

PSI-FES

Global Labour Tax Summit

Detailed Programme and Resource Pack

17-18 September 2015 Room V International Labour Organization (ILO) Geneva, Switzerland









PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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HOW TO GET TO THE VENUE

The PSI-FES Global Labour Tax Summit will be held at the International Labour Office:

International Labour Organisation (ILO) 4 route des Morillons CH-1211 Geneva 22, Switzerland

From the Best Western Strasbourg and Suisse hotels, catch buses 8 (direction OMS) or F (direction Gex-Aiglette or Ferney-Voltaire) from the Cornavin train station and get off at *BIT*.

Enter the ILO main building via the underground parking. You will need to provide ID with a photo to get through security and obtain an ILO badge. Your ID will be returned when you leave the building. Follow signs to room V where the summit will start on 17 September at 8:00.

ELECTRONICS

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You might consider bringing an adapter in order to use your electronic devices.



GENERAL INFORMATION ON GENEVA

- Public transport: www.tpg.ch
- Weather forecast: <u>www.meteocentrale.ch</u>
- Geneva airport: <u>www.gva.ch</u>
- About Geneva: <u>www.geneve-tourisme.ch</u>

IMPORTANT: PHOTO AND VIDEOS

Please note that PSI will be filming and photographing speakers at the meeting for publishing on our website and future publications. If you do not wish to be filmed or photographed please contact our communications team at <u>communications@world-psi.org</u> and/or inform PSI staff at registration.



WEDNESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

19:00 – 23:00 DINNER AND GUEST SPEAKERS: "MAKING TAX SEXY"

Venue: Restaurant "Nomades" – 18 rue des Grottes, Geneva

Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung cordially invites you to a dinner hosted by FES and PSI

Our guest speaker, **George Turner**, Director of Finance Uncovered, will answer the question 'How do we make tax sexy' and **Simon Bowers**, Business Correspondent, the Guardian newspaper will respond.

George Turner, Journalist and Director of "Finance Uncovered"



George Turner is Investigations Director of Finance Uncovered, a collaborative journalism project, founded by Tax Justice Network, with over 120 journalists and campaigners from around the world with an interest in tax justice. Previously Mr. Turner worked as the Head of the Westminster Office of Simon Hughes MP, the then Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrats in the UK. He has written on the financial structure of the water industry, the use of offshore finance by UK football clubs and EU development finance to Africa being channelled through tax havens. Between 2014 and 2015, he held a one-man legal campaign against Shell, the UK Government, the Mayor of London and property developers Canary Wharf Group over a £1.6bn redevelopment in Central London.

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8:00 – 8:30 REGISTRATION

Coffee and breakfast available at the ILO café

8:30 – 9:00 WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Rosa Pavanelli, General Secretary, Public Services International (PSI)



Rosa Pavanelli is General Secretary of the global union federation Public Services International (PSI). She is a member of the United Nations High-level Experts and Leaders Panel on Water and Disasters and a member of the Cornell University International Labour Relations Worker Institute Advisory Council. Ms Pavanelli was elected to the Funzione Pubblica Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro (FP-CGIL) National Secretariat in 2002, and led the European and International Department from 2005 to 2012. Prior to that, she was responsible for the municipal and healthcare sector and was FP-CGIL General Secretary of the Lombardy region. She served as Vice-President of the European Public Service Union Federation (EPSU) from 2009 and as PSI Vice-President for the European Region from 2011. She started her trade union activity in 1978 while working with the Ministry of Labour in Brescia.

Hubert Schillinger, Director, FES Geneva Office



Hubert René Schillinger is the Director of the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) Geneva Office. Since joining FES in 1980, he has held various positions at FES headquarters and abroad, including project leader in Senegal, FES country director in Morocco, South Africa and Namibia. From mid-2009 to mid-2014, he coordinated the FES Dialogue on Globalization Programme. He holds a Master's Degree in Economics from the University of Konstanz (Germany) and graduated from the Center for Advanced Training in Rural Development (SLE) of the Technical University, Berlin.

Daniel Bertossa, Director Policy and Governance, Public Services International (PSI)



CONFERENCE CONVENOR

See Daniel Bertossa's full bio on page 18.

