



# International Tax Update

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In a globalised business environment, tax authorities around the world are taking a more international outlook and extending their focus beyond their own borders. Cooperation arrangements and information exchanges between tax authorities are also on the increase. Meanwhile, communities in various countries have been raising concerns about the tax minimisation arrangements adopted by some large corporations. International agencies, such as the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), are driving policy initiatives aimed at encouraging a more coordinated response by governments in the tax arena. Developments such as these are not something that tax advisers and taxpayers cannot afford to ignore - understanding future changes will be essential for tax planning and to avoid pitfalls.

In this seminar, the speakers will discuss the latest global tax update, covering:

- OECD's Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) initiative and its impact on Chinese and Hong Kong entities;
- The UK's new "diverted profits tax", using Hong Kong as an example to see how this regulation works;
- An update on the Australia's General Anti-Avoidance Rule (GAAR), including the new multinational anti-avoidance law;
- Germany's GAAR; and
- The European Union's action plan on BEPS and where it stands.

**Date** **Thursday, 29 October 2015**

**Time** **7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

**Venue** Hong Kong Institute of CPAs,  
27/F., Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

**Language** English

**Fee**

- Taxation Faculty member: HK\$150
- HKICPA member or student; and IA/ HKIAAT's member or student: HK\$190 or HK\$180 (online enrolment)
- Non-member: HK\$330

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**Objectives** To provide the latest tax updates on international tax

**Chair** **Edward Lean**, Member of HKICPA taxation faculty executive committee, and Tax Director, Minter Ellison

**Speakers** **Joshua Colman**, Director, International Tax Services, Ernst & Young

**Claus Schuermann**, Partner, International Tax, Deloitte

**Participants** Tax practitioners and those who wish to understand the international tax issues

**Competency** Taxation

**Rating** Advanced Level (Please refer to the [Institute's online CPD Learning Resource Centre](#))

**CPD hours** 2

