



# 2023 WORLD CONFERENCE ATHENS



## FINAL PROGRAM

**November 8 – November 11, 2023**

**Four Seasons Astir Palace Hotel, Athens**

40 Apollonas Street  
Vouliagmeni, Athens

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## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023

### DINNER - "Pay As You Go"

A reservation has been made at the Four Seasons Mercato Restaurant (Italian food).  
(Advance sign up required to reserve a spot).

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

### SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP DAY

9:15 – 10:45 A.M.	<b>Expensive Toys</b> Tax issues of yachts and aircraft.	<b>Chair: Luis Del Valle Torres</b> Pablo Alarcon John Graham
9:15 – 10:45 A.M.	<b>E-Commerce Tax Issues</b> Discussion of hot topics in e-commerce taxation (permanent establishment, withholding taxes, and sales tax issues), clamp downs on international structures.	<b>Chair: Jane Florides</b> Leon Harris Luis Dura
<b>10:45 – 11:15 A.M. BREAK</b>		
11:15 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.	<b>Trusts in Civil Law Countries</b> How do countries without trust law deal with trusts? A look at some selected countries. Can foundations be used instead?	<b>Chair: David Russell</b> Jane Florides Riccardo Barone
11:15 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.	<b>Patent Box Regimes</b> Who has them, are they useful? A look at some experiences.	<b>Chair: Michael Fischer</b> Paul Bramall Ali Kanani
<b>12:30 – 2:00 P.M. LUNCH</b>		
	<b>Managing Partners Lunch</b> Topic: Developing Talent from Within	<b>Chair: Lisa Cantillon</b>
2:00 – 3:15 P.M.	<b>Moving to the U.S.</b> A case study in hindsight, mistakes in the rearview mirror.	<b>Chair: Stanley Ruchelman</b> Galia Antebi Raimundo Levi Dean Smith
3:15 – 4:15 P.M.	<b>Latam Special Interest Group</b> An opportunity for Latam colleagues and those with an interest in Latam countries to informally discuss common issues.	<b>Chair: Javier Canosa</b> Luis Del Valle Torres Celso Grisi

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4:30 – 6:00 P.M.	<b>Steering Committee Meeting</b> (for Steering Committee members)	
<b>6:45 P.M.</b>	<b>RECEPTION AND DINNER</b>	

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023

9:00 – 9:15 A.M.	<b>Main Conference Commences</b> Introductions and Welcome	<b>Chair: John Graham</b> Theodoros Skouzos
9:15 – 10:00 A.M.	<b>Host Country – Greece</b> Key aspects of the tax system of interest to international tax advisors.	<b>Chair: Natalia Skoulidou</b> Elena Ntafouli
10:00 – 11:20 A.M.	<b>OECD and EU Tax Developments</b> A look at current issues, trends, agenda items. Where are we going next? 15% corporate minimum tax, is this the end of low corporate tax rates? Disclosures, registers, reporting, does anyone read them?	<b>Chair: David Russell</b> Piergiorgio Valente Martin Phelan Gary Ashford Paul Kraan
<b>11:20 – 11:40 A.M.</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
11:40 A.M. – 12:20 P.M.	<b>Window into Africa</b> A look at common gateway countries (Mauritius and UAE) and “onshore” countries, including Kenya.	<b>Chair: Luis Del Valle Torres</b> Sattar Abdoula Kenneth Njuguna Zain Satardien
12:20 – 1:00 P.M.	<b>Taxation and Inflation</b> How does a country adjust its tax system for runaway inflation? Some experiences from Argentina and Israel, and issues created in other countries (e.g., foreign tax credit).	<b>Chair: Javier Canosa</b> Meir Linzen
<b>1:00 – 2:10 P.M.</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
2:10 – 3:00 P.M.	<b>All about AI</b> Are computers going to take our jobs? What is AI capable of doing and where are the limitations?	<b>Chair: Niklas Schmidt</b>

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3:00 – 3:40 P.M.	<b>Working Remotely</b> Now a worldwide trend, the digital nomad, the walking P.E. are common. Some surprises can be in store.	<b>Chair: Paul Kraan</b> Enrico Della Valle Guy Katz
<b>3:40 – 4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
4:00 – 4:40 P.M.	<b>Asian Tax Update</b> A look at important developments in selected Asian countries (not covered in 2022).	<b>Chair: Thomas Lee</b> Yang Sun Jun Nagamine Sakate Khaitan Seung-Wan Chae
4:40 – 5:00 P.M.	<b>Open Session</b> A chance for any delegate to ask a question or raise an issue.	
<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>GROUP PHOTO</b>	
<b>7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>RECEPTION AND GALA DINNER</b>	

Shuttle Buses leave from 6:40 P.M.  
(last bus at 7:00 P.M.)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023		
9:00 – 10:10 A.M.	<b>European Tax Update</b> Tax developments in major EU countries (especially countries not covered in 2022).	<b>Chair: Michael Fischer</b> [Various]
10:10 – 10:40 A.M.	<b>Family Office Tax Regimes</b> Hong Kong and Singapore have special family office tax legislation. The U.S. has for decades allowed onshore asset management for offshore families. Other jurisdictions have similar exemptions. Where might you locate a family office and wealth management for a wealthy international family today?	<b>Chair: Sanjay Iyer</b> Thomas Lee Raimundo Levi Omar Morales
<b>10:40 – 11:10 A.M.</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	

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11:10 – 11:50 A.M.	<b>Giving a Tax Opinion</b> What does it mean when you give an opinion, what is the standard of practice, at what point do you get into trouble (with the client / with the tax department)? Penalties for tax advisors.	<b>Chair: Michael Cadesky</b> Celso Grisi Euney-Marie Mata-Perez
11:50 A.M. – 12:20 P.M.	<b>MLI on Parade</b> A short parade of countries that are out or mostly out of MLI provisions, and the implications. Other comments.	<b>Chair: Jane Florides</b> Grace Chow Michael Fischer
<b>12:20 – 1:40 P.M.</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1:40 – 2:20 P.M.	<b>U.S. Tax Update</b> What's new? Sunset provisions coming into focus, (e.g. estate tax). More money for the IRS.	<b>Chair: Stanley Ruchelman</b> David Barnhill Tonya James
2:20 – 3:20 P.M.	<b>The Great Debate</b> Subject – Privacy in Tax Matters	<b>Chair: John Graham</b> Others – TBA*
3:20 – 3:40 P.M.	<b>Open Session</b>	
<b>3:40 P.M.</b>	<b>CONFERENCE ADJOURNS</b>	
4:30 P.M.	Buses depart for Athens reception, Walking Tour, Reception, and Informal Dinner. <b>(One Departure: 4:30 P.M.)</b>	

