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To the Members of the Executive Board of the CFE

07 October 2016

## The 9th European Conference on Tax Advisers' Professional Affairs

"Involving tax advisers in fighting tax avoidance – what will change?"

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that the next *Professional Affairs Conference* of the CFE will take place on:

# Friday, 18 November 2016 at 10.00 hrs Best Western Premier Hotel Slon, Slovenska Cesta 34 Ljubljana, 1000, Slovenia

Please find enclosed the following documents:

- Programme of the conference
- Registration form
- List of recommended hotels and maps
- Social programme (day trip on Saturday)

For any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Yours sincerely,

The CFE Team



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Time: 10.00 - 15.00 hrs

Place: Best Western Premier Hotel Slon, Slovenska Cesta 34, Ljubljana, 1000,

Slovenia

The CFE PAC Conference 2016 will deal with recent initiatives at EU, OECD and national level to involve tax advisers in reporting tax avoidance, and to introduce disincentives for advisers who continue to promote it.

The OECD has examined mandatory disclosure rules for promoters of certain tax planning schemes as a means to counter BEPS (base erosion and profit shifting), but has refrained from explicitly recommending countries to introduce such rules.

The European Commission is considering mandatory disclosure rules, going further than the OECD standard by suggesting EU-wide rules and also mentioning possible publication of information reported.

The European Parliament has asked for a European Code of Conduct for all advisers and mandatory disclosure rules for advisers involved with certain jurisdictions, as well as stricter sanctions for advisers engaging in unlawful practices.

Lastly, the UK tax administration is currently consulting on making promoters pay for revenue lost to tax planning.

We have requested speakers and discussants from the OECD, the European Commission and national governments, as well as recognised tax practitioners, to present and discuss these recently proposed actions:

- Which of these seem best fit to achieve tax administrations' aim to reduce tax avoidance?
- Should such actions be a matter for the EU or the member states to regulate?
- Will and should these actions lead to further regulation of the tax advisory activity?
- Does a more regulated tax profession help government achieve its aim?, and
- How can the taxpayer's right to confidentiality and to receive advice by a trusted adviser be ensured?

Details of booking arrangements you will find on the **CFE website**. For further information please do not hesitate to contact the CFE Office in Brussels:

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The CFE is the umbrella organisation of the tax adviser profession in Europe. It was founded in the year 1959 and embraces 26 national organisations from 21 European States and within them approximately 200,000 tax advisers. We consider our functions to be to safeguard the professional interests of tax advisers, to exchange information about national tax laws and professional law and to contribute to coordination of tax law in Europe.



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09.30	Admission
10.00 - 10.15	Welcome - <b>Henk Koller,</b> President of the CFE & <b>Simona Štravs,</b> President of ZDSS
	Introduction by the Moderator <b>Dick Barmentlo</b> , Chairman of the CFE Professional Affairs Committee
10.15 - 12.30	Session 1: Fighting tax avoidance - A new array of tools
	Session 1 aims at presenting and explaining various disincentives proposed or discussed at EU, OECD or national level against tax advisers who facilitate tax avoidance.
	John Peterson, Head of Unit, Centre for Tax Policy and Administration, OECD
	<b>Reinhard Biebel,</b> Unit D2 Head of Sector "Corporate Tax Transparency", DG Taxud, European Commission
	<b>Luděk Niedermayer,</b> Member of the European Parliament, Member of the PANA Committee of Inquiry and the ECON Committee
	<b>Ray McCann,</b> Vice President of the Chartered Institute of Taxation, Partner at Joseph Hage Aaronson LLP, United Kingdom
	Questions and answers
12.30 - 13.15	Questions and answers  Lunch
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15.00

End of the conference





#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

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First name:	
Surname:	
Professional title:	
Company/Organisation:	
Address:	
Country:	
Email (important):	
Tel:	
I will participate in the Confe	erence on 18 November 2016, 10:00 hrs – 15:00 hrs
<ul> <li>€ 185 base fee</li> <li>€ 150 fee for those registered to the European Register of Tax Advisers of the CFE</li> <li>The registration fee has been paid by bank transfer to KBC-Bank, Rond-Point R. Schuman 4, B – 1040</li> <li>Brussels, IBAN BE83 7310 2178 0515, BIC: KREDBEBB.</li> </ul>	

Conference fees are exempt from VAT and no VAT invoice will be issued.

