

African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF)

MISSION STATEMENT:

"ATAF shall provide a platform to improve the performance of tax systems and administration in Africa. Better tax systems and administration will enhance economic growth, increase the state's accountability to its citizens, and more effectively mobilise domestic resources."

FOUNDING DATE: 19th November 2009

SECRETARIAT LOCATION: Pretoria, South Africa

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP: Full membership only

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES: English, French, and Portuguese

BASIS OF MEMBERSHIP: The African Continent irrespective of the language and region

MEMBERS:

Algeria, Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina-Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Chad, Comores, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Eritrea, Eswatini, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia

GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE:

The African Tax Administration Forum (ATAF) is an international organisation consisting of 43 African member states. It promotes cooperation, knowledge sharing, and capacity building among African tax administrations and policymakers, and advocates the interests of African tax systems in the global environment. Since its launch in 2009, ATAF has been the premier pan-African organisation with a specific focus on improving tax systems, freeing African countries from aid dependency, improving fiscal governance, alleviating poverty, and improving the daily lives of African citizens. The ATAF governance structure consists of the General Assembly, Council, Executive Secretary, Deputy Executive Secretary, and officials spread into four divisions: Domestic Resource Mobilisation; Member Services; Strategy, Planning and International Cooperation, and Corporate Services. Officials are appointed by the Executive Secretary, and the Executive Secretary is appointed by the Council with ratification by the General Assembly. The General Assembly convenes every two years and comprises 43 members. The Council provides strategic oversight and approves work programmes and budgets. The Council is elected by the General Assembly every two years and submits reports at every General Assembly meeting.



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