The Board of Taxation

Ann-Maree Wolff Board Member





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The Board and its reinvention



Board of Taxation 2017

Michael Andrew AO (VIC)





ChairFormer global chair, KPMG



Deputy Chair

Consultant, Herbert Smith Freehills,

Not for profits

Mark Pizzacalla (VIC)

Karen Payne (NSW)

Neville Mitchell (NSW)



Partner-in-charge, Private Clients, BDO



Board Member and CEO Former Partner, Minter Ellison

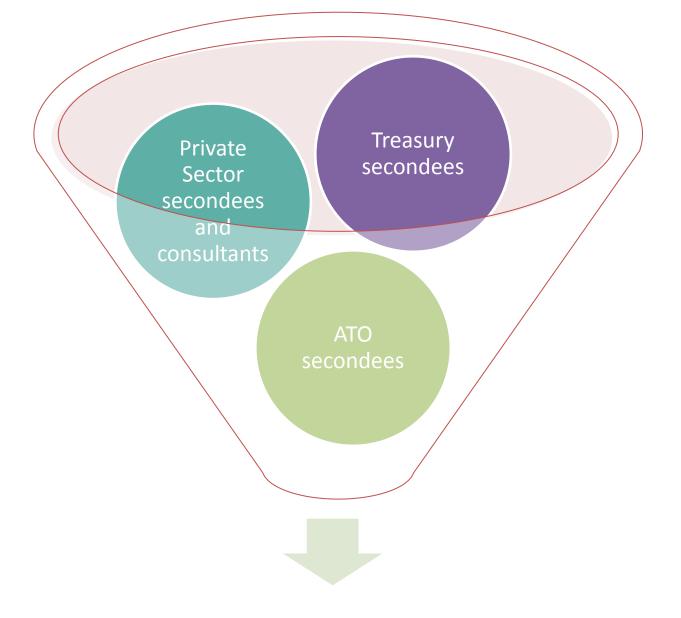


CFO, Cochlear President, G100









Board of Taxation Secretariat



The Board's Current Approach

- Systemic issues
- Business and community perspective
- Coordinated integrated tax system design

2000 – Established (Ralph)

Mid 2000s to 2014

- In-depth reviews
- Technical and postimplementation reviews

- 'Real-time' policy advice on higher-level issues (trusted adviser)
- Broader business & community

2015 and beyond



The Board's consultation model



- Advisory Panel
- Professional bodies
- Taxpayers
- Industry groups



The Board and the 2016-17 Budget



2016-17 Budget

Superannuation Reform Package

- \$1.6 million superannuation transfer balance
- Allow catch-up concessional superannuation contributions
- Clear objective
- Low Income Superannuation Tax Offset

Tax Integrity Package

- Diverted Profits Tax
- OECD hybrids mismatch arrangement rules
- Tax transparency code
- Tax Avoidance Taskforce
- Deferred tax liabilities

Other Key Themes

- Less red tape for business (Div7A)
- Improved system governance

Ten Year Enterprise Tax Plan

- Targeted personal income tax relief
- Reducing the company tax rate to 25% by 2026-27
- Increase small business entity turnover threshold
- Increase unincorporated small business tax discount

Making it easier to invest

- Collective Investment Vehicle (CIV)
- Limited Partnership CIV
- Asset Backed Financing



The Board and the 2016-17 Budget

- Designated Regulatory Reform Bills
- Sounding Board
- Timely guidance on the meaning of tax laws

Other measures



- Collective Investment Vehicles
- Consolidation deductible liabilities
- Asset backed financing
- Division 7A
- Small business entity turnover threshold
- Unincorporated small tax discount

Ten Year Enterprise Tax Plan



- OECD hybrid mismatch arrangement
- Diverted profits tax
- Tax transparency code

Tax Integrity Package



• Consulted on measures

Superannuation Reform package





Anti-hybrid rules

 Rules aim to eliminate double non-taxation and neutralise hybrid mismatch tax outcomes

Budget 2016-17

- Implementation to take into account Board's first report
- The Board asked to provide second report on hybrid regulatory capital





