

Programme

8.30	Registration
9.00	Welcome coffee
10.00 – 10.05	Opening of the conference by <i>Walter Deffaa, Director General, DG Taxation and Customs Union, European Commission</i>
10.05 – 10.20	Speech by <i>László Kovács, EU Commissioner for Taxation and Customs Union</i>
10.20 – 10.35	Reaching our climate objectives - The need for the right instrument mix, <i>Karl Falkenberg, Director General, DG Environment, European Commission</i>
10.35 – 10.50	Cost-efficient instruments for a low carbon economy, the role of taxation, <i>Prof. Don Fullerton, University of Illinois</i>
10.50 – 12.15	Discussion panel <i>Chair: Don Fullerton</i> Panellists: <i>Corinne Lepage, Member of the European Parliament</i> <i>Prof. Paul Ekins, professor of Energy and Environment Policy, UCL Energy Institute, University College London</i> <i>Chris Lenon, Global Head of Tax, Rio Tinto, Chairman of the Green tax Group of Business Europe</i> <i>Elisabeth Nilsson, President, Jernkontoret, the Swedish Steel Producers Association</i>
12.15 – 12.30	Open discussion and conclusions by the chair
12.30 – 14.00	Buffet lunch for participants
14.00 – 14.05	Opening of the afternoon session by <i>Walter Deffaa, Director General DG Taxation and Customs Union, European Commission</i>
14.05 – 14.25	Speech by the EU Presidency: the case for CO2 taxation <i>Ingemar Hansson, State Secretary for Taxation, Sweden</i>
14.25 – 14.45	CO2 taxation: a means for sustainable growth? <i>Bernard Clerfayt, State Secretary for environmental taxation, attached to the Minister for Finance, Belgium</i>
14.45 – 15.05	Europe's contribution to a balanced carbon world <i>Jacqueline McGlade, Executive Director, European Environment Agency</i>
15.05-15.15	Questions session
15.15 – 15.45	Coffee break
15.45 – 16.45	Open discussion <i>Chair: Kai Schlegelmilch, Vice-President of GreenBudgetEurope</i>
16.45 – 17.15	Closing session and wrap up Closing speech by <i>Ingemar Hansson, State Secretary for Taxation, Sweden</i> Closing speech by <i>Walter Deffaa, Director General DG Taxation and Customs Union, European Commission</i>