



FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT

SPECIAL EVENT - CONCEPT NOTE

NEW FRAMEWORK FOR GLOBAL TAXATION TRENDS

**FAIR TAX SYSTEMS AND EFFICIENT TAX ADMINISTRATION FOR AN
INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

OBJECTIVE: As the global landscape continues to evolve, international tax cooperation emerges as a key lever for mobilizing domestic public revenues that are needed to support an inclusive and sustainable development and reduce inequalities within and between countries. This high-level event will be a critical opportunity for a sound debate bringing together the voices of very actively engaged countries, world recognized experts and civil society. The main outcome should allow a renewed commitment towards strengthening fiscal systems, by ensuring a well-balanced mix of direct and indirect taxes to enhance progressivity and effectiveness in addressing inequality, with a particular focus on fair taxation of multinational corporations and effective taxation of High Net Worth Individuals (HNWI).

In a globalized and increasingly digitalized world, such domestic efforts must be complemented by international cooperation, including through enhanced international tax cooperation and robust measures to prevent and combat illicit financial flows

The primary objective of this high-level event is to explore the crucial role that taxation plays in financing sustainable development, and to move from declaration to action. By bringing together high-level representatives from different countries and civil society, the special event will provide a platform to engage in a comprehensive dialogue on enhancing tax systems, curbing tax avoidance, and fostering a fairer global tax architecture. The discussions will aim to identify actionable commitments, especially on international corporate taxation and HNWI that can drive progress towards the achievement of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

OPPORTUNITY: This year 2025 is pivotal for international tax cooperation and multilateralism more broadly. As a large number of countries will be gathering in Sevilla, this summit will turn to be a critical moment to renew a collective commitment towards international tax cooperation as a critical way to deliver SDGs and address climate crisis. This conference is the opportunity to bring together a coalition of the willing countries that will keep engaging on efforts to



jointly deliver the right solutions and commit to progressive taxation. This is not the moment to step back on multilateral and solidarity principles but rather to express commitment and support on the interconnected process, the UN Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation, on top of corporate and HNWI international taxation.

ADDED VALUE: Spain has been at the forefront of supporting international tax cooperation and contributing to bridge cross-regional approaches to build a fairer tax environment. Leading from example on innovative approaches and the efficiency of our tax administration, Spain can also play a leading role to put political will at service of reducing inequalities and get a number of countries joining forces to deliver shared objectives.

EVENT DESCRIPTION

Date: July 3rd, 2025, 09:30 am – 11:00 am

Duration: 90 minutes

Venue: 240 people

Format: Welcome remarks by María Jesús Montero, Vice president and Minister of Finance of Spain. Moderator will lead a live discussion between the panelists, such that the session is not just a series of presentations but also allows for reactions between the speakers. 2 rounds of questions guided by the moderator.

- 10 min. Welcome remarks by Maria Jesus Montero:
- 60 min Live debate. Discussion led by Amanda Mars¹ with two interventions of between 3 and 5 minutes each from the following potential speakers:
 - Maria Jesús Montero, Vice president and Minister of Finance of Spain
 - Joseph Stiglitz, ICRICT commissioner and Nobel Laureate in Economy
 - Edgard Amador Zamora, Finance Secretary of Mexico
 - Enoch Godongwana, Minister of Finance of South Africa
 - Amélie de Montchalin, Minister responsible for Public Accounts of France
 - Susana Ruiz, Oxfam International Global Lead Tax Justice
- 20 min questions from the audience

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