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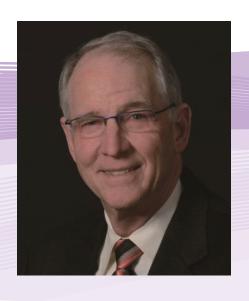
Ali Ehsani received his BS and MS Degrees in Information
Technology, and his PhD Degree in Business Intelligence (BI).
He has over 9 years' experience in the Iranian National Tax
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Babatunde Oladapo

Babatunde Oladapo is the Executive Secretary of the West African Tax Administration Forum (WATAF) and he is also a Chartered Tax practitioner. Over twenty years' working experience as a tax administrator at the Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS), Nigeria has taken him through the field office tax operations, taxpayers' relationship management and development of the corporate communications function of the Nigerian, national Tax Authority. He is the pioneer Executive Secretary of the WATAF where he oversees the day-to-day administration of the Forum's secretariat operation. Under his watch, WATAF has grown into a voice to listen to at international fora on matters relating to tax administration in West Africa. Aside other interests, he is a consummate public speaker and a lover of the outdoors whose professional calling cuts across the field of Public Relations, Journalism, Personnel Management and recently, Humanitarian and Refugees Studies.



Brian J. Arnold

Brian J. Arnold is Senior Adviser, Canadian Tax Foundation, Toronto. He is a graduate of Harvard Law School (J.D., 1969) and taught tax law at a Canadian law school for 28 years. He has been a consultant to various governments (Australia, Canada, Indonesia, Mongolia, New Zealand, and South Africa), the OECD, and the United Nations. He was a Visiting Professor at Harvard Law School from 2005 to 2011 and at New York University School of Law in 2005 and 2012, and has also taught international tax courses at the University of Sydney and the University of Melbourne for many years. He is the author of several books and articles on tax issues, including the International Tax Primer, 4th edition (Kluwer, 2019) and (with Graeme S. Cooper and Hugh J. Ault) Comparative International Taxation: A Structural Analysis (New York: Aspen Publishers (forthcoming)). He was a member of the Permanent Scientific Committee of the International Fiscal Association (IFA) from 2000 to 2009.





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Chris Sanger is EY's Global Tax Leader for Government, and Tax Policy Leader for the EMEIA Tax Centre and the UK. Chris has extensive experience in advising governments, including as Head of Business Tax Policy in the UK's HM Treasury. He is Chairman of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales's Tax Technical and Oversight Committee and founder of its Policy Committee; a Council Member of the Institute of Fiscal Studies and chair of the Forum of Tax Professionals, from where he advises UK Ministers on the making of tax policy. Chris is also a member of United Nations' Subcommittee on Extractive Industries Taxation Issues for Developing Countries and has given evidence to various parliamentary and governmental committees.





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Christian Kaeser is the Global Head of Tax and Corporate Vice President at Siemens since 2009, based in Munich, Germany. He is responsible for global community of appr. 700 tax and customs experts. Christian is the chairman of the Tax Commission of the International Chamber of Commerce, the chairman of the Tax Commission of the German Federation of Industries (BDI) and president of the German Branch of the International Fiscal Association (IFA). He is also the chairman of the supervisory board of WTS AG, a German based tax advisory company and member of the advisory board of the BRITACOM. He is the co-editor of a commentary on Double-Taxation-Treaties and of various German tax journals, including the Beck.digitax which exclusively focuses on digitalization in tax.



David Linke

David Linke is the Global Head of Tax and Legal for KPMG and a member of the Global Management Team for KPMG. David was previously the National Managing Partner of Deal Advisory, Tax and Legal for KPMG Australia. He was previously an elected member of the Australian board of partners and was the firm's ASPAC Tax and Legal leader. Prior to that role David lead the M&A Tax team and he has over 19 years' experience in advising financial sponsors and Australian listed companies on transactions as well as international and M&A tax. David's client base included a range of financial sponsors, private equity firms, sovereign wealth funds and major listed corporations. David holds degrees of Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Laws. He is Member of Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and Fellow of the Tax Institute.





