

Navigating the Tax Landscape

Overview:

Join us for an engaging and informative event where industry experts will shed light on key aspects of taxation and provide valuable insights and strategies to help individuals and businesses thrive in today's complex financial landscape. Whether you are a business owner, financial professional, or an individual seeking a better understanding of tax regulations, this event is designed to equip you with the knowledge and tools necessary to make informed financial decisions.

Target Audience:

The target audience for this event is C-level executives, including CEOs, CFOs, COOs, Tax Partners, and Tax Directors who are responsible for their organization's financial and tax strategies.

Event Objectives:

The objectives of this tax event are to:

1. Equip individuals and businesses with a comprehensive understanding of tax regulations, including corporation tax, Cyprus taxation, transfer pricing, VAT, and Pillar 2. Offer practical tips and strategies to minimize tax liability and maximize financial gains.
2. Keep participants informed about the latest developments, updates, and best practices in taxation, ensuring they stay ahead of the curve and are aware of any regulatory changes.
3. Offer attendees practical and actionable strategies for effective tax planning, compliance, and optimization, tailored to both individual and business contexts.
4. Address the specific challenges faced by individuals and businesses in navigating the complex tax landscape, such as optimizing tax incentives, transfer pricing compliance, VAT reporting, and understanding the implications of Pillar 2.
5. Facilitate networking and knowledge-sharing among professionals, allowing participants to connect with industry experts, speakers, and fellow attendees.

Event Details:

The tax event will take place at Columbia Plaza Venue Centre on the 14th of June from 09:00 – 13:00 and will include presentations by tax experts and industry leaders. The event will also include interactive sessions and panel discussions to allow for audience participation and networking opportunities.

Speakers:

- Nicholas Stavrinides, Partner, PKF Limassol
- Nicolas Papapanayiotou, Director, Costas Tsielepis & Co Limassol
- Christos Tziallas, Senior Manager, Deloitte Limited
- Michael Grekas, Board Member, Head of Indirect Tax and Tax Technology, KPMG Cyprus
- Stavroulla Vrasida, Head of the Advanced Tax Rulings Unit (Direct Taxation), Tax Department - Ministry of Finance, Cyprus
- Facilitator: Kyriakos Iordanou, ICPAC

Agenda:

The agenda for the event will be as follows:

1. Registration and networking.
2. Welcome and introduction to the event.
3. Corporation Tax - Nicholas Stavrinides, Partner, PKF Limassol
 - Understanding the intricacies of corporation tax regulations
 - Strategies for optimizing tax planning and compliance
 - Recent developments and updates in the field
4. Income Tax and Personal Incentives – Nicolas Papapanayiotou, Director, Costas Tsielepis & Co Limassol
 - Exploring the unique features of Cyprus taxation system
 - Personal incentives and benefits for individuals residing in Cyprus
 - Effective tax planning for individuals
5. Transfer Pricing – Christos Tziallas, Senior Manager, Deloitte Limited
 - Demystifying transfer pricing regulations and guidelines
 - Practical approaches to ensure compliance and mitigate risks
 - Transfer pricing strategies for multinational enterprises
6. VAT – Michael Grekas, Board Member at KPMG Cyprus
 - Recent amendments in the EU VAT Directive
 - VAT in the Digital Age (Brief analyzation of the three key pillars)
7. Pillar 2 - Stavroulla Vrasida, Head of the Advanced Tax Rulings Unit (Direct Taxation), Tax Department - Ministry of Finance, Cyprus
 - Exploring the concept and significance of Pillar 2 in International Taxation
 - Understanding the impact on businesses and individuals
 - Cyprus: Work in progress regarding the implementation of the Pillar 2- EU Directive
8. Panel Discussion and Q&A Session, Kyriakos Iordanou, General Manager ICPAC
 - A panel of experts will engage in a discussion on key-tax related topics
 - Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and seek clarifications
9. Networking Session
 - Participants will have the chance to network and connect with fellow professionals, speakers and industry experts.

Event Benefits:

By attending this tax event, participants will benefit from:

1. Gaining a better understanding of the latest tax laws and regulations.
2. Learning practical tax planning strategies to minimize tax liability and maximize financial gains.
3. Understanding the tax implications of transfer pricing, expat taxes and VAT.
4. Gaining insights into tax-efficient strategies.
5. Networking with tax experts and industry leaders.

Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable insights from renowned experts in the field of taxation and enhance your understanding of crucial tax concepts and strategies. Register now to secure your spot at this must-attend event.

