

**The Fifth IMF-Japan High-Level Tax Conference
For Asian Countries in Tokyo
“Emerging Tax Issues in Asia”
(April 21-23, 2014)
Program (Excerpt)**

Day 1: Monday, April 21

Time	Remarks
9:00 AM–9:30 AM	Registration
Opening Ceremony	
9:30 AM–9:40 AM	Opening Address –Mr. Naoyuki Shinohara, Deputy Managing Director), IMF
9:40 AM–9:50 AM	Welcome Address –Mr. Masatsugu Asakawa, Deputy Vice Minister for Policy Planning and Co-ordination, Ministry of Finance (MOF), Japan
9:50 AM–10:20 AM	Photo Session and Coffee Break
Energy Taxation	
10:20 AM–11:30 AM	<i>Presentations:</i> Overview: Mr. Michael Keen, Deputy Director, FAD, IMF Experience: Ms. Kate Phipps, Senior Treasury Representative, Australian Embassy Mr. Tulga Solongo, Specialist, MOF, Mongolia Dr. Warotai Kosolpisitkul, Director, Tax Policy Bureau, MOF, Thailand
11:30 AM –12:00AM	Coffee Break
12:00 AM–12:30 PM	<i>Panel Discussion</i> <u>Moderator</u> Mr. Keen, FAD, IMF <u>Panelists:</u> Presenters
12:30 PM–1:45 PM	Lunch Break
Regional Harmonization of Tax System	
1:45 PM–2:45 PM	Principles of and lessons from regional harmonization <i>Presentations</i> Overview: Mr. Kiyoshi Nakayama, FAD, IMF Lessons from EU: Prof. Masao Yoshimura, Hitotsubashi University
2:45PM – 3:00PM	Coffee Break
3:00PM – 4:15PM	Tax incentives: Contents and implications of the WTO rule on tax policy <i>Presentations</i> Overview: Mr. Nakayama, FAD, IMF WTO rules: Mr. Michael Daly, Consultant

4:20 PM–4:40 PM	Coffee Break
4:40 PM–5:30 PM	<p>Revenue mobilizing efforts in Asian countries-- Asian Development Outlook 2014</p> <p><i>Presentations:</i></p> <p>Dr. Donghyun Park, Principal Economist, Economics and Research Department, Asian Development Bank</p> <p>Mr. Satoru Araki, Public Management Specialist, Regional and Sustainable Development Dept., ADB</p>

Day 2: Tuesday, April 22

Time	Remarks
Activities of IMF Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (OAP)	
9:00AM–9:15AM	Mr. Odd Per Brekk, Director, OAP
Analytical Tools to Strengthen Tax Administration	
9:15 AM–10:45 AM	<p>FAD tools to improve tax administration performance and reform</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <p>Mr. David Kloeden, Head of TADAT Secretariat, FAD, IMF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TADAT: Tax Administration Diagnostic Assessment Tool • RA-FIT: Revenue Administration – Fiscal Information Tool • RA-GAP: Revenue Administration – Gap Analysis Program
10:45 AM–11:15 AM	Coffee Break
Reform issues and challenges in tax administration in the region	
11:15 AM–12:30 PM	<p><i>Presentations</i></p> <p>Experiences:</p> <p>Ms. Henares, Philippines</p> <p>Mr. Wong Kuen-fai, Commissioner of Inland Revenue, Hong Kong</p> <p>Mr. Tun Tun Aung, Director, IRD, Myanmar</p> <p>Mr. Rajendra Sharma, Deputy Director General, Inland Revenue Department, MOF, Nepal</p>
12:30 PM–2:00PM	Lunch Break
Reform issues and challenges in tax administration in the region (cont.)	
2:00 PM – 3:00PM	<p><i>Presentations</i></p> <p>Experiences:</p>

	<p>Dr. Shukor Mahfar, CEO, Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia</p> <p>Mr. Sun Qun, Director, Tax Reform Division, State Administration of Taxation, China</p> <p>Mr. Wilson Ong, Assistant Commissioner, Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore, Singapore</p> <p>Comments by Mr. Kloeden, FAD, IMF</p>
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Day 3: Wednesday, April 23

Time	Remarks
International taxation	
9:00 AM–10:45 AM	<p><i>Presentations:</i></p> <p>BEPS: Mr. Hiki, Director, International Tax Policy, MOF, Japan</p> <p>BEPS-Digital Economy: Mr. Piet Battiau, Head of Consumption Tax Unit, CTPA, OECD</p> <p>Spillovers in International Taxation: Mr. Keen, FAD, IMF</p> <p><i>Experiences:</i></p> <p>Mr. A. Sreenivasa Rao, Director, Central Board of Direct Taxes, India</p> <p>Comments by Professor Masui, University of Tokyo</p>
10:45 AM–11:15 AM	Coffee Break
Latest tax policy reform	
11:15 AM–12:30 PM	<p><i>Presentations:</i></p> <p><i>Experiences:</i></p> <p>Mr. John Sein Gi, Director, Inland Revenue Department, Myanmar</p> <p>Ms. Farah Dhiba Binti Ahmed, Principal Assistant Secretary, MOF, Malaysia</p> <p>Mr. Tulga, MOF, Mongolia</p>
12:30 PM–2:00 PM	Lunch Break
Taxation of High Income and Wealth Individuals	
2:00 PM–3:30 PM	<p>Tax Policy Aspects; How to achieve progressivity in tax design?</p> <p><i>Presentations</i></p> <p>Overview: Mr. Keen, FAD, IMF</p> <p><i>Experiences:</i></p> <p>Dr. Toshiaki Tachibanaki, Professor Emeritus, Kyoto University</p> <p>Ms. Wang Mingru, Deputy Director, Tax Analysis Division, Tax Policy Department, MOF, China</p>
3:30 PM–4:00 PM	Coffee Break
4:00 PM–5:15 PM	<p>Countering tax avoidance and evasion by the wealthy</p> <p><i>Presentations:</i></p>

	<p>Overview: Mr. Nakayama, FAD, IMF</p> <p>Experiences: Mr. Ueda, Deputy Commissioner, National Tax Agency, Japan</p> <p>Participants Ms. Kim Jacinto-Henares, Commissioner of Bureau of Internal revenue, Philippines Mr. Raden Setyadi Aris Handono, Deputy Director, Directorate General of Tax, Indonesia</p>
Concluding Session	
5:15 PM – 5:30 PM	Summing-up and concluding remarks—Mr. Keen, FAD, IMF