

Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the NTO Council, we are proud to announce that **the Network of Tax Organisations (NTO) will organise its 1st Technical Conference in the week of 18–22 October 2021** (subject to change). The conference will take place over the course of **three days in a blended format, including online and face-to-face sessions in Rome, Italy**. It will be hosted by the Italian Guardia di Finanza and organised in collaboration with NTO member organisations and the Secretariat of the NTO. The Secretariat of the NTO is facilitated by the International Tax Compact (ITC) and funded by the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Launched in May 2018 in Ottawa, the NTO is a network of nine regional and international tax organisations aiming to develop and promote effective tax systems. The goal of the NTO is to act as a global platform for the exchange of experiences, knowledge, and best practices on tax administration matters.

Under the theme of “Building stronger partnerships to fight tax crime” the 1st NTO Technical Conference will bring together policymakers and practitioners from over 170 revenue administrations to engage in dialogue among tax and law enforcement authorities and discuss strategies and solutions of widening collaborations to tackle tax crime.

The 1st Technical Conference will offer a unique opportunity to explore the role that regional and international tax organisations can play in reinforcing international and inter-institutional cooperation between revenue administrations and other bodies in combating tax offenses. With this, the conference will build upon the past achievements of the NTO and will aim to accelerate the work on fighting tax crimes on a global level.



During the three-day conference, the following topics will be discussed:

- DAY 1 INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS** – Nature of Illicit Financial Flows (IFFs) and their impact on tax administration activities; international resolutions and IFFs in digital economy.
- DAY 2 PRACTICALITIES AND COUNTRY EXPERIENCE** – Best practices and case studies in the context of inter-institutional and international cooperation on the fight against illicit economic-financial phenomena.
- DAY 3 LOOKING FORWARD, FUTURE INITIATIVES** – Lessons learned: needs for improvement in economic-financial investigations; International development efforts in ensuring developing countries' access to global tax initiatives

On behalf of the NTO Council, we kindly invite you to save the dates and are looking forward to welcoming you in Rome in **October 2021!** An official invitation with a detailed programme and further information will be sent in due course.

Yours sincerely,



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