WORKSHOP ON PILLAR 2's IMPACT ON TAX SYSTEMS AND TAX INCENTIVES

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ABSTRACT

The global level-playing field on taxation as well as the tax systems of jurisdictions are currently challenged and amended essentially by the implementation of Pillar 2 and the GloBE-Rules regarding the global minimum taxation of 15% on certain multinational enterprises to floor tax competition. Alternatively, the US still follow their amended GlLTI-Rules and address the implementation of certain GloBE-Rules as a refusable extraterritorial taxation. The seminar focuses on the impact of GloBE on tax systems and tax incentives post BEPS 1.0 and 2.0. In jurisdictions with a territorial tax system, a competitive tax burden or various preferential tax regimes like in Hong Kong, Ireland, Liechtenstein, Singapore, and Switzerland, traditional income- and expenditure-based tax incentives like IP-Boxes and R&D-super-deductions with reduced effective tax rates are mostly cancelled-out by GloBE-top-up taxes, subject to the introduction of so-called Qualified Refundable Tax Credits (QRTC). Vice versa, high tax countries like France, Spain and the UK still may use several traditional tax incentives like IP-Boxes and R&D-super-deductions with reduced effective tax rates to increase their tax competitiveness and to lower their effective tax burden even up to a maximum of 15%. Whereas tax competition in the past boosted cross-border BEPS and the respective use of tax incentives in highly competitive jurisdictions, the introduction of GloBE will support domestic BEPS measures to achieve a similar level of tax competitiveness in less competitive countries. Thus, tax competition is everything, but ended by the introduction of GloBE-Rules, and supplemented more and more by subsidy competition.

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