#### **Booking Conditions**

If you wish to cancel your booking you must notify The Confédération Fiscale Européenne in writing (e-mail is sufficient). If notice of cancellation is received more than 2 days prior to the event the fee will be returned minus a 30€ administration charge. After this time 100% of the fee will be withheld. You may submit at any time, in writing the name of a colleague / person(s) attending in your place.

No liability is assumed by the CFE for changes to date, content, speaker(s) or venue. In the unlikely event that due to unforeseen circumstances, it is necessary to cancel or postpone the conference, the organisation's liability will be to refund the full Conference fee.

**Please note:** Participation is only possible with a registration confirmation by the CFE. The confirmation will be sent to you by e-mail upon receipt of your payment.

Deadline for registrations: Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016





## RECOMMENDED HOTELS NEAR THE VENUE

#### **Best Western Premier Hotel SLON \*\*\*\*\***

Slovenska Cesta 34 Ljubljana, 1000, Slovenia Tel: +386 1 470 11 31

Email: <a href="mailto:sales@hotelslon.com">sales@hotelslon.com</a>

Economy single room: **84 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax Comfort single room: **94 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax Comfort double room: **110 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax Superior deluxe single: **131 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax Superior deluxe double: **146 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax

Make a reservation Deadline for registration: 05 November 2016

Distance to the venue: conference venue

#### **Grand Hotel Union \*\*\*\***

Miklošičeva 1 Ljubljana, 1000, Slovenia

Tel: +386 1 308 19 89

Email: grand@union-hotels.eu

Classic Single room: **130 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax Classic Double room: **150 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax

Make a reservation Deadline for registration: 05 November 2016

Distance to the venue: MAP

#### Hotel Lev \*\*\*\*

Vošnjakova 1

Ljubljana, 1000, Slovenia Tel: +386 1 308 14 38 Email: <u>lev@union-hotels.eu</u>

Classic Single room: **80 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax Classic Double room: **95 EUR** per night including breakfast + WIFI + City tax

Make a reservation Deadline for registration: 05 November 2016

Distance to the venue: MAP







# **PAC Conference 2016 - Social Programme**

# Karst & Coast Mystery Tour, November 19th 2016

#### DESCRIPTION







Discovering the Slovenian coast and and the Karst region. The tour's first stop is to Skocjan Caves one of the largest and most beautiful Karst caves in Europe where you will see river Reka 200m below the surface. After getting out of the amazing cave, you will get the opportunity to taste famous Karst air-dried prosciutto and wine Teran – produced only in Karst region. Pass coastal towns of Koper, Izola and Portoroz we reach everyone's favourite town on the Slovenian coast – Piran where you can get lost in its medieval narrow streets and houses, enjoy a great seafood lunch or take a swim in the Adriatic Sea. On the way back we visit medieval Predjama Castle with dramatic setting in the gaping mouth of a cavern halfway up a hillside.

#### **ITINERARY**

- 8.30: Departure from Ljubljana
- 10.00 12.00: Visit of Skocjan Caves
- 12.30 13.30: Wine & Prosciutto tasting
- 14.30 16.30: Piran city tour and free time
- 17.30 18.00: visit of Predjama Castle (from the outside)
- 19.00: Arrival back to Ljubljana

#### **PRICE**

• 61,00 € / person

#### **PRICE INCLUDES**

- Touring with an English speaking guide
- Transport in a modern A/C bus
- ENTRANCE FEES
  - Skocjan Caves
  - Wine & Prosciutto Tasting

#### PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Other meals
- Other entrance fees







#### **REGISTRATION & PAYMENT**

#### ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM

http://www.travel-roundabout.com/en/activity/70691/pac-conference-2016-karst-coast-mystery-tour

- \* Minimum number of participants for the tour to run: 25
- \*\* APPLICATIONS POSSIBLE UNTIL: November 5th 2016

#### **USEFUL INFORMATION**

**PICKUP LOCATION: Grand Hotel Union Business** 

#### **HOW TO GET THERE**

From Hotel Lev:

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• From Best Western Premier Hotel Slon:

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