

2020 ATI General Assembly

BACKGROUND

Five years have passed since the launch of the Addis Tax Initiative (ATI) in 2015. Over this time period, the ATI has evolved into an increasingly important player in the field of tax and development. The annual ATI General Assembly is an opportunity to take stock of the ATI's contribution towards financing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This year, the presentation of the ATI Declaration 2025 will provide the opportunity for ATI members to reaffirm their political commitment to implement the Addis Ababa Action Agenda for Financing for Development (AAAA) with special emphasis on actions that improve domestic revenue mobilisation (DRM). In addition, the 2020 ATI General Assembly will see the presentation of the 2018 ATI Monitoring Report, the launch of the online ATI matchmaking platform and the get-together of the new composition of ATI Consultative Groups, which are in line with the ATI post-2020 commitments.

PROGRAMME

BOOSTING POLITICAL COMMITMENT FOR THE ATI DECLARATION 2025 17 NOVEMBER 2020

TIME (CET)	SESSIONS
14:00 – 14:05	<p>Welcome</p> <p><i>Moderation by Nozipho Tshabalala</i></p>
14:05 – 14:10	<p>Opening statements by ATI Co-Chairs</p> <p><i>Laura Wilson, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, United Kingdom</i> <i>Mamadou Gueye, Directorate General of Taxes and Domains, Senegal</i></p>
14:10 – 14:30	<p>Presentation of the ATI Declaration 2025</p> <p>Representatives of the ATI post-2020 Task Force will present the ATI Declaration 2025. After a first presentation of the process that accompanied the drafting of the document, they will highlight the key strategic elements and shed light on strategies to vitalise and create momentum for the new agenda.</p>
14:30 – 14:45	<p>Keynote address</p> <p>The keynote address will shed light on the significance of the ATI Declaration 2025 for the financing of the SDGs. Five years after the launch of the AAAA and the first ATI Declaration, it will assess the continued importance of the ATI and of the implementation of the ATI Declaration 2025 as a crucial enabler of collective action for enhancing DRM to close the SDG financing gap.</p> <p><i>Logan Wort, Executive Secretary, African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF)</i></p>

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14:45 – 14:55	<p>Video with high-level political statements on the ATI Declaration 2025</p> <p>A compilation of pre-recorded political statements of high-level representatives from ATI partner countries, development partners and ATI supporting organisations will be presented.</p> <p><i>Speakers tbc</i></p>
14:55 – 15:30	<p>High-level political statements on the ATI Declaration 2025</p> <p>High-level representatives from ATI partner countries, development partners and supporting organisations will have the opportunity to announce their support to the ATI Declaration 2025. These remarks will also allow ATI members to highlight specific elements of the ATI Declaration 2025 that are particularly relevant for their respective country or organisation.</p> <p><i>Speakers tbc</i></p>
15:30 – 15:50	<p>Open dialogue</p> <p>ATI members will have the opportunity to raise questions and provide inputs on the ATI Declaration 2025.</p>
15:50 – 15:55	<p>Next steps</p> <p>The ITC Secretariat will outline next steps with regards to the development of the framework and the mode of collaboration in the ATI post-2020.</p> <p><i>Stefanie Rauscher, ITC Coordinator</i></p>
15:55 – 16:00	<p>Closing by ATI Co-Chairs</p>

TACKLING STOCK AND SHARING GOOD PRACTICES ON ENHANCING DRM 18 NOVEMBER 2020

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09:00 – 09:10	<p>Welcome and opening</p>
09:10 – 09:30	<p>Presentation of the 2018 ATI Monitoring Report</p> <p>The presentation of the 2018 ATI Monitoring Report will provide insights on the progress made by ATI member countries towards meeting the commitments agreed upon in 2015. It will enable peer-learning through the dissemination of good practices and identify regional and topical trends in the area of DRM.</p>
09:30 – 09:50	<p>Q&A session on the 2018 ATI Monitoring Report</p>

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09:50 – 10:00	<p>Launch of the ATI matchmaking platform</p> <p>The ITC Secretariat will present the new online ATI matchmaking platform, which aims to support and promote collaboration between the ATI members by pairing countries and organisations according to their support needs and available expertise.</p>
10:00 – 10:15	<p>Q&A session on the ATI matchmaking platform</p>
10:15 – 10:45	<p>Spotlight on ATI members' work and success stories on DRM</p> <p>This session will provide a platform for ATI members to present good practices and success stories. It will also give space for announcements about upcoming events, initiatives and relevant products.</p>
10:45 – 10:55	<p>Q&A session</p>
10:55 – 11:00	<p>Closing by ATI Co-Chairs</p>

TIME (CET) SESSION 2

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WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW ATI COMMITMENTS
19 NOVEMBER 2020

TIME (CET)	SESSIONS
09:00 – 11:00	<p>Meeting of ATI Consultative Group 1</p> <p>The newly constituted ATI Consultative Group 1 will meet for the first time to discuss about equitable tax policies as well as efficient, effective and transparent revenue administrations to enhance DRM.</p> <p><i>Facilitation by the ITC Secretariat</i></p>
09:00 – 11:00	<p>Meeting of ATI Consultative Group 2</p> <p>The newly constituted ATI Consultative Group 2 will meet for the first time to discuss about DRM cooperation for country-owned tax reforms.</p> <p><i>Facilitation by the ITC Secretariat</i></p>
15:00 – 17:00	<p>Meeting of ATI Consultative Group 3</p> <p>The newly constituted ATI Consultative Group 3 will meet for the first time to discuss about fostering DRM and combating illicit financial flows through coherent and coordinated policies.</p> <p><i>Facilitation by the ITC Secretariat</i></p>
15:00 – 17:00	<p>Meeting of ATI Consultative Group 4</p> <p>The newly constituted ATI Consultative Group 4 will meet for the first time to discuss about enhancing space and capacity for accountability stakeholders in partner countries to engage in tax and revenue matters.</p> <p><i>Facilitation by the ITC Secretariat</i></p>

ORGANISATION

The event is organised and facilitated by the International Tax Compact (ITC) in its function as Secretariat of the ATI and funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). The ITC Secretariat will share a link with all ATI members for the online registration portal one week prior to the event.

All sessions will be held via Microsoft Teams, a video conferencing tool that ensures high-quality privacy and security standards. All sessions will be held in English, with individual inputs by francophone ATI member countries. Simultaneous interpretation English-French will be provided on the first day of the 2020 ATI General Assembly.

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