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## The European Conference on Tax Advisers' Professional Affairs

“A developing relationship: tax authority – taxpayer – tax adviser”

**Date: Wednesday, 1 December 2010**

**Time: 13:30 – 17.15 hrs**

**Place: Haus der Steuerberater, Grafenberger Allee 98, 40237 Düsseldorf / Germany**

As the umbrella organisation of the Tax Adviser profession in Europe, the Confédération Fiscale Européenne (CFE) would like to invite you to the European Conference on Tax Adviser's Professional Affairs which will take place on 1 December 2010 in Düsseldorf/Germany.

The intention of this conference is to reflect on the mutual trust of the three relevant players in the tax system and to provide insight into their relationship in a changing environment.

The conference will address the recent efforts of tax administrations to increase compliance of taxpayers through various initiatives that do or do not include tax advisers. Tax authorities in different countries have chosen different approaches such as increasing transparency through additional disclosure obligations, enhanced mutual trust, compliance monitoring by tax advisers or risk management by tax authorities. It seems worth asking whether these new forms of cooperation will create win-win-situations for all parties involved or to what extent they will have the effect of preventing taxpayers from making use of their rights.

The half-day conference seeks to provide views from France, Germany, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, including both tax administration and business.

Details of booking arrangements are available on our [website](#). For further information, please do not hesitate to contact our 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 33 national organisations from 24 European States and within them over 180,000 tax advisers. CFE consider its functions to be to safeguard the professional interests of tax advisers and to assure the quality of tax services provided by tax advisers and to exchange information about national tax laws and professional law and to contribute to coordination respectively of tax law in Europe.*



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- 13.30 - 14.00 Admission
- 14.00 - 14.15 Welcome by **Hans-Dieter Vietmeier**, Vice-President of the Steuerberaterkammer Düsseldorf, Germany
- Introduction by the Moderator **Henk Koller**, Chairman of the CFE Professional Affairs Committee, The Netherlands
- 14.15 - 14.30 **Prof. Dr. Axel Pestke**, CEO Deutscher Steuerberaterverband, Germany  
*"Risk management of the fiscal administration - What role does the tax adviser play?"*
- 14.30 - 15.15 Session 1: Public Administration
- Chris Tailby**, CBE CTA(F), Former Anti-avoidance Group, HM Revenue & Customs (2004-2009), United Kingdom  
*"How does the reporting of avoidance schemes impact on compliance and the relationship between taxpayers, tax advisers and the HMRC?"*
- Jean-Pierre Lieb**, Inspecteur Général des Finances, Chief counsel, French tax administration  
*"Enhancing taxpayer and tax administration relationship through rulings: A French perspective"*
- 15.15 - 15.45 Coffee Break
- 15.45 - 16.15 Session 2: Private Business Sector
- Karl-Heinz Haydl**, VAT Manager, GE Corporate, Germany
- Matthias Feldt**, Head of VAT Group, Corporate Center Taxes and Customs, ThyssenKrupp, Germany  
*"Tax partnership: A win-win situation? What can we learn from business experience across Europe?"*
- 16.15 - 16.45 Session 3: Academical / International View
- Prof. Dr. Victor van Kommer**, Director Knowledge Center, IBFD, The Netherlands
- Anuschka Bakker**, Chief Editor Topicals, IBFD, The Netherlands  
*"The changing role of the adviser in the framework of risk management"*
- 16.45 - 17.15 Discussion
- Introduction into the discussion by the moderator **Henk Koller**
- 17.15 Cocktail reception

Simultaneous interpretation will be available from English into German