



CITY UNIVERSITY
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Discussion Workshop

Corruption and the role of tax havens

City University, London, 28th – 29th April 2016

PROGRAMME (*Preliminary, Feb.16*)

DAY ONE – 28th April 2016

08h30 – 09h00	Registration and coffee
09h00 – 09h30	Welcome, introductions and framing
09h30 – 11h00	Session One: Corruption and the role of (UK) tax havens Facilitator and discussant to be confirmed Robert Mwanyumba (East African Tax and Governance Network) - <i>Corruption Wasting Human Rights</i> Mary Young (University of West England) - <i>Criminogenic risk factors in the UK's financial secrecy jurisdictions</i> Petr Janský (Charles University, Prague; joint paper with Alex Cobham and Markus Meinzer, TJN) - <i>Financial secrecy since the financial crisis, and the UK's secrecy network</i>
11h00 – 11h30	Coffee

11h30 – 13h00	<p>Session Two: Scale and structures Facilitator and discussant to be confirmed</p> <p>Magdalena Rua (CEFID-AR) - <i>Capital Flight from Latin America</i></p> <p>Arjan Reurink (Max Planck Institute) - <i>Contextualizing Financial Corruption: Financialization and the Criminogenic Structures of Finance Capitalism</i></p> <p>Michael Woodiwiss (University of West England) - <i>The Evolution of Organized Crime Control and an International Anti-Money Laundering Regime</i></p>
13h00 – 14h00	Lunch
14h00 - 15h30	<p>Session Three: On the secrecy side Facilitator and discussant to be confirmed</p> <p>Jan Fichtner (Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main) - <i>The Anatomy of the Cayman Islands Offshore Financial Center: Anglo-America, Hedge Funds, and the Role of Japan</i></p> <p>May Hen (University of Cambridge) - <i>Gatekeepers for global wealth: a fiscal sociology of Caribbean offshore financial centres</i></p> <p>Sigrun Davidsdottir (journalist) - <i>Iceland: The 'offshorisation' of an economy</i></p>
15h30 – 16h00	Tea break
16h00 – 17h30	<p>Session Four: The Secrecy Professionals Facilitator and discussant to be confirmed</p> <p>Sophie Lemaître (Univ. Rennes 1) - <i>Hiding proceeds of corruption and IFFs through the abuse of Law – the extractive industries example</i></p> <p>Conor McCabe (Trinity College, Dublin) - <i>None Dare Call it Treason: Ireland and its Tax Avoidance Industry</i></p> <p>Chris Jones, Yama Temouri (both Aston Business School) & Alex Cobham (TJN) - <i>Tax Haven Networks and the Role of the Big 4 Accountancy Firms</i></p>
17h30 – 20h00	<p>Public event (details tba) Corruption and tax havens: UK responsibilities and opportunities</p>
20h00	Workshop dinner

DAY TWO – 29th April 2016

- 09h30 – 11h00** **Session Five: Financial secrecy and gender justice**
Facilitator and discussant to be confirmed
- Pooja Rangaprasad (Financial Transparency Coalition) - *Examining Gender Implications of Illicit Financial Flows***
- Verónica Grondona (CEFID-AR), Nicole Bidegain Ponte and Corina Rodríguez Enríquez (both DAWN) - *The role of financial secrecy jurisdictions in undermining gender justice and women's human rights***
- 11h00 – 11h30** **Coffee / tea break**
- 11h30 – 13h00** **Session Six: Corporate tax**
Facilitator and discussant to be confirmed
- Matti Ylonen and Lauri Finér (University of Helsinki) - *Laws for Nothing and Ores for Free? A Case Study of Tax Planning in the Finnish Mining Sector***
- Anders Pedersen (Natural Resource Governance Institute) - *Assessing the presence of tax haven based companies in extractives contracts - establishing a baseline contracts available as open data***
- Omri Mariam (UC Irvine School of Law) - *The State Administration of International Tax Avoidance***
- 13h00 – 14h00** **Lunch**
- 14h00 – 15h00** **Special session Seven: The Price of Offshore, 2016**
Facilitator and discussants to be confirmed
- James Henry (Columbia) - *The Price of Offshore: New numbers***
- 15h00 – 16h00** **Session Eight: Battlelines in the fight against financial secrecy**
Moderator – to be confirmed
Panel – to be confirmed, including representatives of Global Alliance for Tax Justice; Global Witness; Transparency International
- 16h00** **Workshop ends**