Growing demographic pressures and increased inequality in developed economics challenge governments’ ability to maintain the existing structure of spending. Developing countries need to adjust their tax and spending to meet demands of their growing economies. Recessions put strain on government revenue and lead to higher spending on stimulus and the social safety net. Tax systems need to adjust to the new digital economy that challenges but also creates opportunities for tax administrators. Globalization requires cooperation between governments to address tax competition, avoidance and evasion. These issues and more will be topics of plenary discussion.

Congress fees for participants include: congress documentation, refreshments and lunches, the Welcome Reception on August 18, the Excursion on August 19 and the Conference Dinner on August 20.

**Registration fee for accompanying persons includes: the Welcome Reception on August 18, the Excursion on August 19 and the Conference Dinner on August 20.

Note: A submission fee of €20 is required for non-members. Presenters are required to become members of the IIPF. For information about membership privileges, visit www.iipf.org/mbshp.

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Welcome to Tokyo in 2017

It is our great honor to invite you to the 73rd Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF 2017), held in Tokyo, on August 18-20, 2017.

Tokyo is a city of contrasting features. On one hand, Tokyo is tradition rich as a Japanese center for various cultural, political and economic activities, since the Tokugawa shogunate was established in the early seventeen century. It is surrounded by traditional buildings and spots, including Senso-Ji; an ancient Buddhist temple, Meiji-Jingu; a Shinto Shrine and Imperial Palace, former Castle of Shogun. On the other hand, Tokyo is modern and one of the greatest metropolises in the world. Spots such as Ginza and Akihabara are the forefront of Japanese fashion and contemporary culture. Tokyo Skytree, the high rise tower, among other architecture in Tokyo symbolizes the latest Japanese technology. These traditional and modern aspects stand close to each other in this city. With a well-developed public transportation system, access to most spots in Tokyo is convenient and fast.

Tokyo offers the traveler unique and diverse experiences: the fusion of traditional and modern, pop culture and beautiful natural surroundings. A number of tourists from all corners of the world are attracted to Tokyo for these reasons. The Olympics will be held in the center of Tokyo in 2020. Thus, sports facilities and related buildings are being developed along with the redevelopment of transport networks, in anticipation of this exciting event.

We are genuinely looking forward to showing you around Tokyo and we believe that you will enjoy experiencing the new, improved Tokyo.

IIPF

The International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF) is the world organization of public finance economists and has over 700 members from over 50 countries. In an increasingly specialized academic field, the IIPF seeks to generate intellectual interchanges among public finance experts.

The Institute's annual congress is the main forum for its activities, which include organizing academic events, promoting the exchange of knowledge between academics and practitioners of all nationalities, and awarding prizes for outstanding academic achievements.

The congress also provides an opportunity for the IIPF governing bodies to convene (Board of Management, General Assembly of Members). The IIPF is currently administered by an Executive Committee consisting of President Joel Slemrod (University of Michigan, US) and two Vice Presidents, Clemens Fuest (Ifo Institute and University of Munich, Germany) and Monika Büttler (University of St. Gallen, Switzerland). The legal and administrative seat of the non-profit organization IIPF is in Munich, Germany.

Further information is available at www.iipf.org.

Venue

The 2017 congress is hosted by the Japan Institute of Public Finance, the Japan Association of Local Public Finance and the University of Tokyo. The congress will be held in two facilities: The University of Tokyo's Hongo Campus and Kokusai Fashion Center. The facilities are easily accessible and are located in the center of Tokyo with public transportation available.

The University of Tokyo, Hongo Campus
7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 113-0033, Japan
www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/

Kokusai Fashion Center
1-6-1, Yokoami, Sumida-ku, Tokyo 130-0015, Japan
www.tokyo-kfc.co.jp/

How to get there

Narita International Airport to Tokyo Station
It will take about 70 minutes by taxi or car. Also, public transportation services are available. It will take about 60 minutes from Narita airport station to Tokyo Station.

Haneda Airport to Tokyo Station
It will take about 40 minutes by taxi or car. Also, public transportation services are available. It will take about 30 minutes from Haneda Airport International terminal station to Tokyo Station.

Access to The University of Tokyo, Hongo Campus
Hongo Campus is located in the urban area in Tokyo, and it's adjacent to JR and Subway lines. It will take about 15 minutes from Tokyo Station.

Access to Kokusai Fashion Center
It is close to Ryogoku Station on the JR and Subway lines. It will take about 15 minutes form Tokyo Station to Ryogoku Station.

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