

Five years in the Top 50

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My job is creating change. That said, it is hard to measure that. So whilst I have my doubts about how newspapers and magazines publish top lists of anything I admit there is always some gratification in finding myself in such lists. They do, at the very least , suggest someone is noticing what I'm trying to do.

International Tax Review [published its Global Top 50](#) in tax yesterday. [I found myself in it](#) (only the top 10 get a number ranking; the rest are just in it). And, as someone with time on their hands also pointed out to me (and a quick check suggests they are right), I am one of only two people International Tax Review credit with being in this ranking in every one of the five years that it has been published. [Pascal Saint-Amans](#) of the OECD is the person I share that honour with.

I am especially pleased to be in this year's list because it has a very definite new shape and feel to it. There are many more women for a start, and more activists, even if some overlap with an increased academic cohort. New entrants the [Global Alliance for Tax Justice](#), [Tove Maria Ryding](#), [Allison Christians](#), [Brigitte Alepin](#) and old sparring partner [Judith Freedman](#) all stand out to me.

My thanks to international Tax Review, even if the interview with me is a somewhat garbled version of what I said to their journalist.