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Asia Pacific Tax Developments

Australia

[Looking to invest in Australia?](#)

KPMG Australia outline 10 areas for organisations to consider when starting a business in Australia.

[Price is right – Transfer pricing case decided in Federal Court](#)

The Federal Court has delivered the tax payer a significant win against the Commissioner of Taxation (Commissioner in relation to the transfer prices it used on certain cross-border related party transactions associated with its Cobar copper mining operations).

Hong Kong (SAR), China

[Guidance on disallowing deductions for foreign taxes](#)

Guidance from Hong Kong's tax authority reflects a new position that foreign income taxes imposed on gross income (for instance, withholding tax imposed on gross royalties, service fees, and management fees) are no longer deductible under the general deductibility rules of section 16(1).

Indonesia

[VAT exemption, “temporary imports” used in providing taxable services from overseas](#)

The tax authority of Indonesia issued technical guidance regarding the value added tax (VAT) treatment of “temporary imports” of goods that are used in providing taxable services from overseas.

New Zealand

[Feasibility expenditure to be deductible and loss continuity rules to be updated](#)

The Ministers of Finance and Revenue have announced that proposals consulted on previously, and recommended by the Tax Working Group, to allow tax deductions for feasibility expenditure will proceed.



Significant International Tax Developments

[OECD: Developing country implementation of transfer pricing documentation rules; comments requested on draft toolkit](#)

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) announced that the “Platform for Collaboration on Tax” (a joint initiative of the IMF, OECD, UN and World Bank) is seeking feedback on a draft toolkit designed to help developing countries in the implementation of effective transfer pricing documentation requirements.



Beyond Asia Pacific

[Ireland: Budget 2020 to be presented 8 October 2019](#)

The KPMG member firm in Ireland has prepared a series of reports and short video presentations concerning possible items or expectations for the budget.

[United States: Nonresident state income tax withholding, cross-border business travelers](#)

The role of U.S.-based cross-border business traveler is growing with today's increasingly mobile business environment. Consequently, the ability of multistate employers and their third-party providers to proactively manage the overall compliance issues associated with domestic, state-to-state, and short-term travel is vital to bringing together both business and regulatory demands. Add to the equation various types of income—including base compensation, bonus payouts, and equity compensation—and the job of accurately tracking and taxing mobile employees can quickly become onerous and technically challenging.



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