The STF is a comprehensive tool designed for national governments. It offers diagnostic evaluations and tailored support to optimize the alignment of a country's tax system with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The STF identifies tax strategies that can effectively contribute to achieving specific SDG targets. Developed as an integral component of the UNDP's Tax for SDGs Initiative, the STF aims to enhance domestic resource mobilization (DRM) and promote sustainable development through informed tax policies. Governments can apply the STF either holistically across all 17 SDGs or selectively, based on national priorities.

**What is STF?**

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**How Does STF Work?**

1. **Self-Evaluation Report**
   - Governments are assisted in understanding and self-evaluating the linkage of their existing tax policies with the SDGs through a self-evaluation report (SER).

2. **Recommendations**
   - Country authorities are provided with insights and recommendations to better align tax system with SDGs based on SER results.

3. **Country Support Plan**
   - Based on the national priorities, a country support plan for implementation of agreed areas is developed.

**Impact of STF**

- Gain a deeper understanding of the complex interplay between taxation and sustainable development.
- Enhance the capacity to leverage taxation as a tool for achieving the SDGs.
- Identify opportunities to address social, economic, and environmental concerns through targeted tax strategies.

**Support and Assistance**

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