

India Tax Forum 2019

Shangri-La's - Eros Hotel, New Delhi
New Delhi, 22nd January 2019

08.30 Registration and breakfast

09.05 Chairman's opening

Joseph Stanley-Smith, Editor, **International Tax Review**

09.10 Keynote address: Navigating the changeable Indian and international tax system

During this session a senior Indian tax official will talk about the key issues facing the corporations and the Indian tax industry, covering their perspective on international tax, transfer pricing and the approach of Indian tax authorities regarding litigating tax cases

Akhilesh Ranjan, DG International Taxation, **Central Board of Direct Taxes**

09.20: Keynote Fireside Chat:

Featuring Akhilesh Ranjan, DG International Taxation, **Central Board of Direct Taxes** and **Hitesh D. Gajaria**, Head of Tax, **KPMG in India**

9.50 Panel: The future of the Indian tax system – what's in store?

- The new Direct Tax Code
- M&A trends and developments
- 2019 elections and the tax pledges
- Upcoming Indian tax regulations and how to prepare

Moderator: Samir Gandhi, Partner, **Deloitte India**

Rohinton Sidhwa, Partner, **Deloitte India**

Ashutosh Dikshit, Partner, **Deloitte India**

10.35 Morning break

11.05 Panel: Key developments in transfer pricing

- The latest trends in TP issues
- TP in the BEPS regime
- Experiences and challenges of CbC reporting and master file compliance
- TP after the MLI
- Application of the PPT in post-MLI tax treaties
- The advantages of bilateral APAs
- Permanent establishments in India - case study examples of best practice

Moderator: Pavithra Ramesh, Head of Tax, **Zoho Corporation**

Nishant Chugh, Head - Tax & Treasury, **Colt Technology Services**

Ramesh Khaitan, Sr Vice President - Global Tax Head at **Lupin Limited**

Poonam Khaira Sidhu, Principal Commissioner of Income Tax-2, Chandigarh, **Indian Revenue Service**

11.50 Panel: The global economy and international tax market

- The US economy and the implications for the developing world
- Tax competition and tax trends across Asia Pacific
- European movements in corporate tax - can you equate to the Indian market?
- The global implementation of the BEPS Action Plan and unilateral measures: How corporations can deal with the confusion

Moderator: Neeraj Sharma, Executive Director - Direct Tax & Regulatory Services, **SKP Group**
Jimmy Spencer, CFO & Director, **Chemtex Group of Companies**
Abhishek Chawla, Tax Director- Asia & East Europe, **Xerox Global Tax**
Rakesh Kotak, Vice President - International Tax and Regulatory, **Vinmar International**

12.35 Presentation: Taxation on digital economy

Rakesh Nangia, Managing Partner, **Nangia Advisors LLP**

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Panel: Tax disputes, litigation and successful controversy management

- Approaches to minimise tax litigation through negotiation/a defined process
- How are MAP and APA helping dispute resolution?
- Best practice in litigation management in the Indian tax system
- Managing costs in your corporate tax litigation strategy
- What is the current and expected impact of GST on litigation? Case study examples of litigation in this space
- The challenges and risks of joint audits in an era of information exchange

Moderator: Jimmy Spencer, CFO & Director, **Chemtex Group of Companies**
Sanjeev Agarwal, Head of Tax, Customs and Export Control, **BMW India**
Sudipta Bhattacharjee, Partner, Tax Controversy Management and Contract, Documentation
Advaita Legal
Aditya Gupta, Head of Tax, **Reckitt Benckiser India**

14.45 Afternoon break

15.05 Panel: Technological advancements and digitalisation in the Indian tax system

- How to keep pace with technology advancements
- Managing technology and data for GST compliance
- Digital payments and the regulatory minefield - what are the implications for the tax department?
- The challenges of electronic assessments and audits
- What will the increasing focus by authorities on cryptocurrency and tax evasion mean for future trading?

Moderator: Naveen Gupta, Tax Technology Expert
Haroon Qureshi, Vice President – Taxes, **Genpact**
Chandrika Choudhry, Regional Head Taxation-South & South East Asia, **Intertek India**
Sumita Thomas, Senior Tax Manager - South Asia, **Intel Technology India Private Limited**

15:50 Panel: Indirect tax focus: Managing the challenges of the ever- evolving GST law

- Two years on – when will there be tax certainty?

- What will be the approaches of the revenues authorities when GST has settled down?
- Technological advancements and its impact on tax directors
- How in-house tax teams are using their internal resources to cope with the GST requirements
- Challenges and opportunities – GST refund and audits
- The anti-profiteering rules

Moderator: Jimmy Spencer, CFO & Director, **Chemtex Group of Companies**

Abhishek Shah, Indirect Tax Head, Asia Pacific, **Caterpillar**

Alok Pareek, Senior Manager, Tax – India, **Red Hat India Pvt Ltd** – add to conf call for GST

Amit Gupta, Director – Tax, **Dell Global B.V.**

16:35 Chairman's closing remarks

Joseph Stanley-Smith, Editor, **International Tax Review**

16.45 End of conference