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DAY 1: Monday, 6 November 2023

Opening Session



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President, Asian
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Fatima Yasmin
Vice-President (Sectors and
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Vitor Gaspar
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Session 1: Tax Expenditures/Incentives



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Irma Mosquera Valderrama
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Session 2: Gender and Taxation



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Session 3: The VAT: Can we do better?



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Session 4: Property Taxation



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Session 5: Panel Discussion: Climate change, Fiscal Risk and the Pacific



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