Voluntary tax transparency code

- 2016 report
- Annual turnover ≥
 100 million
- Greater content by businesses with an annual turnover ≥ 500 million
- Audience is the 'person in the street'





Organisation	Financial Year ending for Tax Transparency Report
AGL Energy Ltd	30 June 2016
AMCIL Investments Limited	30 June 2016 (Published)
AMP Limited	31 December 2015 (Published)
ANZ	30 September 2016 (Published)
APA Group	30 June 2016 (Published)
ASX Limited	30 June 2017
Aurizon Holdings Limited	30 June 2016 (Published)
Ausdrill Ltd	30 June 2016 (Published)
AusNet Services Ltd	31 March 2017
Australian Foundation Investment Company Ltd	30 June 2016 (Published)
Australian Postal Corporation	Progressive implementation starting FYE 30 June 2016 and fully compliant FYE 30 June 2017
Australian Unity Limited	30 June 2017
AWE Ltd	30 June 2016 (Published)
Bank of Queensland Limited	31 August 2016
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited	30 June 2016
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Blackmores Ltd	30 June 2016 (Published)
BP Australia	31 December 2016
BT Investment Management Limited	30 September 2016 (Published)

Organisation	Financial Year ending for Tax Transparency Report
Caltex Australia Limited	31 December 2016
Cleanaway Waste Management Ltd	30 June 2016
Coca Cola Amatil Limited	31 December 2016
Cochlear	30 June 2016 (Published)
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	30 June 2016
CSL Limited	30 June 2017
Djerriwarrh Investments Ltd	30 June 2016 (Published)
Downer EDI Limited	30 June 2016 (Published)
Dulux Group Limited	30 September 2017
EnergyAustralia	31 December 2016
Evolution Mining Limited	30 June 2016 (Published)
Fairfax Media Limited	30 June 2016 (Published)
Fortescue Metals Group Limited	30 June 2017
Healthscope Limited	30 June 2017
Iluka Resources Limited	31 December 2015 (Published)
Lendlease Corporation Limited	30 June 2017
Lion	30 September 2016
Macquarie Group Limited	31 March 2017
Medibank Private Limited	30 June 2016
Mirrabooka Investments Ltd	30 June 2016 (Published)

Organisation	Financial Year ending for Tax Transparency Report
Mirvac	30 June 2016 (Published)
MYOB Group Limited	31 December 2016
NAB	30 September 2016
National Pharmacies	30 June 2016
Newcrest Mining Ltd	30 June 2016
Orica Limited	30 September 2016 (Published)
Origin Energy Limited	30 June 2016
Perpetual Limited	30 June 2016 (Published)
PMP Limited	30 June 2016 (Published)
Qantas Group	30 June 2016 (Published)
Rio Tinto	31 December 2015 (Published)
Sandvik Australia Holdings Pty Ltd	31 December 2016
SEEK Limited Group	30 June 2016 (Published)
Shell Australia Group	31 December 2016
South32	30 June 2016 (Published)
Stockland	All key elements of the Code have been adopted with the exception of the tax contribution summary of corporate taxes paid. The summary of all corporate taxes paid will be implemented from the 2017 financial year onward.
Suncorp Group Limited	30 June 2016
Sydney Airport Limited	31 December 2016

Organisation	Financial Year ending for Tax Transparency Report
Tabcorp Holdings Ltd	30 June 2016 (Published)
Telstra	Progressive implementation starting FYE 30 June 2016 – fully compliant FYE 30 June 2017
The Boston Consulting Group Pty Ltd	31 December 2016
The GPT Group	Progressive implementation, Tax Transparency Report for FYE 31 December 2016 and fully compliant by 30 June 2017
Transurban Limited	30 June 2016
Treasury Wines Estate Limited	30 June 2016
Vicinity Centres	30 June 2016 (Published)
Viva Energy Holding Pty Ltd	31 December 2016
Vodafone Hutchison Australia Pty Limited	31 December 2016
Wesfarmers Limited	30 June 2016 (Published)
Westpac	30 September 2016 (Published)
Woodside Petroleum Limited	31 December 2016
Woolworths Limited	30 June 2017
WSP Australia Holdings Pty Ltd	31 December 2016



