

The South African Revenue Service (SARS)
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The aim of this conference hosted by SARS and organized in collaboration with the OECD (CTPA and GOVNET) as well as DFID, the IMF, the World Bank, FIAS, and the WCO is to bring together Heads of African Tax Administrations, their OECD counterparts, donor agencies and academics to discuss progress made, challenges faced and possible new direction for African tax policy and administration in the 21st Century. This will take place in the context of the current work being done on taxation, state building, governance, political economy and revenue mobilization. It will provide an opportunity for policymakers, tax administrators and specialists from OECD and African countries to:

- engage in a dialogue on partnerships in support and development of African tax administrations and systems;
- establish informal networks to exchange lessons learned and good practice on all issues of taxation; and
- collectively examine ways to develop capacity and mechanisms in African tax administrations.