

Information regarding IFA European region congress and scholarship

Dear colleagues

Hope all is fine with you.

As you may know, IFA has decided to create a regional chapter aggregating 35 European countries. With this short communication, I would like to highlight some information that may be of your interest.

1. Second Annual Congress of IFA Europe: Milan, 14-15 May 2020.

The second annual congress of IFA Europe will take place in Milan on the 14-15 May 2020. One of the main topics was already defined: the tax ramifications of frontier workers on personal and corporate income tax. The subject will cover: (i) domestic tax rules including special regimes with special reference to issues of interpretation, (ii) special tax treaties on cross-frontier workers, (iii) special issues under Article 15 OECD MC, (iv) EU tax aspects, and (v) corporate tax ramifications with special reference to PE threshold in the country of work and special bilateral arrangements relating to cross frontier activities.

2. IFA European Region scholarship program

IFA Europe welcomes applications to the 1st edition of its scholarship program on the topic of the congress mentioned above ("frontier workers"). The ideal candidate would be a senior tax expert on this field.

The deadline for applications is 30st of August 2019. In case you know someone that would be interested in benefiting from this scholarship please ask her/him to submit applications to IFAEuropeanregion@maisto.it Applications should include a project description, a CV, evidence of the applicant's membership in one of the branches of the European Region, and evidence of a PhD obtained in taxation or of ten years of full-time experience in this field.

The selection will occur in mid-September. The successful candidate would draft a first report, to be presented during the month of December, with an outline of the main issues raised by the topic, the relevant bibliography and a suggested line-up of topics to be covered by the panel. The final report (between 50 and 70 pages, times new roman, single space, 12 without descriptive parts) would be submitted until the end of April 2020, and the report would be made available to the attendants of the IFA Europe congress ahead of the meeting.

The proposed amount of the scholarship is 20.000 EUR.

3. European Region LinkedIn

IFA Europe has created a LinkedIn group: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8769163/



All IFA members are kindly welcome to contribute, particularly with discussions on tax treaties. The guidelines for the posts can be found in the group.

4. IFA Europe research position at IBFD

IFA Europe will invite, every year, a research to spend 3 months at IBFD to perform research on possible topics of future conferences. The researcher will receive a grant of 10,000 Euro, to be paid after the delivery of the final reports. The researcher should have a PhD in taxation or a LLM / Master in International Taxation.

Applications should be submitted until end of August (IFAEuropeanregion@maisto.it), and the scholarship holder would be appointed at the Board meeting of the annual congress (which would also indicate the topics to be researched). The researcher would start in January of the following year.

Best regards.

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