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Mobilising Domestic Resources through Tackling Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS)

Organised by the OECD in partnership with UN-DESA

18h15 to 19h45 - 14 July 2015

Mars meeting room, Hotel Elilly, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) is a global problem which requires global solutions. BEPS refers to tax planning strategies that exploit gaps and mismatches in tax rules to artificially shift profits to low or no-tax locations where there is little or no economic activity, resulting in little or no overall corporate tax being paid. BEPS is of major significance for developing countries due to their heavy reliance on corporate income tax. An inclusive approach and the input of developing countries are needed to ensure the specific challenges they face are taken into account in designing BEPS solutions. This session aims at raising awareness on the impact of BEPS on developing countries and how the OECD/G20 BEPS Project is tackling BEPS as a collective international effort.

This Side Event is organised by the OECD, in partnership with UN-DESA and with support from a geographically wide and diverse coalition of partners including governments, regional tax organisations and civil society. It provides a critical opportunity to bring together senior level figures from governments, regional tax organisations and civil society to:

- ✓ Strengthen the understanding of the magnitude and impact BEPS is having on developing countries' capacities to mobilise domestic resources.
- ✓ Raise global awareness at the highest political level on how the OECD/G20 BEPS Project is tackling BEPS issues.
- ✓ Call on the international assistance providers to increase their support to capacity building on BEPS in developing countries.



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AGENDA

18h15 Keynote opening address

- **Angel Gurría**, Secretary-General, OECD

18h25 Introduction and context-setting

- **Alexander Trepelkov**, Director Financing for Development Office, UN-DESA
- **Pascal Saint-Amans**, Director Centre for Tax Policy and Administration, OECD

18h40 Panel discussion: Rising to the challenge of BEPS issues to finance development

Moderated by:

- **Dr. Nara Monkam**, Director of Research, African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF)

Invited Panellists:

- **H.e. Amadou Ba**, Minister of Economy, Finance and Planning, Senegal
- **H.e. Peter David Phillips**, Minister of Finance and Planning, Jamaica
- **Mrs. Kalyani Dahanayake**, Commissioner General Inland Revenue, Sri Lanka
- **Dr. Attiya Waris**, Senior Lecturer Faculty of Law, University of Nairobi
- **Mr. Michael Keen**, Deputy Director Fiscal Affairs Department, IMF

Followed by questions and answers

19h45 Closing