Global tax reform: the end of the beginning?

Tuesday 3 November, 1 - 2:30 pm
Committee Room 9, Palace of Westminster

Taxation is firmly on the global agenda as a vital issue for developed and developing countries alike. The UK made tax one of the cornerstones of its G8 agenda when it hosted in 2013, and tax has rarely left the headlines since - whether through scandals such as ‘Luxleaks’, the revelation of corporate tax dodging leading to the introduction of the so-called ‘Google tax’, the UN Financing for Development (FfD) negotiations in Addis or, most recently, the publications of the OECD/ G20 Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) action plans.

As we move into a new phase in the international effort to ensure that rich and poor countries alike are able to raise a fair share of taxation from the companies operating within their borders, please join a panel of global experts from across the tax and development sector to discuss progress to date in tackling global tax dodging and the “race to the bottom”, and where the global reform agenda should go next in order to ensure that developing countries, in particular, are not missing out.

Speakers include:

• **Professor Jose Antonio Ocampo**, Director of Economic and Political Development at Columbia University, former UN Under-Secretary-General and Minister of Finance of Colombia, nominee for President of the World Bank and Chair of the Independent Commission for the Reform of Corporate Taxation (ICRICT)

• **Stephen Twigg MP**, chair of the International Development Select Committee

• **Rev. Suzanne Matale**, Ordained Minister in the African Methodist Episcopal Church, General Secretary of the Council of Churches in Zambia, and member of ICRICT

• **Jane McCormick**, KPMG Head of Tax for EMA region

• **Government minister**, (tbc)

• Chaired by: **Vanessa Houlder**, Tax Correspondent for the FT

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Further details and full speaker listing will be available nearer the time.

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