GENERAL RESOURCES

- Tax Havens and the Taxation of Transnational Corporations, Markus Henn, FES* http://ow.ly/RVuy8
- Africa Tax Brief, PSI Research Unit (PSIRU)* <u>http://ow.ly/RVziN</u>
- Asia Pacific Tax Brief, PSI Research Unit, (PSIRU)* <u>http://ow.ly/RVzy6</u>
- Latin America Tax Brief, PSI Research Unit (PSIRU)* <u>http://ow.ly/RVAQI</u>

Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Tax Brief, PSI Research Unit (PSIRU)* http://ww.ly/RVCzV

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9:00 – 10:45 PANEL SESSION 1: TAX IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS



The role of public finance for general welfare, the impact of the current system on workers, development, public services and privatisation, the environment and inequality.

Moderator: Simon Bowers, Business Correspondent, the Guardian

TAX AND DEVELOPMENT

Joel Odigie, Human and Trade Union Rights Coordinator, ITUC Africa



Akhator Joel Odigie is an activist and trade unionist. He is Nigerian and has worked with the African Regional Organisation of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC-Africa) as its Coordinator for Human and Trade Union Rights since 2010. He worked with the Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC) from 2003 until 2010, finishing as International Department Secretary. Mr. Odigie has obtained a Master's degree in Labour and Globalisation at the Berlin School of Economics and Law. He is a Pan-Africanist and a Humanist who is convinced that the task is to "refuse to agonise, rather we must continue to organise, mobilize for change".

EVEN IT UP: TAX AND INEQUALITY

Susana Ruiz Rodríguez, Head of Intermón Fiscal Justice Campaign, Oxfam International



Susana Ruiz Rodríguez is head of Oxfam Intermón (Spain) Fiscal Justice Campaign and policy leader for Oxfam International on fiscal justice issues. She coordinated the launch of the fiscal justice work for Oxfam in Latin America, based in Peru in 2012 and 2013. Ms Rodríguez is the author of several reports and chapters in books on fiscal justice and corporate taxation, as well as a regular blogger on the issue. She graduated from International Business and worked for seven years in business development and international consultancy in China.

TAX AND WORKERS' RIGHTS - A CASE STUDY IN MANUFACTURING

Karim Bangoura, Expert Comptable Associé, SYNDEX



Karim Bangoura is a certified accountant, associated with SYNDEX, an expert grouping of accountants who focus on staff representatives. He is also an auditor and co-founder of the accountancy firm AUDISOL that is specialised in social economy and solidarity.

FUNDING QUALITY PUBLIC SERVICES

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10:45 - 11:15 BREAK

PANEL SESSION 1 - RESOURCES

- Fair tax and quality public services delivery in Africa, Baba Aye, Nigeria* http://ow.ly/RYwbT
- Even It Up, OXFAM http://ow.ly/RVEFH
- Why We Need Public Spending, PSIRU* <u>http://ow.ly/RVTdP</u>
- TUAC report on the joint ITUC-TUAC expert meeting on Corporate Tax Planning* http://www.ly/RYbpg
- G20 : Public health care more efficient than private but needs funds* <u>http://ow.ly/RYhJe</u>
- PSI urges G20 to fix tax system to fund Ebola crisis* <u>http://ow.ly/RYhBJ</u>

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11:15 – 12:45 PANEL SESSION 2: TAX AND CORPORATE POWER



How much money do they get away with, how do they do it, who helps them, how can they be stopped and why don't we hear more about it?

Moderator: Nadja Salson, Policy Officer for Tax and National Administration, European Federation of Public Service Unions (EPSU)

HOW MUCH, WHO AND HOW?

John Christensen, Executive Director, Tax Justice Network



John Christensen directs the international activities of the Tax Justice Network. Trained as both an auditor and an economist, he has spent most of his career investigating offshore finance and tax havens. His new book "The Greatest Invention: Tax and the Campaign for a Just Society" will be published on 24 September 2015.

CORPORATE CASE STUDIES FROM A UNION PERSPECTIVE: CHEVRON AND THE AUSTRALIAN SENATE TAX ENQUIRY

Jason Ward, Senior Global Strategist, International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF)



Jason Ward has been researching and campaigning for various unions across many sectors since 1998. He worked for 7.5 years at both UNITE HERE and SEIU in the US. Before joining the ITF, Mr. Ward worked for 2.5 years at United Voice in Australia. In this role, he published a report, in conjunction with the Tax Justice Network, on the tax practices of Australia's largest listed companies. The report led to a Senate Inquiry into Corporate Tax Avoidance and helped make corporate tax avoidance a major political and media issue in Australia. Jason Ward currently works from the ITF office in Sydney and is focused on exposing Chevron's aggressive tax schemes.

