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PROGRAMME

ICTD and UNU-WIDER Workshop
**Taxation and Revenue Mobilization in
Developing Countries**

14-15 March 2016, Helsinki, Finland

Monday 14 March

09:00 – 09:15

Welcoming words

Finn Tarp, UNU-WIDER

09:15 – 10:45

Tax structures, trade and growth

Chair: **Tony Addison**, UNU-WIDER

Speakers: **Laura Abramovsky**, Institute for Fiscal Studies

Tax structures and size-based tax policies: a cross-country database and comparative study

Kyle McNabb, Heriot-Watt University

Tax structures and economic growth

Lovisa Moller, ActionAid

Recouping of lost trade taxes by other sources

10:45 – 11:15

Coffee

11:15 – 12:45

Natural resources

Chair: **TBC**

Speakers: **Christian von Haldenwang**, DIE

Vulnerability of tax revenue in resource-rich countries

Justine Knebelmann, International Growth Centre

Natural resources' impact on government revenues

Luc Omgba, University Of Paris Ouest Nanterre

On the mobilization of domestic resources in oil countries: the role of historical factors

12:45 – 14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 15:30

Regional perspectives and health

Chair: **Wilson Prichard**, University of Toronto/ICTD

Speakers: **Ismoil Khujamkulov**, Carleton University

Changes in structure of tax revenues of transition countries and their policy implications

Azime Hassen, WUR

Measuring taxable capacity & effort in sub-Saharan African countries

Patrick Carter, ODI

Are taxes good for your health

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee

16:30 – 17:30	Political economy considerations Chair: TBC Speakers: Urbain Yogo , University Of Paris Ouest Nanterre Political competition and tax revenues in developing countries Armin von Schiller , DIE Party system institutionalisation and reliance on personal income tax in developing countries.
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19:00	Dinner
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Tuesday 15 March

09:00 – 10:30	Corporate taxation Chair: Jukka Pirttilä , UNU-WIDER Speakers: Martin Hearson , LSE Are countries that depend on corporate tax revenue less likely to negotiate it away? Alex Cobham , Tax Justice Network International corporate tax and revenue mobilization in developing countries Marin Ferry , University of Paris 9 (Dauphine) Taxation and firm performance in developing countries
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10:30 – 11:00	Coffee
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11:00 – 12:30	Conflicts and decentralization Chair: Alex Cobham , Tax Justice Network Speakers: Vanessa Van Den Boogaard , University of Toronto Revenue mobilization in post-conflict developing countries Carla Canelas , UNU-WIDER Fiscal capacity, welfare institutions and conflict Miroslav Palanský , Charles University Taxation and revenue mobilization in developing countries: fiscal decentralization and shadow economy
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12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
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14:00 – 15:00	Taxation in Latin America Chair: Miguel Niño-Zarazúa , UNU-WIDER Speakers: Bruno Martorano , IDS Tax changes and inequality in Latin America, 1990 - 2010 Liliana Cano , Université Toulouse 1 Capitole Fiscal policy and income inequality decline in Latin America, 1990 - 2010
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15:00 – 15:15	Coffee
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15:15 – 16:00	Wilson Prichard , University of Toronto/ICTD Further development of the data
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16:00 – 16:30	Wrap up and discussion on publications
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