

Tax justice to the fore in Ireland

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I was delighted to [read reports from Ireland](#) that:

Minister for Children Katherine Zappone will today demand that proposals around “tax justice” are accepted if she is to agree to appeal the European Commission judgment on Apple.

Ms Zappone held a two-hour meeting with the Attorney General yesterday morning to tease out a number of issues which she had concerns.

Ms Zappone spent much of the day meeting with independent tax experts. These experts included academics, economists, and campaigners in the area of “tax justice”, which is a fair and transparent tax system where there are no special deals made.

The outcome of such talks is not known: what is so impressive is that Ireland has politicians willing to take a stand on such issues. This provides hope for change. I am delighted at the prospect, even if it is bound to be incremental.