THE CHALLENGES POSED BY MNCs AND THEIR SERVICE PROVIDERS AND LOBBYISTS

Krishen Mehta, former partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers



Krishen Mehta is a Senior Global Justice Fellow at Yale University (US). Prior to making tax justice his main focus, he was a partner with PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) and served in their New York, London, and Tokyo offices. His responsibilities included PwC's US Tax practices in Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, Taiwan, Korea, China and Indonesia, encompassing over 140 American companies conducting business in Asia. Mr. Mehta is currently a Senior Advisor to Tax Justice Network. He serves on the Advisory Board of Aspen Institute's Business and Society Program, and is a member of the Asia Advisory Council of Human Rights Watch. He is also a Trustee of the Korbel School of International Studies at the University of Denver. Krishen Mehta has been an Adjunct Professor at American University, a frequent guest speaker at Tufts University in Boston (US), Tokyo University in Japan, and at Columbia University (US). From 2010-2012, he was Co-Chairman of the Advisory Board of Global Financial Integrity (GFI).

PANEL SESSION 2 RESOURCES

- Comments by TUAC on the OECD action plan on base erosion and profit shifting* http://ww.ly/RZpn5
- Lobbyists for the havens: ICIJ's guide to the offshore system's defenders* <u>http://ow.ly/RXYwx</u>
- UNCTAD study on the size of corporate tax avoidance in developing countries http://ww.ly/RVG9p
- Transfer pricing radio interview G20 <u>http://www.world-psi.org/en/audio-radio-interview-daniel-bertossa</u>

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12:45 – 14:15 LUNCH



14:15 – 15:45 PANEL SESSION 3: WHO MAKES THE RULES, WHO INFLUENCES THEM AND WHO BENEFITS?



The OECD, our national governments, business interests, media, right wing think tanks, the UN, SDGs and the global financial institutions.

Moderator/Speaker: John Christensen, Executive Director, Tax Justice Network. John Christensen will also briefly introduce "**Tax governance global architecture and its players**".

ARE WE DOING ENOUGH?

Raffaele Russo, Head of BEPS Project, Centre for Tax Policy and Administration, OECD



Raffaele Russo is a member of the Senior Management Team of the OECD Centre for Tax Policy and Administration (Paris), where he currently coordinates the work on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS). Previously he was Head of the Non-Compliance Unit at the OECD Centre for Tax Policy and Administration, in charge of the work on Aggressive Tax Planning and on Tax Crimes. Prior to that, he worked on the OECD Model Tax Convention and the OECD Transfer Pricing Guidelines, as well as on Exchange of Information matters when he drafted the Protocol to the Multilateral Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters. Before joining the OECD, he was a Senior Associate at the International Tax Academy of the IBFD (Amsterdam) and a Tax Lawyer with NCTM Studio Legale Associato (Milan). He obtained his Law Degree from the University Federico II (Naples, Italy), and his LLM in International Tax matters and editor and co-author of the books 'The Attribution of Profits to Permanent Establishments: The taxation of intra-company dealings' (2005), 'Fundamentals of International Tax Planning' (2007) and 'A Decade of Case Law: Essays in honor of the 10th Anniversary of the Leiden LLM in International Taxation' (2008).

SPILL OVER EFFECTS AND TAXING THE FINANCIAL SECTOR

Michael Keen, Deputy Director, Fiscal Affairs Department, IMF



Michael Keen is Deputy Director of the Fiscal Affairs Department of the International Monetary Fund, where he was previously head of the Tax Policy and Tax Coordination divisions. Before joining the Fund, he was Professor of Economics at the University of Essex and visiting Professor at Kyoto University. He has led technical assistance missions to nearly thirty countries on a wide range of tax policy issues, and consulted for the World Bank, European Commission, and the private sector. He has served on the Board of the National Tax Association in the US, and on the editorial boards of the *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, International Tax and Public Finance* (of which he was joint founder), *Journal of Public Economics*, the *Review of Economic Studies* and many other journals.

