

# **Centre for Business Taxation**

## **Doctoral Meeting** 22-23 September 2014, Oxford

Saïd Business School, Clore Lecture Room

# PROGRAMME

### **Monday 22 September**

9.00am – 9.30am Registration

#### **SESSION I**

Chair: Michael Devereux (Centre for Business Taxation)

9.30am – 10.15am James Mahon (Harvard University)\* Do accountants help firms respond optimally to tax policy? with Eric Zwick (Harvard University)

Discussant: Steve Bond (University of Oxford and Centre for Business Taxation)

10.15am – 11.00am Christine Dobridge (The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania)\* Fiscal stimulus and firms: are tax refunds effective?

Discussant: Li Liu (Centre for Business Taxation)

11.00am -11.30am Coffee

#### SESSION II

Chair: Giorgia Maffini (Centre for Business Taxation)

11.30am-12.15pmMargot Howard (University of North Carolina)<br/>Taxes, investors, and managers: exploring the taxation of foreign investors<br/>in U.S. REITS<br/>with Katherine A. Pancak (University of Connecticut) and Douglas A.<br/>Shackelford (University of North Carolina and NBER)

Discussant: Joel Slemrod (University of Michigan)

12.15pm - 1.00pm	Pierre Bachas (University of California, Berkeley)* Not(ch) your average tax system: behavioral responses of small Costa Rican firms
	Discussant: Ben Lockwood (University of Warwick and Centre for Business Taxation)
1.15pm	Lunch
SESSION III	
	Chair: Anzhela Yevgenyeva (Centre for Business Taxation)
2.15pm-3.00pm	Maria Coelho (University of California, Berkeley)* Dodging Robin Hood: responses to France and Italy's financial transaction taxes
	Discussant: Giorgia Maffini (Centre for Business Taxation)
3.00pm-3.45pm	Shawn Xiaoguang Chen (London School of Economics)* Is VAT a very alterable tax in China?
	Discussant: Michael Devereux (Centre for Business Taxation)
3.45pm-4.15pm	Coffee
4.15pm-5.00pm	Carolin Holzmann (University Erlangen-Nuremberg)* Exploiting a window of opportunity: multinationals' profit shifting in the absence of restrictions
	Discussant: Rita de la Feria (University of Durham and Centre for Business Taxation)
7.00pm-7.30pm	Pre-dinner drinks at The Oxford Retreat
7.30pm	Dinner at West Wing, Saïd Business School

### **Tuesday 23 September**

#### SESSION IV

Chair: Judith Freedman (University of Oxford and Centre for Business Taxation)

9.00am – 9.45am Young Ran (Christine) Kim (New York University School of Law)\* A study of the taxation of international private equity funds

Discussant: Glen Loutzenhiser (University of Oxford)

9:45am – 10.30am Alessandro Turina (IBFD and Bocconi University)\* Transparency and disclosure at the crossroads of international financial regulation and international taxation

Discussant: Anzhela Yevgenyeva (Centre for Business Taxation)

**10.30am– 11.15am** Rita Cunha (IALS, University of London)\* **Tax avoidance and statutory interpretation: a historical perspective** 

Discussant: John Vella (Centre for Business Taxation)

11.15am-11.30am Coffee

#### SESSION V

Chair: Li Liu (Centre for Business Taxation)

11.30am-12.15pm	Mohammed Mardan (Ludwig-Maximilians-University)
	Tax avoidance strategies in (probably) loss-making affiliates
	Arnt O. Hopland (Norwegian School of Economics and NoCeT) and Dirk
	Schindlerx (Norwegian School of Economics, NoCeT and CESifo)
	Discussant: Helen Simpson (University of Bristol and Centre for Business
	Taxation)

12.15pm-1.00pmLaura Brandstetter (Freie Universität Berlin)\*Do corporate tax cuts reduce international profit shifting?

Discussant: Wiji Arulampalam (University of Warwick and Centre for Business Taxation)

1.00pm-2.00pm Lunch and best paper award

\*Eligible for Best Paper Prize