

Americas Tax Roundup

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Latest news - Americas

Brazil allows limited liability companies to be incorporated with a single shareholder

Brazil has enacted a law amending the Brazilian Civil Code to allow limited liability companies to be incorporated with a single member or shareholder. The law does not prohibit foreign legal entities from being a sole shareholder, subject to limitations provided under other laws, and it allows more flexibility for investments in Brazil by nonresidents.

Argentina establishes early VAT reimbursement procedure for fixed-asset investments

Argentina's government has established the procedures under which taxpayers with value-added tax (VAT) credits derived from fixed-asset investments that are at least six months old may be eligible for a VAT credit reimbursement. Companies doing business in Argentina should review the new procedure and assess the potential benefits in relation to their past and future investments.

Peru issues procedure for disclosing the ultimate beneficial ownership of entities

The Peruvian Tax Authority has established the procedure for disclosing the ultimate beneficial ownership of entities. Entities that are considered "principal taxpayers" by the Peruvian Tax Authority on 30 November 2019 must disclose their ultimate beneficial owners on Virtual Form 3800 in December 2019. Legal entities not considered "principal taxpayers" will file Virtual Form 3800 according to the schedule to be published in the future.

Canada: MLI enters into force on 1 December 2019

The "Multilateral Convention to Implement Tax Treaty Related Measures to Prevent Base Erosion and Profit Shifting" (MLI) will enter into force vis-à-vis Canada on 1 December 2019. For any particular covered tax treaty, the MLI will enter into effect in accordance with the provisions set forth in the treaty's "entry into effect" articles and will apply to some of Canada's tax treaties with effect as early as 1 January 2020.

Uruguay's Executive Power proposes bill for promotion of scientific research on cannabis

Uruguay's Executive Power has submitted a bill to the General Assembly that would promote research and scientific knowledge on cannabis by allowing the Executive Power to exempt laboratory equipment and supplies used in cannabis research from import duties. The importation of such equipment and supplies would not require a customs broker.

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- Colombia and Latvia: Latvia expressed interest in negotiating tax treaty
- Quebec and Bulgaria: social security agreement signed
- Uruguay and Italy: Uruguay ratified tax treaty

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- The European General Court rules that the Netherlands did not grant illegal State aid to Starbucks (25 September 2019)
- India reduces tax rates for Indian companies (25 September 2019)
- Australian taxation of exit gains made by offshore funds RCF IV special leave to appeal denied (23 September 2019)
- India liberalizes foreign direct investment policy for certain sectors (23 September 2019)
- The Netherlands introduces thin capitalization rule for insurers (23 September 2019)

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 OECD releases Switzerland Stage 2 peer review report on implementation of Action 14 minimum standard (26 September 2019)

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