



African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF)

FOUNDING DATE:	19 th November 2009
SECRETARIAT LOCATION:	Pretoria, South Africa
BASIS OF MEMBERSHIP:	The African Continent irrespective of the language and region
TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP:	Full membership only
MEMBERS:	Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Eritrea, Gabon, The Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, Malawi, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe
OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:	French, English, Portuguese
MISSION STATEMENT:	ATAF serves as an African network that aims at improving tax systems in Africa through exchanges, knowledge dissemination, capacity development and active contribution to the regional and global tax agenda. Improved tax systems will increase accountability of the state to its citizens, enhance domestic resource mobilisation and thereby foster inclusive economic growth.
GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE:	The ATAF secretariat performs administrative activities, supports the members with technical assistance and provides the tax organisation with strategic leadership. The secretariat is comprised of the Executive Secretary and staff from three other departments currently representing: tax programmes, research, and strategic partnerships, planning, monitoring and evaluation. These staff members are appointed to the Secretariat by the General Assembly, which meets bi-annually. The general assembly is made up of two senior officials from each member state, one of which must be the head of the tax administration. The General Assembly provides a platform for strategic dialogue between members and stakeholders, appoints office bearers (including the Executive Secretary) and approves work programmes and budgets.

