## **Decision 2015/214**

## Venue and dates of and provisional agenda for the eleventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

At its 33rd plenary meeting, on 9 June 2015, the Economic and Social Council:

- (a) Decided that the eleventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters would be held in Geneva from 19 to 23 October 2015;
- (b) Approved the following provisional agenda for the eleventh session of the Committee:

## Provisional agenda for the eleventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

- 1. Opening of the session by the Chair of the Committee.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
- 3. Discussion of substantive issues related to international cooperation in tax matters:
  - (a) Issues related to the updating of the United Nations Model Double Taxation Convention between Developed and Developing Countries:
    - (i) Article 1 (Persons covered): application of treaty rules to hybrid entities;
    - (ii) Article 5 (Permanent establishment): the meaning of "connected projects";
    - (iii) Article 8 (Shipping, inland waterways transport and air transport):
      - a. The meaning and coverage of the term "auxiliary activities";
      - b. The application of the article to cruise shipping;
      - c. Other commentary issues;
    - (iv) Base erosion and profit shifting;
    - (v) Article 12 (Royalties):
      - a. The meaning of "industrial, commercial and scientific equipment";
      - b. Software payment-related issues;
    - (vi) Article 26 (Exchange of information): proposed Code of Conduct;
    - (vii) Taxation of services:
      - a. Article on technical services;
      - b. Other issues:
    - (b) Other issues:
      - (i) Issues for the next update of the United Nations Practical Manual on Transfer Pricing for Developing Countries;
      - (ii) Manual for the Negotiation of Bilateral Tax Treaties between Developed and Developing Countries;

- (iii) Taxation of the extractive industries;
- (iv) Taxation of development projects;
- (v) Capacity-building;
- (vi) Dispute settlement: arbitration issues for developing countries and possible ways forward;
- (vii) International trade in goods tax issues.
- 4. Dates and provisional agenda for the twelfth session of the Committee.
- 5. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its eleventh session.