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## April 21: Webinar on The Global Tax Haven Industry — Before and After the “Panama Papers,” and Event on The Politics of Investment Treaties

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Dear Colleagues,

The Columbia Center on Sustainable Investment (CCSI) is pleased to update you on the following upcoming events at the Center. Please check [our website](#) for more information about this and other events.

### **April 21: Free webinar on The Global Tax Haven Industry -- Before and After the "Panama Papers"**

We invite you to join us for a free webinar on Thursday, April 21, 2016 from 11:00am - 12:30pm with CCSI Senior Fellow James Henry to discuss the global tax haven industry, before and after the "Panama papers." To join the webinar, please go [here](#).

What's the global tax haven industry, and why does it matter? What are the latest metrics about the size and growth of offshore flight wealth by country? How much has poured out of Russia and China?

How long have we known about the industry? Why has it been permitted to grow for 5 decades? Why have the IMF and World Bank generally done very little about it?

What’s been the impact on the progressivity of global taxation? On patterns of global investment? Why are Argentina’s two largest multinationals based in Luxembourg?

In this webinar, James S. Henry, an investigative economist and lawyer, former Director of Economic Research at McKinsey & Co., Senior Fellow at the Columbia Center on Sustainable Investment, and Senior Advisor to the Tax Justice Network, will speak about the scope, background and special importance of the Panama Papers in the context of the global tax haven industry. He will discuss the key policy implications, and potential responses, including, for example, an international commission with subpoena power; preventive technical measures like auto info exchange, beneficial ownership registration, and wealth pledges by public officials; tougher penalties for “enablers,” and more resources for international law enforcement.

The event is co-sponsored by the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN). For more information, please check our website [here](#).

## April 21: The Politics of Investment Treaties

We invite you to join us for a discussion on "[The Politics of Investment Treaties](#)" on Thursday, April 21st, from 6:30–7:30 pm at the office of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, 601 Lexington Avenue, 31st Floor, New York, NY 10022. **Registration is free but required. Please register [here](#).**

The event will discuss the politics of investment treaties. The starting point will be a recent book by Dr. Lauge Poulsen, which focuses on the historic practices of developing countries concluding investment treaties, and finds that governments in many developing countries overestimated the economic benefits of those agreements and practically ignored their risks.

Panelists will include:

- **Brian King**, Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
- **Lauge Skovgaard Poulsen**, Lecturer in International Political Economy, University College London
- **Jennifer Haworth McCandless**, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP

The event is co-organized by Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer. For more information, please visit our [website](#).



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