

Draft Program Outline

The Fight for African Women Tax Justice

5th and 6th September 2018.

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Time	Theme and guiding questions/Activity	Speakers/Facilitators/Panellists	Moderator
08:00-08:30	Registrations		
08.30-08.45	Welcome	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Erfried Adam – Director, FES AU Cooperation Office. (<i>4mins</i>)2. Irene Nonhlanhla Khumalo, WOC Chair, AAC, PSI. (<i>4mins</i>)3. Sani Baba, Regional Secretary, AAC, PSI. (<i>4mins</i>)	Everline Aketch, Sub-Regional Secretary, ESA, PSI
08.45 – 09.00	Program objectives and working methods	Everline Aketch, Sub-Regional Secretary, ESA, PSI	
09.00 – 10.30	<p><i>Tax Justice: the international debates and where we are with the fight to end IFFs.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What are the fundamental underpinnings of the call for tax justice and its gender implications.2. How much has been lost to IFFs in the continent and what that could have	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Veronica Montufar, Gender Equality Officer, PSI (<i>10mins</i>)➤ Crystal Simeoni, Head of Advocacy and Economic Justice lead, FEMNET. (<i>10mins</i>)	➤ Ritta Thandeka Msibi, 1st Deputy President, AAC, PSI

	<p>achieved in public services for the full realization of women’s humans rights</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. What has been the key successes and failures in the campaign to an end to IFFs 4. What are the recent key global development in the Anti-IFF agenda and what are their implications for gender equality? 5. What can be done to increase and improve the gender approach and role of women and women groups in the Anti-IFFs campaigns. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Margaret Brew-Ward, Campaigns and Advocacy Manager, Actionaid Ghana. (10mins) 	
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break		
11.00 – 12.30	<p><i>Tax policy: Relevance and impact on the working woman.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the fundamental relevance of tax in delivering quality public services. 2. Why is tax and quality public service nexus a gender issue. 3. To what extent can we push for a tax policy that response to the needs of women. 4. What are the success stories and the lessons to be learned? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Everline Aketch, Sub-Regional Secretary, ESA, PSI. (10mins) ➤ Caroline Othim, Campaigns and Policy Coordinator, Africa, GATJ. (10mins) ➤ Veronica Montufar, Gender Equality Officer, PSI. (10mins) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ghislaine Arlette Marielle Saizonou Broohm, ITUC Africa
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch		
13.30 – 14.30	<p><i>The International Financial architecture: Tax and the Rights of Women.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Joy Ndubai, Oxfam, Kenya. (10mins) ➤ Crystal Simeoni, Head of Advocacy and Economic Justice lead, FEMNET. (10mins) 	<p>Leah Mugehera, Oxfam Pan Africa Programme</p>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the fundamental flaws in the international tax governance. 2. How do we confront the notions, “Tax is neutral”; “tax is technical”. 3. Who must do what? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Stella Nasirumbi, BEPs Monitoring Group. (10mins) 	
14.30 – 15.00	Coffee Break		
15.00 – 17.00	<p><i>Progressive Tax Policies and the achievements of the SDGs and UNCSW agreed conclusions</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are the SDGs attainable within the current state of the fiscal policies in the continent 2. How does the call for effective domestic resource mobilization response to the need to achieve the SDGs? 3. What are the fundamental challenges in terms of domestic resource mobilization in the continent. 4. How can these challenges be addressed with lessons from some of the success stories both in the Global South and the north? 5. What proposals must states consider in improving on efficiency and effectiveness. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Joy Ndubai, Oxfam, Kenya. (10mins) ➤ Ghislaine Saizonou-Broohm, ITUC Africa. (10mins) ➤ Irene Nonhlanhla Khumalo, Regional WOC Chair, AAC, PSI (10mins) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Melder Ogutu, Women Titular for East and West Africa, PSI
	Closing		

Day 2, 6th September 2018

Time	Theme and Guiding Questions/Activity	Speakers/Facilitators/Panellists	Moderator
08:00-08:30	Recap of Day 1		
08.30 – 10.00	<p><i>In whose interest is private Investments in Public Services: a gender analysis</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What explains the current spate of private interest in investment in public services? 2. Who are the interest groups? 3. What are the impediments to State investments in public services 4. What are the main concerns of citizens, with privatization of public services 5. Can the tax justice campaign be a response to an end to privatization? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Everline Aketch, Sub-Regional Secretary, ESA, PSI. <i>(10mins)</i> ➤ Juliet Nakato Odoi, Director of Programs, FAWODE. <i>(10mins)</i> ➤ Matilda Kimetto, Organizing Secretary, UKGWU. <i>(10mins)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Nigest Haile, Executive Director, CAWEE.
10.00 – 10.30	Coffee Break		
10.30 – 12.00	<p><i>Making the Tax Justice campaign a women's movement</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the communication bottlenecks with the tax justice campaign? 2. How do we unpack the concepts and issues to relate it to the daily struggles of women? 3. How can we take advantage of the new media to communicate in simpler terms? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Regina Navuga, SEATINI. <i>(10mins)</i> ➤ Leah Mugehera, Oxfam, Pan Africa Programme. <i>(10mins)</i> ➤ Everlyne Agyepong Twumasi, Regional Women's Coordinator, PUWU. <i>(10mins)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Shani Rashid Kibwasali, TALGWU
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch		

13.30 – 14.30	<p><i>International collaboration and Solidarity</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who are the key stakeholders in the Anti-IFFs campaign landscape? 2. What have been achieved so far, through the collaboration 3. What are the key challenges to collaboration and international solidarity? 4. Could a new way of working be developed in order to achieve more? 5. How can an improved Trade Union and CSO collaboration help influence key national and regional institutions to implement progressive tax policies? 6. What is the role of the AU in fostering a cohesive approach to dealing with the fight against IFFs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Daniel Oberko, Tax Justice Organizer, AAC, PSI. (10mins) ➤ Matilda Kimetto, Organizing Secretary, KCGWU. (10mins) ➤ Margaret Brew-Ward, Campaigns and Advocacy Manager, Actionaid Ghana. (10mins) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ghislaine Arlette Marielle Saizonou Broohm, ITUC Africa
14.30 – 15.30	<p><i>Presentation of key recommendations</i></p>	Michelle Mbuthia, TJA, Kenya	