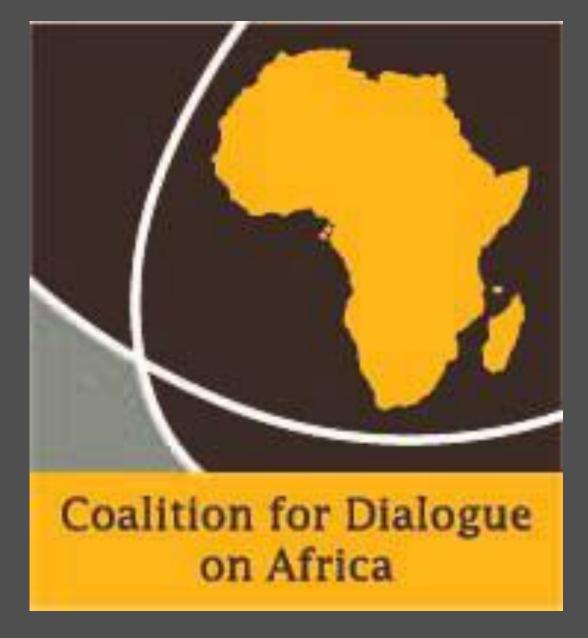
CoDA Technical Committee on Domestic Resource Mobilization

Presentation at the First African Fiscal Policy Forum, 16 December 2021

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Chair, CoDA Technical Committee on Domestic Resource Mobilization



Introduction to the CoDA Technical Committee on Domestic Resource Mobilization

- Inaugurated on 5 May 2021 to boost the capacity of African governments to adopt and implement efficient fiscal policies as the basis for better resource mobilization
- Assists CoDA in provide a clear and convincing African voice to ensure, among others, that the international tax regime is more transparent and fairer to Africa

Objectives of CODA Technical Committee on Domestic Resource Mobilization

- Overseeing the development and dissemination of technical and policy papers developed to support advice to governments on fiscal policy and domestic resource mobilization
- Engaging African governments, the African Union, and the international community through diplomatic advocacy and policy dialogues in pursuit of its objectives
- Providing guidance to the Secretariat of the High-Level Panel on Illicit
 Financial Flows from Africa with the aim of commissioning relevant research
 papers to effectively influence policies and decision-making
- Supporting diplomatic and media campaigns for intergovernmental processes including by the African Union in support of resource mobilization efforts of Member States

Membership of the Technical Committee

- Chair: H.E. Dr Hakim Ben Hammouda, Former Finance Minister of Tunisia
- Alternate Chair: Dr Adeyemi Dipeolu, Special Advisor to the President of Nigeria on Economic Matters
- Other members
 - ✓ H.E. Dr Maxwell Mkwezalamba
 - ✓ Prof. Jomo Kwame Sundaram
 - ✓ Mr Bouna Sylla
 - ✓ Ms Souad Aden Osman, representing CoDA Secretariat
 - ✓ Prof. Sylvain Boko, representing CoDA Secretariat

Activities of CODA Technical Committee on Domestic Resource Mobilization in 2021

- National assessments of efforts by African countries to curtail IFFs
- Publications
 - ✓ Financing Post-COVID Relief, Recovery and Reform in Africa: Examining the Impacts of SDR Channeling from High-Income Countries
 - ✓ Would the Global Minimum Tax Help or Hurt Africa: Examining the Implications for Africa
 - ✓ Fiscal Policy and Domestic Resource Mobilization in Africa in the face of the COVID-19 Pandemic

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Position Papers

- A Proposal for the Reallocation of Unused SDRs of Higher-Income Countries to Support Africa's Post-COVID Relief, Recovery and Reform Efforts
- An Urgent Call for Debt Relief for Africa in the Face of COVID-19
- Africa Common Position on the Global Minimum Corporate Tax

Webinars and Policy Dialogues

- Africa's Debt Relief and Revenue Mobilization, 3 June 2021
 The discussions focused on two paper presentations:
- 1. Financing Post-COVID Relief, Recovery and Reform in Africa: Examining the Impacts of SDR Channeling from High-income Countries
- 2. Would the Global Minimum Tax Help or Hurt Africa: Examining the Implications for Africa

The OECD/G20 and Inclusive Framework on BEPS Proposal

- Pillar One: to provide taxing rights to market jurisdictions on part of the residual profits earned by multinational enterprise groups with an annual global turnover exceeding €20 billion and 10 percent profitability
- Pillar Two: Global minimum tax rate to ensure global business income is subject to an agreed minimum rate of income tax

The UN FACTI Panel Recommendations

- The proposal of Article 12B of the United Nations Model Tax Convention, as agreed by the United Nations Tax Committee at its 22nd Session
- 14 recommendations to reform, redesign and revitalize the global architecture, so it can effectively foster financial integrity for sustainable development
- More inclusive, more relevant to the needs of global south countries
- Has considered recommendations from some of these countries

Africa's role in the G20/International Finance Proposals

- African leaders not involved in the processes: negotiations were conducted at the steering group stage with only 4 African countries (South Africa, Nigeria, Ivory Coast & Senegal) involved
- Only Nigeria and South Africa were actively engaged in the negotiation
- Most African countries did not participate in the negotiations, yet they signed
- Two African countries (Nigeria and Kenya) did not endorse the G20/ international finance proposals

Implications for African Countries and Recommendations for Next Steps

- The current international tax framework being considered will have a negative impact on the future of Africa's revenue
- African countries will find it difficult to meet the SDGs
- We need coordinated political approach to protect Africa's interest in the global processes
- Global processes to curb IFFs should be inclusive and consider the peculiarities of African countries
- African countries that have endorsed the inclusive framework deal should review their decisions and pursue a fairer deal