

NAME OF ORGANIZATION	TAX HOUSE
NAME OF EVENT	TAXPAYERS CONFERENCE 2022
THEME	BOOSTING TAXPAYERS' MORALE GLOBALLY
PURPOSE	TO PROVIDE BACKGROUND AND INSIGHT INTO THE CONFERENCE
PROPOSED DATE	11-12 JULY 2022

Background

A better understanding of what motivates taxpayers to participate in and comply with a tax system is valuable for all countries and stakeholders. Tax administrations can benefit from increased compliance and higher revenues, taxpayers (both businesses and individuals) are better served by tax systems that understand and are responsive to their needs, while increased data and discussion can help researchers deepen their understanding. In addition, such understanding can help organizations improve their communication on taxation and development partners to maximize the impact of development assistance.

These are our rationale and motivation for the Taxpayers Conference 2022. This conference has a singular goal of engaging stakeholders within the tax ecosystem on their respective roles in boosting taxpayers' morale. Challenges and solutions will be identified and shared to a wider audience. The conversation from the Conference is also designed to be an ongoing one even after the conference. This will be achieved by bringing together well-rounded experts and leading practitioners from across various industries and government to drive these conversations centered around the theme.

Conference Focus and Line Up

Against this backdrop, this year's conference will focus on boosting taxpayers' morale globally by having conversations around the inclusive nature of bilateral and multilateral institutions on taxation matters, how tax faculties can work with firms and revenue authorities to setup taxpayers education platforms, how the media that drive transparency and accountability in taxation matters, build trust in the tax ecosystem and the challenges with the digitization of the tax administration process.

We have lined up 3 pre-conference activities to serve as a build-up to the conference proper. This includes the Novelty Football Match between the Taxpayers and Revenue Authorities, Global Tax Debate among students from different tax faculties, and a Discussion via Twitter Space. The conference activities include 5 Plenary Sessions, 2 Speeches and one keynote Address.

Proposed Thematic Sessions

1. What do taxpayers want
2. Role of the Media
3. Inclusiveness of Bilateral and Multilateral Institutions
4. Building Trust in the Tax Ecosystem
5. Importance of Taxpayers Education, Transparency in Tax Spendings, Certainty and Simplicity of Tax Laws
6. Tax Disputes, Enforcement and Data Protection Issues
7. Role of Stakeholders in the Tax Ecosystem: Schools and Firms
8. Tax Laws, Policy Drive and Office of Tax Simplification

Conclusion

An outcome document will be drafted by the committee members and partnering organizations under the leadership of the Conference Chair, submitted for global consultations leading up to and during the conference, and presented at the closing plenary for adoption.