









## International Tax Dialogue (ITD)



IMF Conference on Revenue Mobilization, 19 April 2011



#### Who are we?

The International Tax Dialogue (ITD) is a collaborative arrangement involving

**IDB** 

**IMF** 

**OECD** 

EC

World Bank

and DFID











DFII

In collaboration with the UN, CIAT, ATAF and IBFD.

to encourage and facilitate discussion of tax matters among national tax officials, international organisations, and a range of other key stakeholders. Its *Secretariat* is currently hosted by the OECD.

→ Increase collaboration

→ Share good practice, knowledge and experience

→ Improve tax policies and administration



#### Structure and partners

#### Ministries of Finance and Tax Administrations

#### INTERNATIONAL TAX DIALOGUE

**IMF** 

World Bank Group

**OECD** 

EC

**IDB** 

**DFID** 

- Bilateral technical assistance
- Financing facilities
- Loan and grant facilities
- IFC: bilateral technical assistance
- Multilateral & regional reach
- Pursuit of tax policy & administration reform agenda
- Financing facilities
- Financing facilities and technical assistance
  (LAC)
- Financing facilities(LIC)
- ICTD
- policy res.on tax andstate-building

In cooperation with: regional & international organisations (*UN*, *CIAT*, *ATAF*, *IBFD*, bilateral donors, etc.)



#### How do we work?

# [TD activities focus on:

 $\rightarrow$  Online resources



→ Global and regional conferences



→ Shared technical assistance information



→ Comparative regional studies





#### Online resources

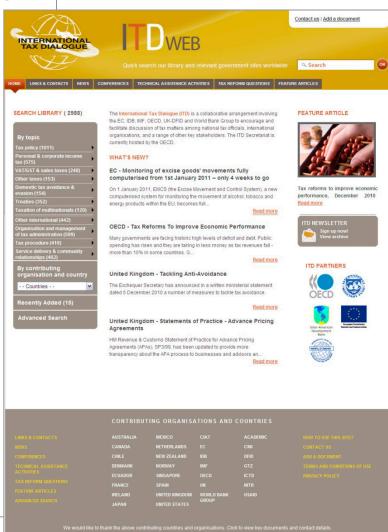
- **⚠ A knowledge sharing platform** for countries to share documents, knowledge and experience quickly, easily, and globally
- **Approx. 3000** documents currently shared by countries and international organisations
- A newsletter service
- Tax reform questions area
- A one-click search over 300 ministry and administration sites globally and an extensive range of links to more than 180 countries
- Covering tax policy and administration
- All countries are invited to use this free and openly accessible site and to make contributions



#### Online resources

A broad range of both **administration** and **policy** topics are covered, e.g.:

- Tax policy
- Personal & corporate income tax
- VAT / GST & sales tax
- Other taxes
- Domestic tax avoidance
- Taxation of multinationals
- Treaties
- Other international issues
- Tax procedure
- Organisation and management of tax administration



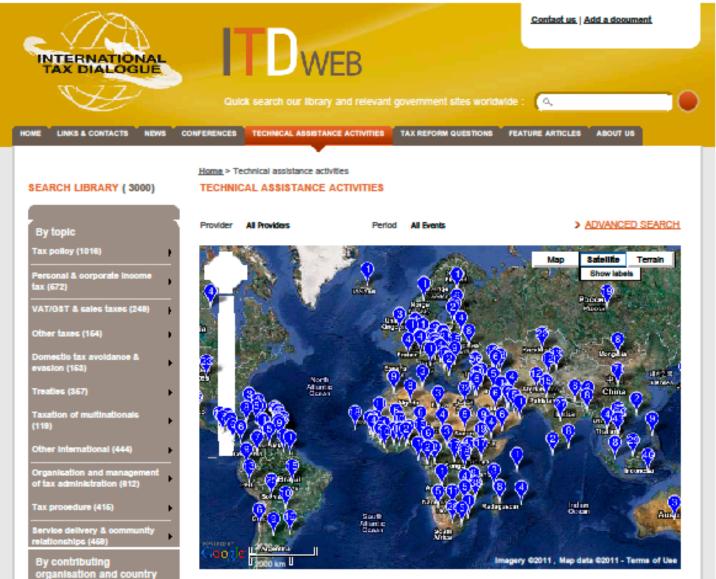


#### Online resources

- **Site** available: **EN**, **FR**, **SP**; online translation facilities are provided.
- **2988** documents on the site; more added every day
- **Documents** can be accesses through a topic structure by:
  - keyworddatecountry/organisationlanguage
- **1596** technical activities currently available by IMF, WB, OECD, UN, IDB, DFID, USAID, CIAT. Updated regularly.
- Technical assistance activities are searchable by:
  - provider time period location/region keyword interactive map
- •Other resources include: news, events, links and contact information to countries' ministries, tax administrations, regional and international organisations



