

**Economic and Social Council  
2025 Special Meeting on International Cooperation in Tax Matters  
New York, 28 March 2025**

**ECOSOC Chamber (tbc)**

*Draft Timed Agenda (as of 13 February 2025)*

<b>MORNING MEETING</b>	
<b>10:00 AM – 10:25 AM</b>	<p><b>OPENING REMARKS</b> <i>Opening remarks celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the UN Tax Committee and commending its distinctive contributions to international tax cooperation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>H.E. Mr. Bob Rae</b>, President of the Economic and Social Council</li> <li>- <b>Mr. António Guterres</b>, Secretary-General of the United Nations (<b>tbc</b>)</li> <li>- <b>Ms. Liselott Kana</b>, Co-Chairperson, United Nations Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters</li> </ul>
<b>10:25 AM – 10:35 AM</b>	<p><b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b> (<i>International tax cooperation in an increasingly digitalized global economy</i>)</p>
<b>10:35 AM – 1:00 PM</b>	<p><b>PANEL 1: PROMOTING INCLUSIVE AND EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL TAX COOPERATION</b></p> <p><u><a href="#">Segment 1: Challenges and Opportunities to Strengthen Domestic Resource Mobilization (10:35 AM – 11:45 AM)</a></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dialogue on international rules or practices that pose significant barriers to domestic resource mobilization in developing countries</li> <li>• Discussion on innovative solutions to strengthen domestic resource mobilization</li> </ul> <p><u><a href="#">Segment 2: Taxation of Cross-Border Services – a multi-faceted approach (11:45 AM – 1:00 PM)</a></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination of approaches to taxing cross-border services in an increasingly digitalized economy, including technical services and digital services taxes</li> <li>• Discussion of administrative challenges facing developing countries in taxing intercompany transactions and the role of withholding taxes</li> </ul>
	<p><b>INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE</b> (<i>Open discussion with Member States and other stakeholders</i>)</p>
<b>1:00 PM- 3:00 PM</b>	<p><b>BREAK AND RESUME AT 3:00 PM</b></p>
<b>AFTERNOON SESSION</b>	
<b>3:00 PM- 3:05 PM</b>	<p><b>INTRODUCTORY REMARKS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>H.E. Mr. Bob Rae</b>, President of the Economic and Social Council</li> </ul>
<b>3:05 PM- 3:15 PM</b>	<p><b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b> (<i>Gender-responsive tax policy design in the context of Beijing+30</i>)</p>
<b>3:15 PM- 5:45 PM</b>	<p><b>PANEL 2: PROMOTING GENDER INCLUSIVITY THROUGH TAX POLICY DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION</b></p>

	<p><b><u>Segment 1: Understanding Gender Impacts in Tax Systems (3:15 PM – 4:30 PM)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of differential impacts of tax systems on women and men, including explicit and implicit biases affecting economic participation</li> <li>• Examination of changes in tax system composition and their gender impacts, with focus on tools for holistic analysis</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Segment 2: Practical Tools and Data for Gender-Responsive Tax Policies (4:30 PM – 5:45 PM)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus on practical tools and methodologies for gender-inclusive tax policy evaluation</li> <li>• Discussion of the role of gender-disaggregated data in shaping equitable fiscal policies, linking to Beijing+30 process</li> </ul>
	<p><b>INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE</b> (<i>Open discussion with Member States and other stakeholders</i>)</p>
<p><b>5:45 PM-6:00 PM</b></p>	<p><b>CLOSING REMARKS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Mr. Li Junhua</b>, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, UNDESA</li> <li>- <b>H.E. Mr. Bob Rae</b>, President of the Economic and Social Council</li> </ul>

