



History of Tax: The Jeffrey-Cook Lectures: Tuesday 3rd February 2026

The Debt Experiment: How the History of Taxation Informs the Future of Public Debt

with Dr Maria Kendrick

We do hope you will be able to join us for our next History of Tax event, either in person at Information Technologists' Hall, London, or via zoom.

Synopsis: The world is currently on an unsustainable trajectory of increasing public debt with a corresponding necessity to find tax revenue for repayment. This is leading to calls to find new taxes to generate revenue to repay the debt. However, this is not a new phenomenon.

In her lecture, Dr Maria Kendrick will explain how the history of taxation informs the future of public debt in a manner that seems both historically repetitive and experimental, considering the potential impact this might have on new forms of finance and governmental structures.

Biography: Dr Maria Kendrick is a Senior Lecturer in Law at The City Law School at City St George's, University of London, a member of the Exam Board for the MSc in Taxation at the University of Oxford, Research Fellow at the Centre of European Law, King's College London and a Member of the Institute for the Study of European Law (ISEL) at City, St. George's, University of London. Dr Kendrick is also a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Tax Advisers and Co-Chair of its Young Members' Group. She read Law at King's College London and was a Centre of European Law Scholar at King's obtaining her PhD in 2018 along with a lifetime Fellowship. Her research profile is in EU and international tax law, including integration and differentiated integration. She has published extensively on EU tax law and differentiated integration, including EU own resources and both indirect and direct tax proposals to repay the NextGenerationEU debt. She has submitted expert evidence to Parliamentary Committees, being cited by the House of Lords Sub-Committee on the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland on taxation and subsidies.

Supper: For those attending in person, there is the opportunity for supper afterwards at nearby public house [The Fox and Anchor](#), with an opportunity to chat to our speaker. Supper numbers need to be given to the venue prior to the event, and menu choices will be circulated about two weeks before the event. Please register for supper at the time of booking your attendance. Arrangements for supper orders and payment will be communicated separately in due course.

Wine will be served to those attending in person, allowing you to network with fellow attendees and ask any further questions you may have after the talk.

How to book:

The closing date is Monday 26 January 2026 for in person attendance and Monday 2 February 2026 for zoom attendance.

The deadline for booking supper is Monday 26 January 2026.

Please email history@taxadvisers.org.uk to book your place, specifying whether you would like to attend in person or via zoom, and whether you would like to join us for supper.

This event is open to everyone interested in the History of Tax.

DATE

Tuesday 3 February 2026

TIME

6pm-7pm (logging on from 5.50pm)

PRICE

In person: £25

Via Zoom: No charge, but you are invited to make a voluntary donation to the Tax Advisers Charitable Trust via the link below.

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VENUE ADDRESS

Information Technologists' Hall, 39A Bartholomew Close, London, EC1A 7JN
Online log in details will be provided **the day before**

Supper: The Fox and Anchor, 115 Charterhouse Street, London EC1M 6AA

CLOSING DATE

Supper: Mon 26 January

In Person: Mon 26 January

Zoom: Mon 2 February



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