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

### 09:15 – 09:45

**Registration**

### 09:45 – 09:50

**Opening Remarks**

- **Moderator:** Heather Brehcist, Member of the Professional Affairs Committee, CFE Tax Advisers Europe, United Kingdom
- **Marc Bornhauser,** President, Institut des Avocats Conseils Fiscaux (IACF), France
- **Wim Gohres,** Chair of the Professional Affairs Committee, CFE Tax Advisers Europe, The Netherlands

### 10:00 – 12:00

**Panel I: International Approach Against Money Laundering**

- **Moderator:** Dick Barmentlo, Attorney, FT Advocaten & Member of the Professional Affairs Committee, CFE Tax Advisers Europe, The Netherlands
- **Nilimesh Baruah,** Senior Adviser, Tax & Crime Division, OECD
- **Dr Robby Houben,** Associate Professor, University of Antwerp, Belgium
- **Dr Kateryna Boguslavskia,** Project Manager on Basel AML Index, Basel Institute on Governance, Switzerland
- **Samantha Bourton,** Lecturer, University of the West of England, United Kingdom

### 12:00 – 13:00

**Lunch Break**

### 13:00 – 14:45

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

- **Moderator:** Heather Brehcist, Member of the Professional Affairs Committee, CFE Tax Advisers Europe, United Kingdom
- **Wim Gohres,** Chair of the Professional Affairs Committee, CFE Tax Advisers Europe, The Netherlands
- **Christian Leroy,** Tax lawyer, Member of the Board of the Conseil National des Barreaux, France
- **Gary Ashford,** Partner, Harbottle & Lewis & Vice-President, CFE Tax Advisers Europe, United Kingdom
- **John Binns,** Partner, BCL Solicitors LLP, United Kingdom

### 14:45 – 15:00

**Closing Remarks**

- **Bruno Gouthière,** Partner CMS Bureau Francis Lefebvre & Executive Board Member, CFE Tax Advisers Europe, France

### 15:00 – 16:00

**Networking Drinks**