



AFRICAN TAX ADMINISTRATION FORUM



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The Case for Domestic Resource Mobilization

1. Less volatile
2. Enables country ownership
3. Reduces reliance on external flows
4. Incentive for accountability
5. Reduces vulnerability to revenue losses from trade reforms



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Measures to strengthen domestic revenue mobilization

1. Improve fiscal policies
2. gradual approach to trade liberalization
3. Improve tax and customs administration
4. Good governance



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ATAF beginnings – Pretoria 2008 Communiqué

“The goal of our meeting was to lay a strong basis for a new approach to taxation, state building and capacity development of African Tax Administrations and the launch of an African Tax Administration Forum”.



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Objectives of ATAF

1. Recognize role of tax administration
2. Establish culture of professionalism
3. Promote and facilitate mutual co-operation among African tax administrations
4. Identify measures against tax evasion and avoidance
5. Establish best practice
6. Co-ordinate capacity development



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Strategies for achieving objectives

1. Sharing information and experiences
2. Dialogue with key partners for support
3. Ensuring greater synergy and co-operation in capacity development
4. Research analysis of African tax policy and systems
5. Specific Technical Events



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LAUNCH OF ATAF

VENUE:

KAMPALA, UGANDA

DATE:

19TH NOVEMBER 2009