Edwin Visser

Edwin Visser is Tax Policy leader for the EMEA region and of PwC Europe. He is also member of the global tax policy core team. His practice includes representing PwC in tax policy matters (e.g. with the EU institutions and the OECD), sharing his and PwC's vast experience and insights with policymakers to help improve tax, legal and regulatory systems for the future. He provides strategic advice to boardrooms to help shaping sustainable tax strategies, and is engaged in tax government consulting (advising governments on tax matters). Edwin has 26 years's experience in the Dutch government. He was Deputy Director-General for Tax and Customs Policy and Legislation and Director for Direct Taxes at the Dutch Ministry of Finance.



Farhad Ali Yoldashi

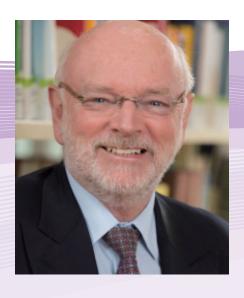
Farhad Ali Yoldashi is a senior tax expert with 15 years of experience, working alongside the executive team of the Iranian National Tax Administration (INTA). He is currently working at the Office for Tax Processes Design and Analysis. Moreover, he is a researcher and university lecturer with over 15 years of teaching experience. He graduated from the Mazandaran University of Science and Technology (Babol/Iran) in 2005 with a master's degree in Industrial Engineering. His areas of expertise include futures studies, digital transformation, processes analysis & re-engineering, strategic/tactical planning, and stakeholder management. Mr. Yoldashi uses his positive attitudes and tireless energy to encourage others to work hard and succeed. He is enthusiastic about using progressive systems and applications, including tax software, mass communication procedures and organizational apps. He enjoys using his skills to contribute to the exciting technological advances that happen every day in the world of tax.





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Jeffrey Owens is the Director, WU Global Tax Policy Center (WU GTPC), Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law, Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU). He is an advisor to the European Investment Bank, World Bank and a number of regional tax administration organizations. Jeffrey has membership of the Institute of Management Accountants, UK and the International Institute of Public Finance. For over 20 years, Jeffrey led the OECD tax work, initiated the dialogue with the G20 on taxation and oversaw the G20 and OECD initiative to improve tax transparency, laying the foundation for the Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS). He has made numerous contributions to professional journals and published a number of books including OECD publications on taxation. He has a doctorate degree at Cambridge University.





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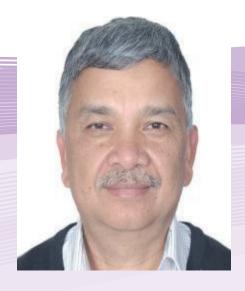
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Qinghai Tang is Deputy Director-General of the Department of Taxpayer Service Department, State Taxation Administration (STA) of the People's Republic of China. He is in charge of the Tax Law Promotion Division and plays an active role in the implementation of tax relief, large-scale combined tax and fee preferential policies for small and medium-sized enterprises in the manufacturing industry, as well as the 12366 tax service hotline to answer taxpayers' questions and concerns, which is widely praised by taxpayers. He is also in charge of the Tax Credit Management Division and actively promotes the interaction between tax administrations and banking sector to provide an important platform for small and medium-sized enterprises to obtain loans. He joined the taxation authority in August 1995 and holds a Master's degree from the School of Management, Harbin Institute of Technology, China.



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Rup B. Khadka is a Nepalese taxation specialist. He has more than 30 years of experience in value-added tax, excise tax, income taxes, customs duties, property tax, inter-governmental fiscal transfers, capacity-building, taxpayer education, etc. He holds a doctorate degree in taxation and has published many articles and books at home and abroad. He has served as a tax policy and administrative consultant in about 25 countries and is familiar with the tax systems of various countries. He was appointed as the Chairman of the High Level Tax System Review Commission and member of many high level Fiscal Reform Taskforces and Committees appointed by the Government of Nepal.





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Tyson Fawcett works at Australian Taxation Office with over 30 years of experience. He is the leader of the Association of Dispute Resolution. Australian Taxation Office has taken him as a tax inspector, criminal investigator, data analyst and many other positions. He is with extensive theoretical and practical experience in the field of combating serious non-compliance and malicious tax planning. He received the Bachelor of Taxation and Master of International Taxation at University of New South Wales, Sydney, and Certificate IV in Government (Investigation) at Charles Sturt University.





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