Green taxation as key for sustainable fiscal reform

The French context and European perspectives

A conference organised by
Green Budget Europe and the Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI)

29 - 30 October 2012

Sciences Po · 28, rue des Saints-Pères · 75006 Paris

The conference will be held in French and English with simultaneous interpretation
DAY 1 – 29 October 2012

Why is green taxation key for sustainable fiscal reform?

14h30-16h00  Opening:  
Michel Colombier – Scientific Director, IDDRI  
Constanze Adolf – Director Brussels Office, Green Budget Europe

Keynote: Why is green taxation key for sustainable fiscal reform  
Professor Stephen Smith – Professor of Economics at University College London, Executive Dean of the UCL Faculty of Social and Historical Sciences

Keynote: Greener Taxes, Greener Budgets: On the way to a Greener Economy in a Greener and Fairer Europe  
Dr. Anselm Görres – President, Green Budget Europe

Comments:  
Carola Maggiulli – Team leader on environmental taxation, European Commission

Questions & Answers

Chair: Michel Colombier – Scientific Director, IDDRI

16h00-16h30  Tea & Coffee

What role for green taxation in the French broader fiscal reform?

16h30-18h00  Industry: Thierry Kalfon – Director of Strategy, Economy and Tariffs, GDF SUEZ  
Administration: Henri Lamotte – Contrôle général économique et financier, Ministry of Economy, Finance and External trade  
Academia: Jean-Charles Hourcade – Director, CIRED (International research Center for Environment and Development)

Questions & Answers

Chair: Vincent Marcus – Head of Unit, Bureau of Fiscal Studies, Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and the Sea
Green Fiscal Reformer of the Year Awards Ceremony

18h00-19h30  Introducing Green Budget Europe: Jacqueline Cottrell – Green Budget Europe Manager and Constanze Adolf – Director Brussels Office Green Budget Europe

Green Fiscal Reformer of the Year Awards Ceremony

Laudation: Hans Eichel – German Minister of Finance 1999-2005

Followed by a networking Cocktail

20h00  Conference dinner (for invited speakers and participants upon receipt of payment)

DAY 2 – 30 October 2012

Green fiscal reforms and equity issues:
Experiences from EU Member States

09h00-10h30  Redistributive issues: Lucas Chancel – Research Fellow, IDDRI

Swedish case study: Susanne Åkerfeldt – Senior Advisor, Ministry of Finance Sweden

Irish case study: Deirdre Joyce – Policy Intern at the University College Dublin

Comments:

Gaël Callonnec – Economist, French Agency for Environment and Energy Management (ADEME)

Questions & Answers

Chair: Lynda Mansson – Director General, Mava Foundation

10h30-11h00  Tea & Coffee
Challenges and potentials of Environmental Fiscal Reforms in the crisis context

11h00-12h30  Taxation and Green Growth: Pascal Saint-Amans – Director of the Centre for Tax Policy and Administration, OECD

  Environmental harmful subsidies: Lorelei Limousin – Climate and Transport Policy Officer and Project Manager “Stop environmentally harmful subsidies”, Climate Action Network

  Italian case study: Aldo Ravazzi Douvan – Italian Ministry for Environment, Land & Sea; GBE Vice-President; Co-Chair-Elected of the OECD Committee for Environmental-Economic Country Reviews

  Fiscal consolidation: John Ward – Director, Vivid Economics

  Comments:
  Dominique Bureau – Economic Advisor to the French Minister of Environment, Sustainable Development and Energy

Questions & Answers

  Chair: Pieter de Pous – Policy Director, European Environmental Bureau

12h30-14h30  Lunch (for invited speakers and participants upon receipt of payment)

New potentials for green fiscal reform at European level: The EU Semester, the Fiscal Compact and latest reform proposals

14h30-16h00  Malgorzata Kicia – Chief Economist, Impact Assessment & Evaluation European Commission, DG Environment

  Pieter de Pous – Policy Director, European Environmental Bureau

  Zoltán Pogátsa – Assistant Professor, Faculty of Economics, University of Western Hungary

  András Lukács – President, Clean Air Action Group

Questions & Answers

  Chair: Magnus Nilsson – Senior Campaigner, Transport and Environment

16h00-16h30  Tea & Coffee
European climate, industrial and innovation policies in the context of the financial crisis

16h30-17h45  **Keynote: Greening industrial and innovation policies to pave the way for a competitive economy**
Yannick Jadot – Member of the European Parliament

**Comments:**
Jean-Philippe Barde – Maître de Conférences at SciencesPo (Paris School of International Affairs)
Thierry Dedieu – Secrétaire confédéral, questions européennes, CFDT (French Democratic Confederation of Labour)
Hugues Vérité – Deputy Chief Executive, Gimélec (Syndicate of energy technology suppliers)
Reinhart Wettman – Lawyer, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung

**Questions & Answers**
Chair: Stephen Boucher – Programme Director European Climate Policies, European Climate Foundation

**Summary of the conference**

17h45-18h00  Laurence Tubiana – Director, IDDRI
Jacqueline Cottrell – Manager, Green Budget Europe
Organisational matters

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