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Alternatives for Tax Reform

Taxes should be simple, efficient and fair. In reality, taxes affect household and firm behavior on many margins, including labor supply, savings, investment and offshoring. Such tax avoidance tends to reduce welfare and growth, raises the cost of government activity, and undermines redistributive goals. How should the tax system be reformed to arrive at a better trade-off between equity and efficiency?

<u>Welcome</u>

Christoph Leitl

President of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, WKO

Introductory Remarks

Christian Keuschnigg Director IHS and University of St. Gallen

Keynote Speakers

James Poterba MIT and National Bureau of Economic Research

Martin Feldstein Harvard University and National Bureau of Economic Research

<u>Moderation of General Discussion</u> **Christoph Schneider** Head of Economic Policy Division of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, WKO