

Technical Workshop

Carbon Tax: Design and Implementation in Practice

Agenda

Wednesday, March 22, 2017

Taj Mahal Hotel, New Delhi, India

A number of PMR Participants are considering, designing or have implemented carbon taxes. Reflecting this interest, the PMR has developed a “**Carbon Tax Guide: a Handbook for Policy Makers**”. The Guide will be launched at a lunch time event, followed by the workshop that will provide an update on the latest carbon tax developments around the world, and deepen participants’ understanding of the design and implementation of carbon taxes. The workshop will build upon previous workshops in Cologne (May 2014) and Zurich (March 2016), and provide an opportunity to hear more from those PMR Participants who have direct experience in the design and implementation of carbon taxes.

Luncheon: Launch of the Carbon Tax Guide	
12.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Mr. Venkata Ramana Putti, Practice Manager, Carbon Markets and Innovation, World Bank Group</i> - An introduction to the Carbon Tax Guide <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Mr. Darragh Conway, Climate Focus</i>
Welcome and Introduction	
14.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcoming remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Mr. Venkata Ramana Putti, Practice Manager, Carbon Markets and Innovation, World Bank Group</i> - Objectives of the event and presentation of the agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Ms. Pauline Kennedy, PMR Secretariat</i>
Session 1: Getting started with a carbon tax	
<p><i>In this session, participants will explore the considerations that go into deciding whether to adopt a carbon tax and, once a decision has been made, in setting the policy objectives, understanding the relevant national context and determining the principles that will be used to guide the design process. A number of participants will share their experiences in this regard.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Adele Morris, Brookings Institution</p>	
14.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Mr. Kenneth Richards, Indiana University</i> - Panel discussion] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Mr. Nelson Pães, Brazil</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Darryl Chua, Singapore - Q&A
15:15	Coffee/Tea
<p>Session 2: Define the tax base</p> <p><i>In this session, participants will explore an important design choice for a carbon tax – defining the tax base, including discussion on how to decide what emissions are covered, the point of obligation and who will be responsible for paying the tax. Again, several PMR participants will share their experiences and lessons learnt in setting the tax base and rate in their national context.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Frederico Gil Sander, World Bank</p>	
15:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Darragh Conway, Climate Focus - Panel discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Sharlin Hemraj, South Africa ○ Mr. Saul Pereyra, Mexico ○ Mr. Richard Purnell, British Columbia - Q&A
<p>Session 3: Define the tax rate</p> <p><i>In this session, participants will explore another important design choice - determining the tax rate and how this might change over time. Several PMR Participants will also share their experiences in this regard.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Richard Purnell, British Columbia</p>	
16.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Kenneth Richards, Indiana University ○ Ms. Adele Morris, Brookings Institution - Panel discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Ulrika Raab, Sweden ○ Mr. Juan Pedro Searle, Chile ○ Mr. Dipak Dasgupta, India - Q&A
<p>Session 4: Climate Action Peer Exchange Initiative</p> <p><i>In this session, participants will hear about the Climate Action Peer Exchange Initiative, a program to develop and facilitate exchanges of experience and knowledge among peers of Ministries of Finance in the development and operationalization of fiscal policies to implement the NDCs.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Adrien de Bassompierre, PMR Secretariat</p>	
18.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Climate Action Peer Exchange Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Frederico Gil Sander, World Bank - Q&A
Closing session	

18:20	Closing remarks - <i>Mr. Adrien de Bassompierre, PMR Secretariat</i>
18:30	Close of workshop