Voluntary tax transparency code Register

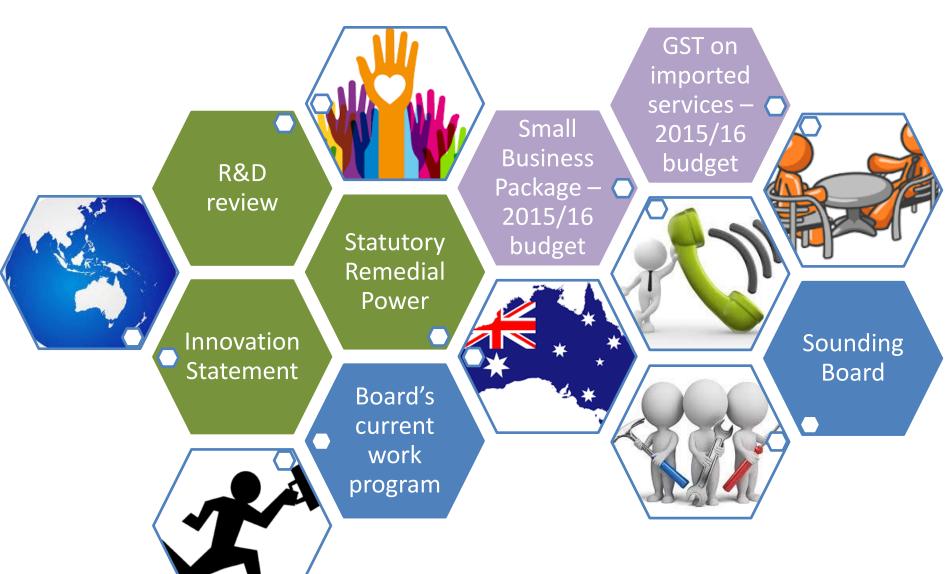


 To indicate your organisation's intention to adopt the Code, simply contact the Board at taxboard@treasury.gov.au

 Also tell us the financial year ending from which you intend to adopt the Code



Other work of the Board





Board's current work program

- 2016-17 work program includes:
 - Alignment of tax and accounting concepts
 - Asset merger roll-over relief
 - Residency tests for High Wealth Individuals
 - Review of the shadow economy
 - Targeted trust simplification
 - Tax and the sharing economy
 - The consistency of core concepts applied under State and Federal tax laws





Tax system improvement; including Sounding Board



Long-term Tax Improvement

2016-17 Budget

Designated Regulatory
 Reform Bills

Timely ATO public guidelines





Ministerial Advisory Council

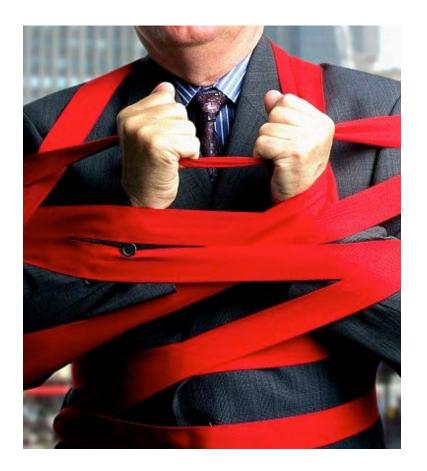
- Tasked with reviewing the performance of regulators in the tax portfolio
- Focus on minimising compliance costs





Reducing red tape

- Progressing regulatory reform agenda.
- Dedicated Tax System Improvement Working Group.
- Received 170+ ideas to simplify the tax system.





Sounding Board

- Raise, debate and prioritise business and community sector ideas on how to improve the tax system
- Replaced TIES (open ideas moved to Sounding Board)
- Launched April 2016 taxboard.ideascale.com
- Board to actively promote the inclusion of these ideas in designated regulatory reform bills.





We want to hear from you!

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Questions?

