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To the Members of the Executive Board of the CFE

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The 7th European Conference on Tax Advisers' Professional Affairs

“Tax transparency – How to make it work?”

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that the next *Professional Affairs Conference* of the CFE will take place on:

Friday, 05 December 2014 at 09.00 hrs
at Maison du Barreau, Auditorium
Rue de Harlay 2, 75001 Paris, France

Please find enclosed the following documents:

- Programme of the Conference
- Registration form
- List of hotels
- A map indicating the place of venue and hotels
- Hotels reservations forms

For any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Yours sincerely,

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Time: 09.00 - 13.30 hrs

Place: Paris, Maison du Barreau, rue de Harlay 2, 75001 Paris, France

The Confédération Fiscale Européenne (CFE), the European federation of tax advisers, would like to invite you to the 7th European Conference on Tax Advisers' Professional Affairs which will take place on Friday, 5 December 2014 in Paris.

Recent tax policy discussions may give the impression that tax transparency is the new panacea, capable of ensuring fair competition between undertakings and between states, reliable tax revenues and finally, fostering democracy and good governance in developing countries.

The Conference will deal with three aspects of tax transparency currently discussed at EU and OECD level:

- corporate country-by-country reporting
- mandatory disclosure of tax avoidance schemes
- “cooperative compliance” in the relationship between taxpayers and their advisers and the tax administration.

In 2014, following vehement discussions, the EU legislators opted against the introduction of country-by-country reporting of tax payments by all large enterprises in the EU Accounting Directive, but included a review clause to make sure that the topic will remain on the agenda.

Disclosure of tax avoidance schemes, mandatory in a number of countries, is in the focus of OECD as one possible solution to fight “base erosion and profit shifting” (BEPS) and mentioned in Action 12 of BEPS.

“Cooperative compliance” finally is a term coined by the OECD, advocating an end of the adversarial relationship between taxpayers/advisers and tax authorities. The French tax administration's recently introduced “relationship of trust” is taking a similar approach.

High-level speakers from OECD and tax administration as well as business representatives, academics and tax practitioners will explore how to make tax transparency workable for taxpayers and their advisers and discuss whether cooperative compliance is a model for the future or merely a fair weather approach.

Details of booking arrangements you will find on the [CFE website](#). For further information please do not hesitate to contact the CFE Office in Brussels:

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