

Bahrain & GCC Tax News



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Bahrain

National Bureau for Revenue (NBR) updates VAT Registration Guide

On 16 September 2025, the NBR published the updated version of the VAT Registration Guide.

Click here to access the updated guide.

Tax treaty update

On 15 September 2025, Bahrain and Jersey signed a tax treaty in Manama.

Domestic Minimum Top-up Tax (DMTT): Journey so far and next steps

With the Bahrain DMTT Law in force for more than 8 months and the first advance tax payment cycle concluding on 31 August 2025, in the latest Tax Insights, the KPMG Bahrain tax team has summarized the DMTT journey so far and the next steps.

Click <u>here</u> to access the latest KPMG Tax Insights.

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA)

Zakat, Tax and Customs Authority (ZATCA) launches public consultation on draft rules for licensing and supervision of regional headquarters of multinational companies

ZATCA has launched a public consultation on the draft rules for licensing and supervision of regional headquarters of multinational enterprises. The deadline for sharing comments is 9 October 2025.

Click here to view the proposed rules.

ZATCA conducts tax and zakat workshops

- On 21 September 2025, ZATCA will conduct a virtual workshop on the VAT refund procedures for eligible persons.
- On 22 September 2025, ZATCA will conduct virtual workshops on VAT, and on the dispute settlement procedures for zakat, tax, and customs matters.
- On 24 September 2025, ZATCA will conduct a virtual workshop on the zakat procedures under the implementing regulations for zakat collection (1445H).

Click here to register for upcoming virtual workshops.

United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Federal Tax Authority (FTA) issues corporate tax (CT) public clarification

On 19 September 2025, the FTA published a public clarification on the CT treatment of family wealth management structures.

Click here to access the public clarification CTP008.

FTA conducts tax workshops

- On 16 September 2025, the FTA conducted virtual workshops on the EmaraTax platform and on VAT returns and VAT refunds.
- On 17 and 18 September 2025, the FTA conducted virtual workshops on how to submit the CT return.

Kuwait

Tax treaty update

The 'Kuwait-San Marino Income and Capital Tax Treaty (2024)' entered into force on 14 May 2025.

Oman

Oman Tax Authority (OTA) announces online refund service

On 12 September 2025, the OTA announced that VAT and Excise Tax refund services for embassies, diplomatic missions, and international organizations are now available through its e-services portal.

For a detailed discussion on how the above updates may impact your business, contact us.

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