



Political dynamics and the implementation of socially inclusive green fiscal reform

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Introduction

During the 17th Global Conference on Environmental Taxation (GCET), the Green Fiscal Policy Network (United Nations Environment Programme, International Monetary Fund and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit) in collaboration with the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and Green Budget Europe will organize a workshop focused on the political dynamics of implementing green fiscal reforms. The workshop sessions will provide an opportunity for policy makers and experts to discuss topical issues related to the politics of implementing green fiscal reforms in industrialized, emerging and developing economies to support the transition to an inclusive green economy and delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Participation in the workshop is open to registered participants of the GCET. Registration is possible via the [conference website](#).

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Session 1: Designing green fiscal reforms to manage trade-offs between effectiveness, inclusiveness and administrative feasibility

What are good experiences with the design of green tax reforms and their administration? What are the trade-offs between environmental effectiveness, social inclusiveness and political feasibility and how are they best managed?

Speakers:

- Ian Parry, Principal Environmental Fiscal Policy Expert, Fiscal Affairs Department, IMF
- Le Quang Thuan, Deputy Director, Fiscal Affairs Division, National Institute for Finance, Vietnam
- Dolores Almeida, Former Vice Minister of Finance, Ecuador
- Robin Hamerlinck, Team Leader Economic and Fiscal Policy, Ministry of Environment, Netherlands

Chair: Kurt Van Dender, Head of Centre for Tax Policy and Administration, OECD

Session 2: Using green fiscal reform to mobilise resources and create fiscal space for financing the SDGs and a green economy transition

How can green fiscal reform support the SDGs and the NDCs? In which ways have countries used fiscal reform to improve framework conditions for a green economy transition? How can green fiscal reforms mobilize domestic resources and contribute to increasing fiscal space?

Speakers:

- Joy A. Kim, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, UNEP
- Noor Iskandarsyah, Director, Head of Subsidies Policy Division, Ministry of Finance, Indonesia
- Eduardo Camero Godínez, Head of Unit, Ministry of Finance, Mexico (tbc)
- Susanne Akerfeldt, Senior Advisor, Ministry of Finance, Sweden

Chair: Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker, Co-President, Club of Rome

Session 3: Carbon pricing after Paris – the role of fiscal instruments in the implementation of the climate treaty

What are countries experiences with fiscal instruments to price carbon and mobilise climate finance? What level of carbon prices is needed to meet the Paris pledges? How can carbon pricing be integrated in the next round of NDCs?

Speakers:

- Luis Miguel Galindo, Head of Climate Change Unit, UN ECLAC
- Rodrigo Pizarro, Head of Division of Environmental Economics, Ministry of the Environment, Chile
- Memory Machingambi, Senior Economist, National Treasury, South Africa
- Christophe Poupard, Ministry of Environment, France (tbc)

Chair: Aldo Ravazzi-Douvan, Vice President, Green Budget Europe / Chief Economist, Ministry of Environment, Italy / Sogesid TA