

12th European Conference on Tax Advisers' Professional Affairs

Making Anti-Money Laundering More Effective For Tax Advisers

Friday, 29 November 2019

Maison de l'Artisanat
Avenue Marceau 12, 75008
Paris, France

New EU anti-money laundering rules have been introduced by the 5th Anti-Money Laundering Directive ("AML"), which Member States are obliged to transpose into national law by 10 January 2020.

This Directive is based on FATF Recommendations and builds on other EU transparency initiatives to prevent money laundering. The AML Directive covers a variety of industries including tax advisory services and thus supports the OECD efforts in fighting money laundering by the Forum on Tax & Crime.

The conference will examine the perceived risks posed by the tax profession in facilitating money laundering based on the EU Commission's Supranational Risk Assessments, compliance with the new and existing EU Anti-Money Laundering Directives and efforts taken to address money laundering in the broader international context and the effect this has on tax evasion.

Panellists will consider the effectiveness and the impact of existing EU rules and the new requirements of the 5th AML Directive, including making beneficial owners of legal entities registers public and providing increased access to information on the beneficial ownership.

Speakers will also discuss the impact of enhanced cooperation and exchanges of information provided for between the EU and Member States under the 5th AML Directive.

In addition, panellists will discuss compliance with and implementation of the measures by tax advisers in practice and the information available to supervisory bodies to facilitate their obligations under the Directive.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

08:45 **Registration & Welcome Coffee**

09:15 **Opening Remarks** **Piergiorgio Valente**, President, CFE Tax Advisers Europe
Marc Bornhauser, President, Institut des Avocats Conseils Fiscaux (IACF), France

09:30 – 11:00

PANEL I

International Approach Against Money Laundering

Moderator:

Dick Barmentlo,
Attorney, FT Avocaten &
Member of the CFE Professional
Affairs Committee, The
Netherlands

Nilimesh Baruah, Senior Adviser, Tax & Crime Division, OECD

David Lewis, Secretary General, Representation from Financial
Action Task Force (FATF)

Michael Levi, Professor, Cardiff University, Wales

Member of the European Parliament (MEP), formerly TAX3
Committee

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00

PANEL II

**The 4th and 5th EU Anti-Money Laundering
Directives: Making and Working With Them**

Moderator:

Wim JD Gohres LLM, Director,
PwC Netherlands & Chair of the
CFE Professional Affairs
Committee, The Netherlands

Juan Antonio Salazar, Financial Crime Unit, DG Justice and
Consumers, European Commission

Representative from Moneyval, Anti-Money Laundering Monitoring
Body of the Council of Europe

Representative of DG Taxation and Customs Union (TAXUD),
European Commission

13:00

Lunch break

14:00 – 15:30

PANEL III

**The 4th and 5th AML Directives: Anti-Money
Laundering by Tax Advisers in Practice**

Moderator:

Heather Brehcist, Head of
Professional Standards,
Chartered Institute of Taxation
(CIOT) & Member of the CFE
Professional Affairs
Committee, United Kingdom

Wim JD Gohres LLM, Director, PwC Netherlands & Chair of the CFE
Professional Affairs Committee, The Netherlands

Representative from TRACFIN, French Ministry of Finance (FIU),
France

AML Compliance Officer

15:30

Closing Remarks

Gary Ashford, Partner, Harbottle & Lewis & Vice-President, CFE
Tax Advisers Europe, United Kingdom