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### **German Finance Minister Olaf Scholz opens 4<sup>th</sup> Global Solutions Summit with digital keynote**

PRESS RELEASE, 09.04.2020 – Germany's Vice Chancellor and Minister of Finance, Olaf Scholz, opened the 4th Global Solutions Summit 2020, which due to the Corona crisis is taking place online for the first time, with a speech on global minimum taxation.

“When so much depends on the ability of states to take effective action, we must work to ensure fiscal firepower and robust national budgets – in all countries,” Minister Scholz says. “We must not allow some to avoid contributing their fair share. That is why it remains important – also in this time of crisis – that we put an end to profit shifting and tax avoidance.” [Watch the keynote here.](#)

Minister Scholz’ keynote is the first of many from high-ranking policymakers, implementers, civil society leaders and researchers from around the world that compliment online Global Table discussions. Speakers and panelists of the Digital Summit’s Global Tables discuss and make policy contributions to the Think20 and G20 agenda and provide a stepping stone to the T20 and G20 Summits.

The following articles are already [available online](#):

- [Paul Collier](#), Professor of Economics and Public Policy, University of Oxford
- [James Heckman](#), Nobel Laureate, Economics Professor & Director, University of Chicago
- [Paolo Magri](#), Executive VP and Director, Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI)
- [Andreas Schleicher](#), Director for Education and Skills, OECD
- [Olaf Scholz](#), German Vice Chancellor and Finance Minister
- [Mehmet Simsek](#), Former Deputy Prime Minister of Turkey
- [Danilo Türk](#), President Club de Madrid, Former President of Slovenia

Confirmed speakers include the Saudi Arabian State Minister and G20 Sherpa **H.E. Fahad bin Abdullah Al Mubarak**, T20 Co-Chair Japan **Naoyuki Yoshino**, German Minister for Economic Affairs **Peter Altmaier**, the United Nations Development Program’s **Achim Steiner**, BASF Board Member **Saori Dubourg**, Germany’s Environment Minister **Svenja Schulze** and the OECD’s G20 Sherpa **Gabriela Ramos**. These and other contributions will be made available soon.

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The Digital Global Solutions Summit 2020 is centered around Global Tables that contribute to the Think20 and G20 agenda. Global Tables consist of keynotes, panel discussions, interviews from international research organizations, thought leaders and decision-makers from political, business and civil society communities, aimed at providing solutions to major global problems. Global Tables cover topics such as the Future of Multilateralism, Fighting Climate Change, Infrastructure Investment and more. The Digital Global Solutions Summit will end with a Summit Roundup in June.

### **About the Global Solutions Initiative**

The Global Solutions Initiative is a global collaborative enterprise that proposes policy responses to major global problems, addressed by the G20, the G7 and other global governance fora. The policy





recommendations and strategic visions are generated through a disciplined research program by leading research organizations, elaborated in policy dialogues between researchers, policymakers, business leaders and civil society representatives. Most recently, the GSI proposed an alternative to measuring prosperity through GDP, [the Recoupling Dashboard](#). Learn more: [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#)

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