#### Online resources: TA activities





#### Online resources: TA activities

#### Information by region

Home > Technical assistance activities > Advanced Search

Search Crite	ria: Recent events
Period	Last Year
Provider	All Providers
Location	All Locations
Region	Latin America and the Caribbean
Keyword	ok

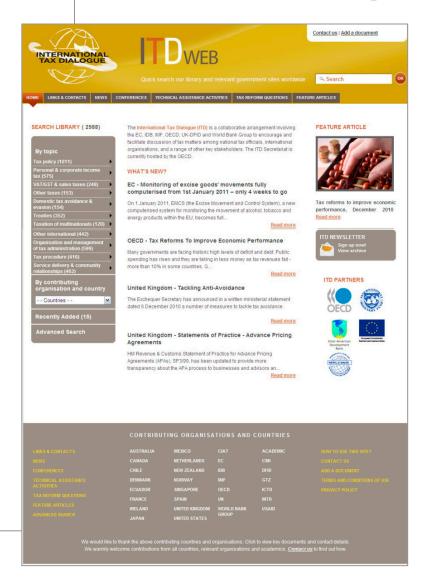


Date Start	Date End	Title	Location	Provider
01/01/2011		Assessing the Poverty & Social Impact of Fiscal Reforms	Jamaica	World Bank Group
08/11/2010	12/11/2010	Advanced Transfer Pricing Guidelines (TP2)	Mexico	OECD
02/11/2010	05/11/2010	Fiscal decentralisation: OECD-LAC Fiscal Initiative	Colombia	CIAT
02/11/2010	05/11/2010	Fiscal decentralisation: OECD-LAC Fiscal Initiative	Colombia	OECD
01/11/2010	14/11/2010	Assessment of excises, presumptive taxes, informal gold sector	Suriname	IMF
16/09/2010	17/09/2010	LAC-OECD Fiscal Initiative: 1st meeting of the LAC Tax Policy Forum	Panama	OECD



### How can you share your country's experience?

- → **Success** lies in the knowledge and experience national tax organisations share with one another
- → All countries are encouraged to share their own information using the site
- → Adding documents is very quick and easy through an administration site. It can be done from anywhere in the world.





#### Conferences









#### • Global conferences (bi-annually) :

#### <u>December 2011</u>: "Taxation and Inequality"

- -Topics include: consumption taxes, SME taxation, income taxes, taxation of high net worth individuals, gender, property taxes, tax administration, interaction of tax and aid, regional experiences.
- -Invitation letters to ministers of finance and heads of tax administrators are currently under preparation;
- A conference website will be available shortly.

#### Regional conferences :

- -Preparatory events to feed into the global conferences in Latin America (with CIAT), Africa (with ATAF) and Asia (with regional partners).
- -Follow-up regional events focussed on a particular topic of interest for the region: SMEs in Georgia (May 2011)



#### **Previous Conferences**









Previous Global conferences:

October 2009, China: "Financial Institutions and Instruments – Tax Challenges and Solutions" (over 300 senior officials from 84 countries attended)

-Two previous conferences: on VAT in <u>2005</u>, <u>Italy</u>; and on SMEs in <u>2007</u>, <u>Argentina</u>.

#### • Previous regional conferences :

-Follow-up events on tax and SME issues held in Rwanda (April 2009) and Philippines (March 2010).



#### Other ITD activities

- Regular meetings of the partner organisations to improve cooperation and avoid duplication of effort
- Database of technical assistance activities: our aim is to improve the focus on TA; an interactive map helps consult and search ongoing work on tax matters.
- Papers/studies on areas of global interest, e.g.
  - Comparative study of African tax administrations (pilot study); research to be further extended to other regions and organisations;
  - Extended African study (work in cooperation with ATAF)
- G20 mandate ITD engaged on the Domestic Resource Mobilization pillar of the Seoul Consensus

Overall, the ITD's aim is to be a central point of reference and a reliable source of information on all international tax matters at global level











**DFID** 

#### Thank you for your attention!

