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EANO VAT 2024

10th EANO VAT PhD Seminar on Indirect Taxes

Call for Applications

8 May 2024
Faculty of Law, University of Graz (Austria)

We cordially invite doctoral students researching on indirect taxation to the 10th PhD seminar on VAT and other Indirect Taxes, which will be held at the University of Graz, Austria, on May 8th 2024.

Background

Despite its policy significance, research in indirect taxes, in particular on VAT/ GST, is still somewhat underdeveloped. The aim of the EANO VAT PhD Seminar Series on Indirect Tax is therefore to foster research in VAT/GST and other indirect taxes, and to create an arena for doctoral researchers in indirect taxes to meet each other, and exchange experiences with both their peers and senior academics working in this area, within an informal atmosphere.

Our main focus is upon doctoral researchers at European Law Schools with a research project in VAT. However, we are open to participants from other regions of the world or whose research investigates indirect taxes other than VAT (e.g., excises or customs duties).

This initiative is organized by six scholars specializing in indirect tax research, and it has been designed as an annually recurring event. The first edition was held in April 2013 at Lund University (Sweden). It was followed by seminars at Université Catholique de

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Louvain (Belgium), at Durham University (UK), at Münster University (Germany), at University of Leeds (UK), and at the Erasmus University Rotterdam (the Netherlands). Feedback and comments at those events were extremely positive, and we are therefore happy to announce the 10th edition of this initiative, this time hosted by the University of Graz (Austria).

Time, place and costs

The PhD Seminar will take place on Wednesday, 8 May 2024 from 10 am to 4 pm, at the Faculty of Law, University of Graz, Austria. The faculty is located near the city center and is easily accessible by public transport.

The seminar, and accommodation, will be free of charge. Travel expenses are to be covered by the participants themselves. More specific information will be provided in due time. Please check our web-page at www.eanovat.org.

The day before the PhD Seminar, on Tuesday, 7 May 2024, the academic conference will be held at the same venue, details of which will be provided shortly. Participants of the PhD Seminar will be invited to attend this conference, free of cost, as well as the speaker's dinner on that day. Separate registration for the academic conference is not needed.

Applications

In order to have a lively and intense discussion of research projects, we can admit only a limited number of participants, up to 15 PhD students. The intention is that up to six candidates will briefly present their research, focusing on key research issues they have identified and which they would like to discuss. All participants are then welcome to participate actively in the debate.

Candidates are asked to send an application to Professor Tina Ehrke-Rabel (tax@uni-graz.at) by April 1st at the latest.

The application should contain the following information:

- A CV with contact details, supervisors' name and University affiliation;
- A brief (maximum 5 pages) description of the research project;
- Information on stage in which the candidate is in (when did you start and when are you scheduled to have your viva /public defense);
- Whether you would also like to do a presentation or just to participate; and
- Whether you intend to participate in the Academic Conference on May 7th 2024.

You are welcome to participate in the seminar, even if you have just started your PhD research and feel it is too early to discuss your research in depth. However, if the number of applicants wishing to present their research exceeds the available presentation spaces, the selection of presenters will be at our discretion based on defined criteria, such as the stage of their research (priority shall be given to those coming towards the end of their studies, but prior to their vivas), whether they have presented before (priority shall be given to those who have not yet presented their research at an EANO VAT event), and the topic of the research (if possible we will try to have presentations that can be grouped together based on, for example, the fact that they deal with the same theme or raise similar issues).

Please do forward this invitation to others who may be interested.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Graz!

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