Invitation

International Workshop

Civil society strategies towards tax justice – what next?

hosted by MISEREOR, Global Policy Forum and terre des hommes

Bonn, Haus der Evangelischen Kirche, Adenaueralle 37, Germany

13 September 2011

Dear friends and colleagues from the global movement for tax justice,

The International Tax Compact (ITC; an initiative of the German Development Ministry co-sponsored by other official partners) invites Civil Society Organizations and representatives from the business sector to a Dialogue Event on “How to Operationalize the International Tax and Development Agenda”. This Dialogue will take place in Bonn, Germany on 14 September 2011. It is directly linked to the 3rd governmental workshop of the ITC on 12 and 13 September. Invitations to the Dialogue Event fall under the responsibility of the ITC Secretariat (http://taxcompact.net).

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to a one-day NGO workshop on “Civil society strategies towards tax justice – what next?” It will take place on 13 September - the day before the ITC Dialogue, in Bonn as well. With this workshop we would like to take stock of the tax related debates in international fora, particularly the G20, the OECD and the UN; we will exchange views and experiences from various regions and share information about the tax agenda of CSOs in Africa, Asia and Latin America; and we will discuss advocacy priorities and themes for the coming months. Key issues of the joint brainstorming and strategizing will be country-by-country reporting (Dodd-Frank and beyond), measures against tax dodging (lessons from the SABMiller and Glencore cases), and an update of the TJN’s Financial Secrecy Index 2011.

The programme of our workshop is attached to this invitation. While participation in the workshop is free of charge, travel and accommodation costs cannot be reimbursed by the organizers. Please feel free to contact us, if you need any further information. In order to confirm your participation, please go to https://rsvp.globalpolicy.org/taxjustice2011 (registration deadline: 10 September 2011).

We are looking forward to meeting you in Bonn,

With best wishes

Jens Martens, Global Policy Forum

Georg Stoll, MISEREOR

Klaus Schilder, terre des hommes
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| 10:00 | Welcome and Introduction  
Georg Stoll, MISEREOR                                                    |
| PART 1 | Joint Stock Taking: Tax Justice in International Fora                  |
| 10:15 | G20 – Tax Issues on the Agenda of the Cannes Summit and  
OECD Informal Task Force on Tax and Development  
Mathilde Dupré, CCFD - Terre Solidaire                                  |
| 11:15 | Coffee/Tea Break                                                        |
| PART 2 | Civil Society Tax Agenda: Views from the Regions                        |
| 11:45 | Latin America                                                           
María José Romero, LATINDADD                                               |
| 12:30 | Lunch Break                                                             |
| 13:30 | Africa                                                                  
Vera Mshana, Tax Justice Network Africa                                    |
|       | Asia                                                                     
Pooja Parvati, Centre for Budget and Governance Accountability, New Delhi|
|       | Discussion                                                               
Moderation: Klaus Schilder, terre des hommes                               |
| 15:00 | Coffee/Tea Break                                                        |
| PART 3 | What next? Advocacy Priorities for the Coming 12 Months                |
| 15:30 | Country-by-Country Reporting: Dodd-Frank and beyond                    
Vanessa Herringshaw, Revenue Watch Institute                              |
|       | Measures against Tax Dodging: Lessons from the SABMiller and Glencore Cases  
Chris Jordan, Action Aid UK  
Andreas Missbach, Berne Declaration                                      |
|       | Update of the TJN’s Financial Secrecy Index 2011 and Cashback 2012  
John Christensen, Tax Justice Network                                     |
|       | Discussion                                                               
Moderation: Wolfgang Obenland, Global Policy Forum                        |
| 18:00 | Summing-up: Conclusions for the Dialogue with the International Tax Compact  
Moderation: Georg Stoll, MISEREOR                                        |
| evening | Boat tour on the river Rhine with participants of the Governmental Workshop of the International Tax Compact |

(Working language at the workshop is English)