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Asia Pacific Tax Developments

Australia

Consultation on proposed amendments to new interest limitation / thin capitalization rules

Treasury released for consultation exposure draft parliamentary amendments to proposed legislation to amend Australia's interest limitation rules.

Draft determination on application of GST to combination food products

The Australian Taxation Office released a goods and services tax (GST) draft determination explaining when a supply of food is a combination food subject to GST despite having components that would otherwise be GST-free.

Hong Kong (SAR), China

The draft legislation expanding the FSIE regime to cover asset disposal gains is published

The draft legislation to expand the existing foreign-sourced income exemption (FSIE) regime to cover gains from disposal of assets was published in October 2023.



Malaysia

Two-month deferment of e-invoicing implementation to August 2024 is not much of a grace period

Ng Wei Wei, Executive Director of Tax Dispute Resolution shared her view on the two-month deferment for the implementation of e-invoicing for taxpayers.

Government surprises with SST rate hike, no immediate plans to reintroduce GST

Neoh Beng Guan, Executive Director of Corporate Tax Advisory at KPMG, commented on the tax measures that were announced in the tabled Budget 2024.

Budget 2024 a precursor to future reforms

Mr. Soh Lian Seng, Head of Tax at KPMG, observed how the proposals are setting the scene for future tax reforms that will align to the government's aspiration to enable inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

Singapore

GST Comptroller decision denying input tax claim upheld

The Goods and Services Tax(GST) Board of Review upheld a decision of the GST Comptroller denying the input tax claim of a taxpayer on its purchase of goods from a local supplier on the grounds that it failed to prove that goods were purchased and traded.



Significant International Tax Developments

Multilateral conventions on Amount A of Pillar One and Pillar Two subject to tax rule

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in October 2023 released the text of a new Multilateral Convention to Implement Amount A of Pillar One that updates the international taxframework to co-ordinate a reallocation of taxing rights to market jurisdictions, improve taxcertainty, and remove digital service taxes.





Calendar of events

Date	Event	Location
3 November 2023	Preparing for the countdown to Pillar Two	Singapore



EU: Updates to list of non-cooperative jurisdictions

The Council of the European Union adopted conclusions on the list of non-cooperative jurisdictions.

France: Tax measures in 2024 finance law include Pillar Two implementation and transfer pricing documentation changes

The draft law will be debated in the French Parliament over the next few months before being adopted at the end of December.



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