VESTED INTERESTS IN THE TAX DEBATE

Simon Bowers, Business Correspondent, the Guardian



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PANEL SESSION 3 – RESOURCES

- G20 Leaders: Tax Annex to the St Petersburg Leaders Declaration <u>http://ow.ly/RVH0S</u>
- OECD BEPS Action Plan http://ow.ly/RVHnV
- Overall evaluation of the G20/OECD base erosion and profit shifting (BEPS) project * http://ow.ly/RZrsa
- IMF Paper Base Erosion, Profit Shifting and Developing Countries <u>http://ow.ly/RVHwv</u>
- IMF Paper Taxing Financial Transactions: Issues and Evidence http://ww.ly/RVHG7
- Tax Justice Network Why a global tax body? <u>http://ow.ly/RVHY7</u>
- PSI Statement on G20 Tax Efforts* <u>http://ow.ly/RVId6</u>

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15:45 – 16:15 BREAK



16:15 – 17:45 PANEL SESSION 4: UNION AND ALTERNATIVE RESPONSES - IDENTIFYING PRIORITIES



Identifying alternative policy options, success stories and trade union priorities Moderator: Erika Dayle Siu, ICRICT Consultant

WHAT ARE THE ALTERNATIVES?

Manuel F. Montes, Member of the Independent Commission on Reform of International Corporate Tax (ICRICT)



Manuel F. Montes is Senior Advisor on Finance and Development at the South Centre in Geneva. He was previously Chief of Development Strategies, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) where he led the team that produced the World Economic and Social Survey (WESS). Before that, he was Chief of Policy Analysis and Development in the UN's Financing for Development Office, where he also served as Secretary of the UN Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters; UNDP Regional Programme Coordinator, Asia Pacific Trade and Investment Initiative based at the Regional Centre in Colombo, Sri Lanka; Programme Officer for International Economic Policy at the Ford Foundation in New York, 1999-2005; Senior Fellow and Coordinator for Economics Studies at the East-West Centre in Honolulu, 1989-1999; and Associate Professor of Economics at the University of The Philippines, 1981-1989.

CAN WE WORK WITH THE BEPS OUTCOMES AND STILL TAKE CONTROL OF OUR OWN TAX DESTINIES?

Krishen Mehta, former partner PricewaterhouseCoopers



Krishen Mehta is a Senior Global Justice Fellow at the Yale University. See page 10 for his full bio.

POLICY OPTIONS FOR EUROPE

Jan Willem Goudriaan, General Secretary, European Federation of Public Service Unions (EPSU)



Jan Willem Goudriaan was elected as General Secretary of the European Federation of Public Services Trade Unions (EPSU) at the 9th EPSU Congress, in May 2014. He started in the Dutch public services trade union AbvaKabo-FNV in 1989 and joined EPSU in November 1992. He was EPSU's Deputy General Secretary from 1997 to 2014. He pioneered the social dialogue with employers in the electricity, gas and local government sector. Together with trade union delegations, he negotiated European Works Council agreements and transnational company agreements with Europe's leading energy and water companies including a ground-breaking deal on improving equality and equal pay in GdfSuez. He actively promoted the social dimension of the Energy Community for South East Europe and has been an active campaigner against the privatisation of water companies in the EU amongst others. He proposed and is Vice-President of the first ever successful European Citizens' Initiative on the Human Right to Water and Sanitation which collected 1.9 million signatures. He is a member of the ETUC Executive Committee and the PSI Executive Board.

NATIONAL SOLUTIONS IN A DEVELOPMENT CONTEXT

Adhemar S. Mineiro, CUT Brazil



Adhemar S. Mineiro is an economist and has worked since May 2003 with DIEESE CUT, the Brazilian Workers' Confederation, and REBRIP (Brazilian Network for the Integration of People, a network of Brazilian social movements and NGOs), monitoring trade negotiations, BRICS, G20, and Mercosur. He served as economic advisor to TUCA (Trade Union Confederation of Americas) from 2010-2012 and then as economic advisor to the International Secretariat of CUT. Mr. Mineiro has published articles in Brazil and abroad on economic policies, debt, development and trade issues including "O Desmonte da Nação em Dados", evaluating Brazilian economy in the period 1995-2001.

17:45 – 18:00 WRAP UP AND CLOSE

PANEL SESSION 4 – RESOURCES

- ICRICT Declaration* http://www.icrict.org/declaration/
- Impact of austerity on the fight against tax fraud and avoidance (EPSU) <u>http://ow.ly/RY2bX</u>
- Impact of austerity on tax collection (EPSU)* <u>http://ow.ly/RY38h</u>
- The OECD's BEPS Process: 10 Ways forward for developing countries <u>http://ow.ly/RWzcA</u>
- Tax Justice Network Why a global tax body? <u>http://ow.ly/RWzsC</u>
- Press Release PSI calls for new global tax body* <u>http://www.world-psi.org/en/psi-calls-new-global-tax-body</u>

