



**STRENGTHENING TAX ADMINISTRATION THROUGH
INTERNATIONAL TAXATION: EXPLORING THE UN FRAMEWORK
CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TAX COOPERATION AND
ASSESSING THE IMPACT OF AMOUNT B OF THE OECD TWO-PILLAR
SOLUTION ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

WEBINAR AGENDA:

28th – 29th January 2025

14:00 – 17:00 (WAT)

Sessions indicated in West Africa Time (WAT).

Registration Link:

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Day 1: 28th January, 2025

Exploring the UN Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation: Opportunities and Implications for Developing Countries

Time	Activity	Speaker
14:00 – 14:15 (10 min)	Welcoming remarks and context setting	Mr. Jules Tapsoba, ES WATAF Dr. Carlos Correa, Executive Director, South Centre Ms. Talato Eliane Djiguemde-Ouedraogo - WATAF Chair/DG, DGI Burkina Faso
1415 – 1430 (15 min)	Inaugural Speech: Way Forward for Developing Countries on the UN Framework	Dr. Iyabo Masha, Director, G-24

	Convention on International Tax Cooperation	
<p>Session 1: <i>Overview of the United Nations Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation (UNFCITC): Opportunities and Implications for Developing Countries</i></p>		
1430 – 1440 (10 mins)	❖ Objectives, scope and principles of the Terms of Reference for UN FCITC, and the next steps	Kolawole Omole, Research Consultant – Tax, South Centre Tax Initiative, South Centre
1440 – 1450 (10 mins)	❖ Relevance for developing countries and regional cooperation in West Africa	Kehinde Kajesomo Deputy Director, Tax Treaties and International Tax Policy Division, FIRS, Nigeria
1450 – 1500 (10 mins)	❖ Suggestions on common way forward on second early protocol: View from Latin America	Liselott Kana, Head of Department of International Taxation, Internal Revenue Service, Chile
1500 – 1510 (10 mins)	❖ Suggestions on common way forward on second early protocol: View from Asia	Ms. Anchal Khandelwal, Director, Foreign Tax and Tax Research Division - II, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, India
1510 – 1520 (10 mins)	❖ Suggestions on common way forward on second early protocol: View from Africa	Mathew Gbonjubola, Coordinating Director, Compliance and Enforcement Group, Federal Inland Revenue Service, Nigeria
1520 – 1540 (20 mins)	Q&A	Moderator: Abdul Muheet Chowdhary, Senior Programme Officer, South Centre Tax Initiative, South Centre
1540 – 1550 (10 mins)	Break	

Session 2: Strengthening Tax Administration through international cooperation

1550 – 1620 (30 mins)	How WATAF can enhance regional collaboration among WATAF Member States for effective tax collection? How WATAF can interact with UN FCITC for effective tax collection?	Alpha Ngom, Senior Technical Adviser to the General Director of Taxation DGID, Senegal
1620 – 1650 (30 mins)	How the UN FCITC can fill gaps in existing standards on mutual administrative assistance: Joint audits, simultaneous examinations and assistance in recovery of tax claims	Ricardo Rodrigues, Federal Revenue of Brazil - RFB
1650 - 1700 (10 minutes)	Questions and Answers	Moderator: WATAF

Day 2: 29th January, 2025

Assessing the Impact of Amount B of the OECD Two-Pillar Solution on Developing Countries

Time	Activity	Speaker
1400 – 1500 (30 mins / speaker)	Session 1: Overview of Amount B: Key features and updates ❖ Implications for developing countries	Kehinde Kajesomo Deputy Director, Tax Treaties and International Tax Policy Division, FIRS, Nigeria
		Anne Wanyagathi Maina, Research Consultant – Tax, South Centre Tax Initiative, South Centre
1500 – 1550 (50 mins)	Session 2: Conducting Independent Impact Assessments of Amount B ❖ Methodologies and tools for impact assessment	Chetan Rao, Ruchika Sharma and Dr. Vijit Patel, Indian Revenue Service, India
1550 – 1600 (10 mins)	Respondents	Alpha Ngom, Senior Technical Adviser to the General Director of Taxation DGID, Senegal
1600 - 1620 (20 minutes)	Questions and Answers	Moderator: Kolawole Omole, Research Consultant – Tax, South Centre Tax Initiative, South Centre
1620 – 1630 (10 mins)	Break	
1630 – 1650 (20 minutes)	Closing Session: Navigating Global Tax Reforms: Strategies for Global South Economies	Kehinde Kajesomo Deputy Director, Tax Treaties and International Tax Policy Division, FIRS, Nigeria

	❖ Suggestions on balancing global alignments and local needs	Abdul Muheet Chowdhary, Senior Programme Officer, South Centre Tax Initiative, South Centre
		Moderator: WATAF
1650 – 1700 (10 minutes)	Concluding remarks	Mr. Jules Tapsoba, Executive Secretary, WATAF