



Grants awarded following the call for proposals TAXUD/2020/CFP-01 Preparatory action “EU TAX OBSERVATORY”

Title of the action	TaxIDEAS – Creating the EU Tax Observatory: Independence, Democracy, Equity, Advocacy, Sustainability	Union grant awarded:	EUR 1,200,000
Summary of the action			
<p>In 18 months, the Observatory is expected to be established as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the leading reference for the study of taxation in the EU (with a focus on corporate tax avoidance and tax evasion) across the EU;• a platform for civil society engagement with strong name recognition in each EU Member State;• a source of new ideas for better combatting aggressive tax avoidance and evasion;• an international reference for the study of taxation in a globalized world. <p>First, the Observatory will conduct original, high-quality research on tax avoidance, tax evasion, aggressive tax planning and money laundering, with a focus on the potential solutions to these problems. Building on its expertise and network, the Observatory will produce five original research papers at the highest international standard in its first 18 months.</p> <p>Second, the Observatory will develop, host, and promote a pioneering interactive tax simulation website. The website will allow users to simulate the effect of ongoing and projected reforms of corporate taxation in user-friendly way. Users will be able to select reform scenarios (for instance, the Common Consolidated Corporate Tax Base/CCCTB proposal of the European Commission) and see with simple visualizations (e.g. maps) how such reforms would affect tax revenues in each Member State.</p> <p>Third, the Observatory will organize 8 public, professionally advertised events in the next 18 months across the European Union.</p> <p>Fourth, the Observatory will create and disseminate a public repository of data and analysis on tax evasion, tax avoidance and aggressive tax planning, with a focus on corporate income taxation.</p> <p>Fifth, the Observatory will advertise its initiatives in each EU Member State through its vast network of academics, advocates, policymakers, journalists, civil society organizations, and business representatives.</p>			
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