









INVITATION to the EU-China Tax Policy Forum "Recent Trends in Tax Policy in Europe and China"

WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business), July 6 and 7, 2010, Vienna, Austria

Organized by the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law, WU Vienna; Peking University (PKU), the University of Hong Kong (HKU), the Central University of Finance and Economics (CUFE).

As economic activities between members of the European Union as well as cross-border transactions beyond European borders with China are strongly increasing, a new and more comprehensive dimension of research and development in international tax law and especially in recent tax policy trends in Europe and China becomes more and more important.

Cooperation of the economic units Europe and China in the field of international tax law is an issue of significant relevance. Therefore, the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law, together with the Peking University, the University of Hong Kong, and the Central University of Finance and Economics have strengthened their consistent and sustainable research cooperation and have built up a coordination network between Europe and China that pursues various research projects. The objective of the joint research project between the participating universities on "Recent Trends in Tax Policy in Europe and China" is to identify differences and similarities in the tax policy in Europe and China and to find explanations for these differences. The entire project on "Recent Trends in Tax Policy in Europe and China" is for a large part financed by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.



The conference starts on **July 6**, **2010** at 19.00 with the Conference Opening and Cocktail Reception at the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law. On this occasion Professor Lang, Professor Liu, Assistant Professor Bristar Mingxing Cao and Research & Teaching Associate Oliver-Christoph Günther will present our recently published book on "Europe-China Tax Treaties" (ISBN: 9789041132161) – soon available with Kluwer.

The working sessions will be held all day on July 7, 2010, at WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business), Conference Room 1 (D 706) (UZA 4, Section D, 7th Floor, Nordbergstraße 15, 1090 Vienna).

The participation fee for the conference is EUR 500.--. A waiver of the participation fee may be granted to (full-time) professors and other researchers who are employed at a university or other academic institutions (wherever located) and have been engaged in research activities related to the respective topic. The participation fee must be paid not later than **June 1**, **2010**, and will not be refunded in the case of cancellation one week prior to the conference.

If you are interested, please send us the application form as soon as possible, stating whether you would like to register as a regular participant or apply for a waiver of the participation fee. Please send your applications via e-mail to **Renée Pestuka** (renee.pestuka@wu.ac.at)

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Tuesday, July 6, 2010

19:00 **Opening of the Conference** at the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law

(UZA 3, Section 5, 4th Floor, Althanstraße 39-45, 1090 Vienna)

Michael Lang, Head of the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law, Head of the Department of Public Law and Tax Law, WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business)

Jianwen Liu, Professor at the Peking University (PKU) Law School, Director of the PKU Fiscal Law Research Center, Director of the China Fiscal Law Society

Oliver-Christoph Günther, Research & Teaching Associate at the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law, WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business)

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Book presentation:

"Europe-China Tax Treaties" – soon available with Kluwer

Welcome address on behalf of the Austrian-Chinese Legal Society:

Gerd Kaminski (Secretary General of the Austrian-Chinese Legal Society, Visiting Professor at Peking University (PKU) and State University of New York at Buffalo, Consultant of the Austrian Foreign Ministry)

Afterwards: Cocktail Reception

on invitation of:



Wednesday, July 7, 2010

09:00 – 10:00 Session I: Income Tax Policy for Individuals in Europe

Chairs: Claus Staringer (Professor at the Institute for Austrian and International

Tax Law, WU Vienna University of Economics and Business)

Jianwen Liu (*Professor at the Peking University (PKU) Law School, Director of the PKU Fiscal Law Research Center, Director of the China*

Fiscal Law Society)

Presenter: Michael Lang (Head of the Institute for Austrian and International Tax

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Discussants: Bristar Mingxing Cao, Assistant Professor at the Central University of

Finance and Economics (CUFE) School of Taxation (Beijing), Director of the International Tax Office at the Peking University (PKU) Fiscal Law

Research Center

Zuo Liu, (Chief researcher of the PKU Fiscal Law Center, Director of the

Institute for Tax Science Research under the State Administration of

Taxation)

10:00 – 11:00 Session II: Income Tax Policy for Individuals in China

Chairs: Claus Staringer (Professor at the Institute for Austrian and International

Tax Law, WU Vienna University of Economics and Business)

Jianwen Liu Professor at the Peking University (PKU) Law School,

Director of the PKU Fiscal Law Research Center, Director of the China

Fiscal Law Society

Presenter: **Zuo Liu**, (Chief researcher of the PKU Fiscal Law Center, Director of the

Institute for Tax Science Research under the State Administration of

Taxation)

Discussants: Michael Lang (Head of the Institute for Austrian and International Tax

Law, Head of the Department of Public Law and Tax Law, WU Vienna

University of Economics and Business)

Bristar Mingxing Cao, Assistant Professor at the Central University of

Finance and Economics (CUFE) School of Taxation (Beijing), Director of the International Tax Office at the Peking University (PKU) Fiscal Law

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11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:00 Session III: Income Tax Policy for Corporations in Europe

Chairs: Michael Lang (Head of the Institute for Austrian and International Tax

Law, Head of the Department of Public Law and Tax Law, WU Vienna

University of Economics and Business)

Jianwen Liu, (Professor at the Peking University (PKU) Law School,

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Presenter: Claus Staringer (Professor at the Institute for Austrian and International

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Fay Linghui Ren, (SJD Candidate, Faculty of Law, the University of Hong

Kong)

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break

13:30 – 14:30 Session IV: Income Tax Policy for Corporations in China

Chair: Michael Lang (Head of the Institute for Austrian and International Tax

Law, Head of the Department of Public Law and Tax Law, WU Vienna

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14:30 – 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 – 16:30 **Session V: Consumption Tax Policy in Europe**

Chairs: Michael Lang (Head of the Institute for Austrian and International Tax

Law, Head of the Department of Public Law and Tax Law, WU Vienna

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Zuo Liu, (Chief researcher of the PKU Fiscal Law Center, Director of the

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Taxation)

Presenter: Thomas Ecker (Research & Teaching Associate at the Institute for

Austrian and International Tax Law, WU Vienna University of Economics

and Business)

Discussant: Jianwen Liu, Professor at the Peking University (PKU) Law School,

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16:30 – 17:30 **Session VI: Consumption Tax Policy in China**

Chairs: Michael Lang (Head of the Institute for Austrian and International Tax

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