

OPEN CALL FOR PAPERS

East African Tax and Governance Network

Founded in 2011, the East African Tax and Governance Network (EATGN) is a civil society collaborative initiative of individuals and non-state actor institutions in the East Africa Community (EAC) that share the understanding that taxation is fundamental in achieving social justice and development goals.

EATGN champions for tax justice in governance, through public policy advocacy, research, and capacity building to create links between various constituencies in the region to improve tax policy while deepening democratic governance. EATGN is striving to establish a vibrant tax justice movement across the East African region that mobilizes citizen participation to advocate for equitable policies and practices.

The network is seeking informative policy articles, notes, briefs, discussion papers, and studies from individuals or organizations in the EAC. The focus is at both the regional and national level of countries within the EAC based on the following programmatic focus:

- Tax and development
- Tax and debt
- Tax and technology
- Tax and gender

Current topics of interest include the effect of debt on taxation, emergency (disaster relief) financing, digital taxation, and double taxation agreements. Nonetheless in the quest to campaign against illicit financial flows (IFFs) in the region EATGN is also interested in subjects that relate tax issues to: economic productivity; agricultural incomes; tobacco control; micro, small and medium enterprises; access to financial services; remittances; financial markets regulation; migration; public procurement; sustainable use of natural resources; reduced corruption; strong institutions; public access to information; and strengthened domestic revenue mobilization. This is to support for an expanded program of tax justice advocacy research and analysis in the public policy process of the EAC region or its respective member countries.

Articles - These are essays, opinion columns, book commentaries, literature, video, and documentary
reviews that appear on the EATGN website. The purpose is to discuss current and upcoming events or
debates, and to draw attention to EATGN research plus other tax and governance expertise in the process.
They should be written in an engaging, non-academic style, and ideally focus on one core message. They
should not include any form of formal referencing (no footnotes, no in-text forms) – but hyperlinks linking

certain facts or statements to their source are encouraged. They should/could include mention of any relevant EATGN links to further reading: publications, other op-eds on the same topic, etc.

- *Policy Notes* Policy notes are intended for policymakers, whether in government, business, or civil society. They must be concise, providing a brief analysis of the issue at hand and make policy recommendations. They must include an executive summary on the first page, and three or four policy recommendations, as well as an indication of who they are aimed at.
- *Policy Briefs* Policy briefs are situation analysis papers intended for policymakers, whether in government, business, or civil society. They are designed to bridge the space between policy notes and discussion/working papers by offering more visual material, drawing attention to key concepts/facts through pull quotes and looking less 'academic'. They should be concise while offering deeper analysis than allowed in a policy note.
- *Discussion/Working papers* Discussion/working papers are analytical pieces of variable length that explore issues/ contribute to a debate. The focus is not overtly policy-related, although this is not discouraged.
- *Research Study* Research studies are lengthier analytical report, usually reflecting on and analysing the findings of field research, whether commissioned or undertaken by EATGN staff. The target audience is not necessarily policymakers, but rather the academic, think tank and student community.

To Apply:

Send your cover letter, CV (2 pages Max) and a concept note not more than 2 pages offering a summary of the proposal as a brief description of the prospected idea and the objectives to be pursued to <u>info@eataxgovernance.net</u> and cc <u>recruit@taxjusticeafrica.net</u> indicating "EOI – EATGN OPEN CALL FOR PAPERS" in the subject of the email.

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