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18:00 – 19:00 DRINKS AND LIGHT FOOD

19:00 – 20:30 FILM SCREENING: THE PRICE WE PAY - directed by Harold Crooks

See trailer: www.thepricewepay.ca

Venue: Room V, ILO, Geneva



DAY 2 - FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

9:00 - 9:20 WELCOME BACK AND SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DAY

Conference Convenor – Daniel Bertossa

9:20 – 11:00 PANEL SESSION 5: UNION AND ALTERNATIVE RESPONSES – BUILDING POWER



Having the tax debate, highlighting the alternatives, who are our allies and what are they doing, telling our stories and building hope for change

Moderator: Daniel Bertossa, Director Policy and Governance, Public Services International (PSI)

EXPOSING THE EXTENT OF ABUSE

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THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST MCDONALDS - UNION CAMPAIGNS AND STRATEGY

Carl Leinonen, Field Director for Global Organizing, SEIU



Carl Leinonen is the Field Director for Global Organizing at SEIU. He develops and coordinates global organizing strategies for SEIU and its international partners. Mr. Leinonen has played a role in organizing campaigns on every continent except Antarctica. An economist by training, he held a teaching position at the University of Massachusetts before becoming an organizer; first with the American Federation of Teachers, and since 1989 with SEIU.



CIVIL SOCIETY ACTION

Adriano Campolina, CEO ActionAid



Adriano Campolina is chief executive of the international development agency ActionAid International. ActionAid works with over 15 million people in 45 countries around the world to end poverty and injustice. As executive director of ActionAid Brazil, Campolina led the transformation of the organisation from a nationally-focused poverty eradication agency to one that also mobilises support domestically and abroad. Between 2004 and 2011 Campolina was international director for ActionAid in the Americas. During this time, he supervised ActionAid's response to the Haiti earthquake. In 2002 and 2003 he led ActionAid's international campaign and advocacy efforts to promote farmers' rights and food security during the trade negotiations at the World Trade Organization.

PANEL SESSION 5 – RESOURCES

- Golden Dodges Report* and PSI Press release Golden Dodges* <u>http://ow.ly/RVJMQ</u>
- RadioLabour interview Golden Dodges http://www.radiolabour.net/bertossa-170315.html
- Unhappy Meal* <u>http://www.world-psi.org/en/report-unhappy-meal</u>
- NSW Nurses and Midwives: Support tax justice & bring the Robin Hood Tax to Australia* <u>http://ow.ly/RY4av</u>
- ASX 200 Tax Report: Who pays for our common wealth report http://ww.ly/RVMKA
- Tax Justice Advocacy: A Toolkit for Civil Society http://www.ly/RVMSH

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11:00 - 11:30 BREAK



DAY 2 - FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

11:30 – 13:00 PANEL SESSION 6: FINDING THE OPPORTUNITIES



Where will the debate go, how can we influence policy, why is labour important?

Facilitator/Speaker: Tove Ryding, Co-ordinator of the Policy and Campaigns Group of The Global Alliance for Tax Justice (GATJ) and Tax Coordinator, EuroDAD. Tove Ryding will also speak on the opportunities in Europe.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR LABOUR IN THE G20 AND OECD

Rudy De Leeuw, ITUC Vice-President and President FGTB, Belgium



Rudy De Leeuw is currently President of the Belgian General Federation of Labour FGTB-ABVV. He is also Vice-President of the ITUC, President of the ITUC Human and Trade Union Rights Committee and member of the ETUC Executive Committee. He was a member of the ILO Governing Body from 2009 to 2014, and he presently is a Trustee of the National Bank of Belgium and member of the Bureau of sp.a (Flemish social-democratic party). From 1995-2006, he was FGTB Federal Secretary, FGTB representative at National Employment Office and the Crossroads Bank of Social Security. He trained as a Secondary School Teacher of Economics and Mathematics and gained a degree in Business Engineering at the University of Leuven.

OPPORTUNITIES IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD

Dereje Alemayehu, Convenor, Global Alliance for Tax Justice



Dereje Alemayehu is Chair of the Global Alliance for Tax Justice and Senior Economic Policy Advisor of Tax Justice Network Africa. He also works as a Senior Economic Justice Advisor to Christian Aid and serves as country director in Burkina Faso, Tanzania and Kenya. Mr. Alemayehu is the author of two books, several articles and book chapters as well as regular blog contributions on development policy, the role of the state in development, governance, accountability, illicit financial flows and tax and development. Prior to his work in the development sector, Mr. Alemayehu was a Lecturer at the Free University in Berlin from 1987-1998 where he holds a MA in Development Studies and PhD in Economics.

GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

Erika Dayle Siu, ICRICT Consultant



Erika Dayle Siu is a Tax and Development Consultant, currently managing the Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICRICT). Erika Dayle Siu has worked for the United Nations Development Programme, where she conducted research for the UN Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters and implemented a project to exchange successful tax practices among developing countries. Most recently, she completed a research programme at the International Centre for Taxation and Development analyzing unitary frameworks for cross border corporate taxation. Ms Dayle Siu is a graduate of New York University Law School Tax Program and member of the New York and New Jersey Bar.

13:00 – 14:30 LUNCH

14:30 – 16:00 SESSION 7: BUILDING A LABOUR STRATEGY

What next? Open discussion.

- Co-ordinating activity
- Strategy and tactics
- Building capacity
- Commitments to act

Facilitator: Daniel Bertossa, Director Policy and Governance, PSI

16:00 - 16:15 CLOSE



THE CONFERENCE TEAM

CONFERENCE CONVENOR:

Daniel Bertossa, Director Policy and Governance, Public Services International (PSI)



Daniel Bertossa is Director of Policy and Governance at Public Services International. Previously he was Director of Policy and Strategy in the Department of Premier and Cabinet, Government of South Australia and a Ministerial Advisor for Public Sector Management, Local Government and Planning, Child Protection and Aboriginal Affairs. Daniel has worked in various roles for trade unions in the public and private sector in the UK, Australia and France and his current work focuses on international trade, tax, public sector and economic policy where he has appeared in the media across three continents. He is a founding member of the Independent Commission for Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICRICT) Steering Committee and is Co-convenor of the global Trade In Services Agreement (TISA) campaign group. Daniel holds a Master's Degree in Public Policy from the Centre for Public Policy, Melbourne University and an Economics Degree from the University of Adelaide. Contact: Daniel.Bertossa@world-psi.org

FACILITATORS AND MODERATORS

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Nadja Salson, Policy Officer for Tax and National Administration, European Federation of Public Service Unions (EPSU)



Nadja Salson is the EPSU Policy Officer for National Administration and Tax. She works at EPSU since 2003. Her current mandate includes coordination of the trade union delegation TUNED in the EU social dialogue committee for central government, migration policy, tax, and prison services. She has a bachelor in social anthropology and an MSc in European studies.

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Public Services International (PSI) - Public Funding/Taxation page: <u>http://www.world-psi.org/tax</u>
Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) – Publications: http://www.fes.de/GPol/en/publications.htm
Independent Commission on Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICRICT): http://www.icrict.org/
Global Alliance for Tax Justice (GATJ): http://www.globaltaxjustice.org/
Tax Justice Network (TJN): <u>http://www.taxjustice.net/</u>
Tax Justice Network – Africa (TJN-Africa): http://www.taxjusticeafrica.net/
Red de Justicia Fiscal de America Latina y el Caribe: http://www.justiciafiscal.org/
Tax Justice Europe: <u>http://www.eurodad.org/</u>
Americans for Tax Fairness: http://www.americansfortaxfairness.org/
Pubic Services International Research Unit (PSIRU): <u>www.psiru.org</u>
European Public Sector Union (EPSU): <u>www.epsu.org</u>
SYNDEX - Strategic Diagnosis for Workers Representatives: <u>http://www.syndex.eu/</u>
United Voice Australian ASX 200 Study: http://www.unitedvoice.org.au/news/who-pays-our-common-wealth
International Tax Justice Academy: http://www.taxjusticeacademy.net/
Finance Uncovered: http://www.financeuncovered.org/
Global Financial Integrity: http://www.gfintegrity.org/
Financial Transparency Coalition: http://financialtransparency.org/
BEPS Monitoring Group: https://bepsmonitoringgroup.wordpress.com/
OECD BEPS Page : http://www.oecd.org/ctp/beps.htm
UN Committee of Experts on International Cooperation on Tax Matters: <u>http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/tax-committee/about-</u> <u>committee-tax-experts.html</u>
IMF Research page: http://www.imf.org/external/research/index.aspx
ActionAid Tax page: http://www.actionaid.org/tax-power
ChristianAid - Tax Justice Toolkit for Civil Society: http://www.christianaid.org.uk/images/completetaxadvocacytoolkit.pdf
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