



Seminar: International Tax Policy in a Post-Pillar World

In October 2021, close to 140 jurisdictions, reached a landmark agreement on a two-pillar solution to address the tax challenges of the digitalisation of the economy. Design work on Pillar One is scheduled to conclude this summer and the main part of Pillar Two is already in the implementation phase. While substantial time and effort still needs to be invested on issues of implementation, it is now also a good time to look ahead and ask where the focus for international tax cooperation should be in the wake of and beyond BEPS and the two pillar solution? Is continued and additional reform needed or should focus shift to competitiveness issues including consolidation and simplification? The Swedish Ministry of Finance arranges a dialogue on this issue. The event will take place in Stockholm on June 9.

Since the financial crisis the main focus of international cooperation on tax has been on fighting tax evasion, ending bank secrecy and tax havens, addressing tax avoidance by multinational corporations and updating and stabilising the international taxation framework. The Global Forum on Transparency and Exchange of Information for Tax Purposes has been established. The BEPS Project has developed extensive measures against base erosion and profit shifting. The Inclusive Framework on BEPS has been established. The main body of work on the two-pillar solution to address the tax challenges arising from the digitalisation of the economy is soon done.

What should the international tax community focus on in the coming years? Are there additional major international tax reforms that needs urgent attention? Or is this the time to reflect on what has been done and analyse whether the work now provides an opportunity to shift focus to increase competitiveness through measures to simplify and reduce or eliminate potentially duplicative measures? Should focus to some extent shift back to issues that the global business community has identified as important to reduce compliance costs and increase efficiency and competitiveness?

The seminar will be held in a hybrid format so participation can be either in person or virtual.

Register for the seminar by e-mail to fi.ska.seminarium@regeringskansliet.se, at the latest Monday the 5th of June. Please state in your e-mail whether you intend to participate in person or virtually. The number of both physical and virtual participants are limited, and seats will be filled on a first registration basis.

Date and time

- 9 June 2023, 09:30 - 11:30 (registration between 09:00-09:30)

Place

- Jakobsgratan 24, 11152 Stockholm

Program

Time	Topic
09:00-09:30	Registration and coffee
09:30-09:40	Introduction <i>Carolina Lindholm</i> , State Secretary to the Finance Minister
09:40-09:50	Background <i>Ingela Willfors</i> , Director, Ministry of Finance
09:50-11:00	Panel discussion <u>Moderator</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Ingela Willfors</i>, Director, Ministry of Finance <u>Panellists</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Niklas Ekstrand</i>, Director General, Tax and Customs Department, Ministry of Finance• <i>Achim Pross</i>, Deputy Director, OECD• <i>Johan Fall</i>, Head of Tax, Confederation of Swedish Enterprise• <i>Jesper Barenfeld</i>, Head of Tax, AB Volvo
11:00-11:20	Questions
11:20-11:30	Closing remarks <i>Carolina Lindholm</i> , State Secretary to the Finance Minister