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I met with the German development minister yesterday [REDACTED]

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“International Tax Compact: Initiative to Strengthen International Cooperation with Developing Countries to Fight Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance”

Launched in August 2009 by the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the International Tax Compact is a multi-lateral effort to help developing countries and transition economies fighting tax evasion and inappropriate tax practices, with the aim of achieving national and international development goals (list of participating entities below). The ITC’s work focuses on four primary areas:

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1. Country / regional level: disseminate successful practices and reform experiences in policy formulation; legislation; capacity development.
2. International cooperation: facilitate access to and exchange of information between policy makers, tax administrators, civil society and private sector;
3. Analytical work: perform analytical work on development-specific topics to make available international discussions on tax reform;
4. Networking and dialogue: foster networking on taxation and development between ITC members and vis-à-vis other initiatives.

ITC Participating Entities (Secretariat: Bonn, Germany, est. August 2009)

African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF)

Inter-American Center of Tax Administration (CIAT) France Germany The Netherlands Norway Spain Switzerland

European Commission IMF OECD UN (office unspecified) World Bank China Chile Ghana U.K.

Guatemala

Japan (observer)

Uganda

** SP is doing more background research on the ITC, [REDACTED]