Working Party of Senior Budget Officials

39TH ANNUAL MEETING OF OECD SENIOR BUDGET OFFICIALS

ANNOTATED AGENDA

6-7 June 2018
King David Hotel
Jerusalem

The meeting is kindly hosted by the Israeli Ministry of Finance.
The meeting is chaired by Mr. Martin Kelleners, Director, Budget Directorate, Ministry of Finance, Germany.

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Tuesday, 5 June

18:30 Welcome Reception hosted by the Israeli Ministry of Finance

Wednesday, 6 June

9:00-9:30 Registration and Collection of Badges

9:30-9:45 Opening by Chair
Delegates’ Introductions

9:45-10:00 Opening Remarks by Israeli Minister of Finance
Mr. Moshe Kahlon

10:00-10:15 Opening Remarks by OECD Deputy Secretary-General
Ms. Mari Kiviniemi

10:15-11:00 SESSION 1 -- Budget Profile of Israel
The Ministry of Finance will present an overview of Israel’s system of budgeting and public expenditure management, highlighting especially reforms to extend the time horizon of the budget – including through the use of a multi-year fiscal framework.

The floor will then be opened for general discussion.

11:00-11:30 Family Photo and Coffee Break

11:30-13:00 SESSION 2.a -- OECD Budgeting Outlook
The Secretariat will present the inaugural edition of the flagship OECD Budgeting Outlook during three separate sessions. The report offers an overview of budget policy and budgetary practices and procedures in OECD countries and emerging trends.

This session will highlight the report’s key overall findings on budget policy, and on international trends in the strategic, institutional and operational aspects of budgeting – ranging from performance, financial reporting and capital budgeting to issues of transparency, participation and the role of parliament and independent fiscal institutions.

Following reflections by Professor Allen Schick on the findings of the report, the floor will be opened for general discussion.
13:00-14:30 Luncheon hosted by the Israeli Ministry of Finance

Professor Christine Wong will deliver the Keynote Luncheon Address:
“Can China’s Fiscal Foundations Support the Belt and Road Initiative?”

14:30-16:00 SESSION 2.b -- OECD Budgeting Outlook – Focus on Fiscal Risks

In this session, the Secretariat will present the Outlook’s findings on fiscal risks management and discuss institutional frameworks for defining, identifying, measuring and disclosing fiscal risks across OECD countries.

Following specific interventions by Delegates, the floor will be opened for general discussion.

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-18:00 SESSION 2.c -- OECD Budgeting Outlook – Focus on Medium-Term Expenditure Frameworks

In this session, the Secretariat will present the Outlook’s findings on medium-term expenditure frameworks (MTEFs) and discuss varying design characteristics across OECD countries.

Following specific interventions by Delegates, the floor will be opened for general discussion.

19:00 Gala Dinner hosted by the Israeli Ministry of Finance
Thursday, 7 June

9:30-11:00 SESSION 3 -- Budgeting in France – Peer Review

The budgeting and public expenditure system of France will be reviewed during this session. The objective of budgeting reviews is to provide a comprehensive overview of the budgeting process in the respective country based on a report prepared by the OECD Secretariat, and to offer other countries an opportunity to comment on specific budgeting issues in the country under review.

Following the Secretariat’s introduction of the report, two countries will act as “lead examiners” of the review.

The floor will then be opened for general discussion.

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:00 SESSION 4 -- Budgeting to Achieve Strategic and Societal Goals

The budget is increasingly recognized as a tool to achieve broader strategic goals of social and economic policy.

The Secretariat will present the recently completed OECD Review of Gender Budgeting in Canada. The session will also draw attention to the newly established Paris Collaborative on Green Budgeting and provide for general discussion on how such initiatives might be adapted to help progress other policy priorities, such as the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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14:30-16:00 SESSION 5 -- Using Data Analytics to Improve Public Expenditures

This session will focus on how governments can harness the power of data analytics – including building relationships for better data sharing – in order to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of public expenditures.

The session will be led by Australia who has generously produced the background report for the session.

Following specific interventions by Delegates, the floor will be opened for general discussion.
16:00-16:30  SESSION 6 – Report by the Secretariat and Future Work

The Secretariat will provide a report on activities since the last meeting of the Working Party, including the activities of each of the SBO subsidiary bodies.

Delegates will then be asked to identify future work priorities in the area of budgeting and public expenditures, and indicate their interest in particular studies.

16:30      Closing by Chair and Secretariat
PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Venue - Meeting Location
The meeting will take place at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem. It is located at 23 King David Street in the centre of Jerusalem.

Accommodation
The Israeli Ministry of Finance has made arrangements for special rates at several hotels in the vicinity of the King David Hotel. Please refer to attached list – note that concessional rates are not available at the King David Hotel. Please contact the hotel directly to make your reservations mentioning the code: OECD/SBO – Ministry of Finance. Rooms are limited and rates are subject to availability at the time of booking. Credit/debit card details will be required to confirm the booking.

Airport Transportation
Jerusalem is located approximately 50 kilometres from Tel Aviv. Shuttle buses and taxis are the most convenient way to reach Jerusalem from Ben Gurion Airport. Travel time is generally 40-75 minutes depending on mode of transport and traffic conditions.

Registration Form
All Delegates need to complete the attached registration form and return it to the Secretariat. Entry passes can only be issued to registered Delegates and a passport or national identity card needs to be presented in order to receive an entry pass.

Entry Formalities
Delegates are advised to confirm any necessary visa requirements for entry in to Israel.

Documentation
Background documents will be available for all substantive sessions of the meeting. The documents will be distributed electronically to all registered Delegates prior to the meeting.

Social Programme
The Israeli Ministry of Finance invites all Delegates and spouses to a Welcome Reception on the eve of the meeting, Tuesday, 5 June 2018 at 18:30.

The Israeli Ministry of Finance invites all Delegates and spouses to a Gala Dinner at the conclusion of the first day of the meeting, Wednesday, 6 June 2018 at 19:00.

Further details of the social program will be communicated nearer to the meeting.
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# Registration Form

Please return the completed form to helene.leconte-lucas@oecd.org

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## Accommodation

NAME OF HOTEL (if known):

## Social Activities

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## Dietary Restrictions: