions by Eric Kemmeren.

**12:50 – 14:00: Lunch.**





## **14:00 - 15:30: Parallel afternoon session 1**

### **Responsible corporate behaviour in tax matters: What are the potential benefits for developing countries?**

Conference room: Max van der Stoel auditorium.

Each speaker will introduce two statements or solutions at the end of his/her presentation. The audience will be invited to vote on these by SMS to the following phone number: 0031642500030. At the end of the session there will be revotes.

14:00 - 14:05: Introduction of the session and the panelists by the moderator Marnix van Rij.

14:05 - 14:20: Presentation by Giuseppe van der Helm, President of Tax Justice Netherlands, and Executive Director, Dutch Association of Investors for Sustainable Development.

14:20 - 14:35: Presentation by Jane Nalunga, Country Director, Southern and Eastern Africa Trade Information and Negotiations Institute (SEATINI - Uganda).

14:35 - 14:50: Presentation by Eelco van der Enden, Partner, Tax Function Effectiveness & Tax Administration Consulting, at PricewaterhouseCoopers.

14:50 - 15:05: Participating company in the Tax Transparency Benchmark 2015.

15:05 - 15:25: Discussion with the audience, based on the statements and solutions of the speakers.

15:25 - 15:30: Revote on statements and conclusions by Marnix van Rij.

**15:30 - 16:00: Tea break.**





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## **14:00 - 15:30: Parallel afternoon session 2**

### **Support to developing countries: How to assist them to fight tax evasion and tax avoidance and to collect their fair share of taxes?**

Conference room: "Oude Perszaal".

*University of Groningen has prepared a conference paper to facilitate discussion during this session.*

Each speaker will introduce two statements or solutions at the end of his/her presentation. The audience will be invited to vote on these by SMS to the following phone number: 0031642500030. At the end of the session there will be revotes.

14:00 - 14:05: Introduction of the session and the panelists by the moderator Professor Irene Burgers, Professor of International and European Tax Law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Groningen and Professor of Economics of Taxation at the Faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Groningen.

14:05 - 14:20: Presentation by Richard Tusabe, Commissioner General at Rwanda Revenue Authority. (To be confirmed)

14:20 - 14:35: Presentation by Dr. Châu Le Thi Nguyet, Dean, Law School, Can Tho University, Vietnam.

14:35 - 14:50: Presentation by Dr. Irma Mosquera, Post-doctoral research fellow at the International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation (IBFD).

14:50 - 15:00: Summary of the key bottlenecks for developing countries by Pasquale Pistone, IBFD Academic Chairman and Professor of Tax Law at WU Vienna and at the University of Salerno.

15:00 - 15:25: Discussion with the audience, based on the statements and solutions of the speakers.

15:25 - 15:30: Revote on the statements and conclusions by Irene Burgers.

## **15:30 - 16:00: Tea break.**



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**16:00 - 17:00: Plenary closing session on the way forward.**

Conference room: Max van der Stoel auditorium.

16:00 - 16:20: Rapporteurs of the various sessions will present their recommendations:

1. Plenary Session "Ensuring a sound tax base in developing countries: Are the current international initiatives sufficient?" by Eric Kemmeren
2. Parallel afternoon session 1 "Responsible corporate behaviour in tax matters: What are the potential benefits for developing countries?" by Giuseppe van der Helm
3. Parallel afternoon session 2 "Support to developing countries: How to assist them to fight tax evasion and tax avoidance and to collect their fair share of taxes?" by Irene Burgers

16:20 - 16:40: Address by Eric Wiebes, Dutch State Secretary for Finance.

16:40 - 16:50: Q&As with State Secretary Wiebes, moderated by the Chairman of the Conference.

16:50 - 17:00: Conclusions and closure by the Chairman of the Conference.

**17:00: Drinks.**