Date: 14/06/2023

Time: 09:00 – 13:00

Venue: Columbia Plaza Venue Centre

Registration Fee: €140 for Non-ICPAC Members
€110 for ICPAC Members

For More information and registration: <https://globaltraining.org/event/navigating-the-tax-landscape/>

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Short bios:

Nicholas Stavrinides

Nicholas heads the tax department of the firm. He has over twenty years of experience with predominantly International Business clients in the areas of tax structuring, tax planning, tax examinations and investigations.

Nicholas is a frequent guest speaker in International tax conferences and issues a number of articles as to the Cyprus tax environment as well as the impact of international tax developments to Cyprus. Nicholas is a London School of Economics graduate, a Fellow Chartered Accountant of the Institute of England and Wales and a member and tax committee member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Cyprus. He has been with PKF since 1996 and admitted to the Board of Directors in 2007.

Nicolas Papapanayiotou

Nicolas is a seasoned tax advisor specialized in corporate and personal taxation. He has over 18 years of solid experience in the fields of national tax advisory and compliance. He has been involved in a number of corporate restructuring projects and has extensive experience in tax due diligence and tax planning using Cyprus.

Nicolas serves a range of industries, including energy, shipping, financial services, investment and banking as well as high net worth individuals and frequently represents clients before the Cyprus Tax Department in tax appeals and disputes. He is an ATX lecturer and an author of various articles, reports and presentations on Cyprus tax law and on the implementation of EU Directives.

He is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (FCCA) and a member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Cyprus (ICPAC).

Stavroula Vrasida

Head of the Advanced Tax Rulings Unit (Direct Taxation) at the Tax Department, Ministry of Finance in Cyprus. She boasts a 30-year experience, exposure and skillful knowledge in direct tax matters, especially majoring in corporate multinational group structures and cross-border transactions.

She formed part of the team commissioned with the screening of the EU acquis and the harmonization of the Cyprus direct tax legislation, during the Cyprus EU accession phase and she represents Cyprus in direct tax EU Working Party meetings in Brussels. She also participates in the drafting of direct tax legislation and attends parliamentary committee meetings for the due legal vetting, and she is a keynote speaker in international tax conferences organized in Cyprus and abroad.

She is a Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales (ACA), a Fellow of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants (FCCA) and holds the Advanced Diploma in International Tax (ADIT) delivered by the Chartered Institute of Taxation (CIOT).

During the course of her career, she has been an appointed member of the ACCA Advisory Committee in Cyprus, an appointed member of the International Business Structuring Association (IBSA) Cyprus Branch Committee, and an appointed member of the Regulatory Committee of the Institute of Certified

Public Accountants of Cyprus (ICPAC). She is also an appointed member of the board of the State Scholarships Foundation of Cyprus and an appointed examiner of a global professional body.

Michael C. Grekas

Michael is a Board Member and leads the Indirect Tax function and the Tax Technology development team at KPMG. He has extensive experience in Cypriot and European VAT legislation, EU VAT matters and decisions of the European Court of Justice (ECJ). Michael has provided professional services to several large multinational and local enterprises of various sectors, focusing on the financial services and real estate industries. He has provided indirect tax advisory services to several financial and payment institutions, Cypriot investment firms, UCITS, AIFs and real estate companies.

He is also Vice-Chairperson of the VAT committee of ICPAC (Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Cyprus). Michael was involved in various projects concerning VAT automation solutions and assists in the VAT coding design and implementation. Michael is the instructor in various KPMG training courses, presenter for various KPMG seminars and author of indirect tax publications. In 2015, Michael was certified by the HRDA as a "Trainer of Vocational Training".

Christos Tzialis

Christos has more than 10 years of experience in Transfer Pricing, working with various multinational entities in Greece, Ukraine, Russia and Kazakhstan, as well as other European companies across various industries, including mining & metals, Oil & Gas, construction, shipping, FMCG, logistics, machinery and equipment, financial services and other industries. Christos joined Deloitte Cyprus in July 2018.

His primary areas of expertise include conducting diagnostics of transfer pricing risks and recommendations on improving pricing policies, redesigning production and supply chains, consulting on the development of transfer pricing methodologies for services and cost distribution models among others.

Christos holds a BSc degree in Accounting & Finance from Athens University of Economic and Business and has obtained the Advanced Diploma in International Taxation (ADIT) in the principles of International Taxation and Transfer Pricing modules. Moreover, Christos has a high level of command of the Russian language having obtained the Third Level Certificate (TORFL-III).