# Health versus Wealth?

Tax and Transparency in the Age of COVID-19

**Thursday 28th of May 2020, 13.00 - 15.30 (UCT, Coordinated Universal Time)**

Lima 8 a.m., Washington DC 9 a.m., London 2 p.m., Brussels 3 p.m., Nairobi 4 p.m., New Delhi 6.30 p.m., Manila 9 p.m.

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| 13.00 – 13.05 | **Introduction**  
- Sargon Nissan, Financial Transparency Coalition (FTC)  
- Susana Ruiz, Oxfam and Co-Chair of The Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICRICT) |
| 13.05 – 13.15 | **Keynote remarks**  
*Fiscal challenges & Risks for Developing Countries*  
- Professor Jayati Ghosh  
  Professor at Jawaharlal Nehru University and ICRICT Commissioner  
*The impact of the crisis on workers and the public sector*  
- Rosa Pavanelli  
  General Secretary of Public Services International (PSI) |
| 13.15 – 14.00 | **Panel 1 - Increasing domestic revenue mobilization from corporate taxation**  
*On the options for increasing corporation tax in the face of the Crisis.*  
- Logan Wort, African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF)  
*A proposal for excess profit taxation on corporations – ‘Pillar 3’*  
- Professor Allison Christians, McGill University, Canada |

**Respondents**

- Rajat Bansal, Department of Revenue, India  
- Wayne Swan, Former Finance Minister of Australia and ICRICT Commissioner

Moderated by Severine Picard from the Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD
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| 14.00 – 14.45 | Panel 2 – Revenue-raising from wealth & ensuring it reaches intended beneficiaries | Issues & corruption-related challenges related to anticipated Covid-19 expenditure  
- **Professor Susan Rose-Ackerman** Professor at Yale Law School, United States  
- **Professor Ingrid Woolard** Stellenbosch University, South Africa  
On the potential for a South African wealth tax  
- **Hakim Hamadi** Global Forum, OECD  
- **Neeti Biyani** Centre for Budget and Governance Accountability India (FTC member)  
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Moderated by **Max Heywood** - Transparency International (FTC member) |
| 14.45 – 14.50 | Video Case Study - Argentina’s new Beneficial Ownership Register law   | **Veronica Grondona** Chief of International Taxation  
**Argentine Revenue Authority (AFIP)** |
| 14.50 – 15.30 | Tax and Transparency in the Age of Covid – What have we learned?       | - **Alex Cobham**, Tax Justice Network (FTC member)  
- **Marilou Uy**, Group of Twenty-Four on International Monetary Affairs and Development (G-24)  
- **Samuel Makwe**, Counsellor at Nigeria’s Permanent Mission to the United Nations Headquarters  
- **Selected speakers from previous sessions**  
Moderated by **Susana Ruiz** - Oxfam |
| 15.30 – 15.35 | Wrap-up                                                               | **Daniel Bertossa**, Public Services International |

**Press Conference** Priorities for tax and transparency reform in the Age of Covid-19  
- **Sargon Nissan** – Financial Transparency Coalition  
- **Susana Ruiz** – Oxfam and co-chair, The Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICR ICT)  
- **Daniel Bertossa**, Public Services International  
- **Tommaso Facio** – The Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICR ICT)