

VAT experts to meet in Dubai next week

The 3rd GCC VAT Forum offers a discussion platform for businesses to meet and discuss the implementation of VAT legislation.

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-- The Federal Decree-Law No. 8 on Valued-Added Tax (VAT) was issued by the President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan last Sunday in preparation for the introduction of VAT from 1 January 2018.

Such a transformation will require the involvement and support of senior management to ensure the necessary engagement of the whole business in the implementation project. A well planned and executed VAT implementation will result in the avoidance of costly penalties as well as benefits for the business in respect of on going compliance and management of risks, as well as cash flow management.

In light of this, IQPC Middle East will be hosting the 3rd GCC VAT Forum, taking place next week from 11-12 September 2017 at the Address Hotel in Dubai Marina.

The forum will host speakers from renowned consultants such as EY, KPMG, Deloitte and PwC working closely with government and local businesses to formulate proposed regulations as well as international associations and local business leaders such as ACCA, Landmark Group, Dubai Opera, Jumbo Electronics and many more who will share and discuss the VAT implementation and compliance process, and how this will impact businesses.

Experts speaking at the forum include:

- Bruce Hamilton, Director, Indirect Tax, Middle East, Deloitte
- Jeanine Daou, Middle East Indirect Taxes Leader, PwC
- Stewart Nivison, Head of Indirect Tax, Thomson Reuters
- David Stevens, VAT Implementation Partner, EY
- Rob Dalla Costa, Director, KPMG
- Pierre Arman, Market Development Lead for Tax & Accounting, Thomson Reuters
- Nadine Bassil, Director, PwC
- Andrew Bohnet, Managing Director, Innovate Tax
- Nurena Tarafder, Senior Manager, Deloitte
- Jairaj Jaisinghani, Chief Financial Officer, Jumbo Electronics
- Clare McColl, Partner, Indirect Tax, KPMG
- Ian Ohan, CEO/Founder, Freedom Pizza
- Rajesh Garg, Group Chief Financial Officer, Landmark Group
- Cathy Safaya, Director of Finance, Dubai Opera
- Fahad Bin Nadeem, Managing Director, Tytho UK Ltd.

In addition to the conference, the event will see an exhibition of leading companies and solution

providers including Thomson Reuters, Innovate Tax, Avalara, Tytho, Zoho, Pagero and amongst others.

To find the full programme and speaker list, please visit <http://bit.ly/3rdGCCVATForum>, call +971 4 364 2975 or email enquiry@iqpc.ae.

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