



Institute for Austrian and
International Tax Law **Vienna**

Vienna Certificate in Double Tax Treaties



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International tax law has become a very relevant area in practice. Cross-border relations are part of our everyday life. More than 3,000 tax treaties connect the economies. These treaties have become more and more complex. Expertise is required to solve all the interpretation and application problems.

The **“Vienna Certificate in Double Tax Treaties”** is a certificate program which offers a unique opportunity to combine two excellent courses with a high-class case study, as well as a technical paper supervised by the professors of the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law at WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business). Ideally, all four parts should be taken within one year. Previously completed courses can also be transferred to the certificate program.

The Certificate is aimed at tax practitioners who want to gain intense practical knowledge of double tax treaties provided by leading researchers and practitioners.



Double Tax Treaties at the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law

The Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law, part of WU, is among the largest academic institutions in the world carrying out research and teaching about tax law. Its main fields of activity are corporate tax law, international tax law, and European tax law. Staff also participate in numerous national and international tax projects and have developed an impressive network of contacts to over 90 countries over the years. The Institute is currently comprised of 60 academic staff, 18 administrative staff, as well as many visiting professors and guest researchers from around the world.

The Institute has gained an excellent international reputation with long-standing cooperation with leading globally active companies. The researchers and adjunct faculty of the Institute are equipped with experience in international tax and have published widely in this area. They have conducted many important studies in tax treaty law and their expertise is well known all over the world.

The Four Parts

The candidate will receive the “Vienna Certificate in Double Tax Treaties” upon successful completion of the following four parts:

1. Course “The Practice of Double Tax Treaties in Case Studies”

This **six-day course** consists of an introduction to tax treaty law, followed by an in-depth analysis of various case studies including: tax treaty entitlement, the scope of tax treaties, tax treaty interpretation, business profits, employees, capital gains and royalties in tax law, and the impact of EU law.

2. Course “The Practice of Double Tax Treaties in Case Studies - Senior-Level Course”

This **three-day course** deals with specialised case studies on recent case law in different countries. Previous topics covered the interpretation and application of tax treaties, treaty entitlement and treaty abuse, allocation rules, methods to avoid double taxation, and the latest OECD developments.

All **lecturers** of both courses are renowned double tax treaties experts from academia, government officials, and advisory firms.

3. Case Study

A **case study** should be solved by the candidate. This case study will be provided and supervised by the professors of the Institute of Austrian and International Tax Law.

4. Paper

A **paper**, in the form of a technical article (3,000-5,000 words), should be prepared by the candidate in English. The topic of this paper will be agreed with the professors of the Institute.

The Fee

The fee to access the entire certificate program amounts to **7,500 Euro**. Previously completed courses can be deducted from this amount. The fee might be reduced as a result of an early bird discount related to the courses.



The Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law at WU Vienna and the Research Institute for European and International Tax Law present

The Practice of Double Tax Treaties in Case Studies – Senior level course

A three-day course for very experienced tax practitioners

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The Practice of Double Tax Treaties in Case Studies

A six-day thorough and structured course for tax practitioners

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