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Major step forward in the tax appeals process as new report recommends investment and resources – Irish Tax Institute President Marie Bradley

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Irish Tax Institute President Marie Bradley on measures announced in Budget 2019:

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Irish Tax Institute President Marie Bradley welcomed the 'Review of the Workload and Operations of the Tax Appeals Commission'. She said: "The report recommends extra resources and investment in the Tax Appeals Commission; this is an important step forward for the future operation of the tax appeals process and a genuine recognition that the tax appeals system was not working properly. In commissioning the report Minister Donohoe has acknowledged the challenges with the tax appeals process and has expressed his commitment to the recommendations in the report. This is a significant review that will hopefully pave the way for future improvements to what is an important pillar in the tax administration system of the country".

Personal Tax: Income tax and USC

Ms. Bradley said "This is now the eighth year of personal tax reductions in the Budget, highlighting a sustained commitment to reducing taxes on labour. This is the third time in four years that the Government has reduced the entry point to the higher rate of income tax, while the USC rate and band changes build on the 20 USC reductions that have already taken place since the journey of personal tax decreases began in 2013".

Earned Income Tax Credit

"We acknowledge the €200 increase in the earned income tax credit for self-employed individuals but would urge that full equalisation with PAYE workers would be completed as Government has previously committed."

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