

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2020

Dear Member,

The past month has been a very significant one for IOTA: we hosted our largest digital event so far where we welcomed over 320 participants! We are glad to see that our events generate a lot of interest and hope to see a lot of our member tax officials at upcoming webinars and forums as well. We have a packed schedule until June - keep on scrolling to find out more!

IOTA News

Job Announcement: IOTA Executive Secretary 2021-2024

IOTA is seeking candidates for the position of Executive Secretary for the period 2021-2024. The organisation is looking for an outstanding individual who can ensure a high standard management of the Secretariat of the Organisation and contribute to strategic planning and formulation of IOTA policies and strategies, delivering IOTA outputs and consolidating its role in the tax international framework.

The successful candidate must be able to demonstrate clearly her/his career achievements so far, referring to the corresponding qualities, skills and experiences as stipulated in this call for the position of Executive Secretary.

The application deadline is 10th May 2021.

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Webinar on Social Network Analysis



The IOTA Webinar on *Social Network Analysis - Use of the Network Analysis to Detect Tax Frauds* was held on 10th March 2021. It was IOTA's largest digital event so far, with over 320 participants joining the live event.

The IOTA Webinar on SNA welcomed four presenters from Australia, Poland, the Netherlands and Norway sharing the practical examples of applying the social network analysis in identifying the missing trader in carousel fraud schemes or during debt collection processes.

[Watch summary video](#)

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Updated IOTA Work Programme

The updated **Activities Calendar of the IOTA Work Programme for 2021** has been uploaded to our website. The following changes have been made in relation to IOTA technical and administrative activities:

- **New date for the IOTA webinar "Risks of the digital economy: analysis, control measures and development of methods":** 28th May 2021
- **New dates for the 126th (digital) meeting of IOTA Executive Council:** 26th-27th May 2021
- **New date for the next IOTA Talks with Principal Contact Persons:** 11th June 2021



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Activities

Please note: Registration for the below events is only possible for Principal Contact Persons of IOTA. If you would like to attend, kindly contact the PCP or Shadow PCP of your Tax Administration to invite you to register online to the IOTA event you are interested in.



Webinar: COVID-19 Crisis

Understanding and Addressing New Opportunities for Tax Evasion and Tax Fraud

7th April 2021

The aim of this webinar is to focus on the successful measures taken to reduce the risks associated with tax frauds and tax evasion, particularly in the field of VAT or frauds in personal/income tax following the COVID-19 emergency changes in tax legislation (e.g. frauds in abusing the support provided to the most affected taxpayers, as well as in the traditional economic sectors such as the construction sector).

Registration deadline: 6th April 2021

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28th Forum of IOTA Principal Contact Persons

'Reimagining the post-pandemic IOTA that works for all Members'

14th-15th April 2021, Digital Event

Looking ahead to a post-pandemic world, this year the key focus of the Forum will be on identifying and adopting new ways of working at speed and at scale in order to continue providing more value to the member community. The 28th Forum of IOTA PCPs will facilitate debates around the topics that will shape the post-pandemic Organisation – such as hybrid operations/activities of IOTA, innovative formats for collaboration and best practice sharing, digitalisation of IOTA services, next steps in peer-to-peer technical assistance, financial sustainability, value-added collaboration with international partners, effective internal and external communications, etc.

More information to follow soon!



IOTA Forum on Communication: 'Tax Communication - Back to the Future'

28th-29th April 2021, Digital Event

The IOTA Forum will offer the opportunity for participants to share their knowledge about current trends in the new communication environment as well as their experiences and plans for operating in this new reality. One of the key questions to be addressed at the Forum meeting will be how to resume the pre-pandemic communication activities while adapting them to the new reality.

The registration deadline for this event has been extended!

Deadline to submit country profile: 8th April 2021

Deadline for PCPs to nominate Group Discussion participant(s): 8th April 2021

Deadline to register to the event: 26th April 2021, 12.00 pm CEST

[Find out more](#)



IOTA Forum on Combating VAT Fraud

18th-19th May 2021, Digital Event

The purpose of the Forum meeting is to assess the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on members' strategies for combating VAT frauds. In addition, it will explore also any new VAT fraud trends, in particular VAT frauds facilitated by the use alternative payment systems and money laundering.

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Member News

Georgia TADAT Assessment 2020



In 2020, a repeated performance assessment of the Revenue Service of the Ministry of Finance of Georgia, was conducted by the IMF using the TADAT methodology. **According to the 2020 assessment report, compared to the assessment conducted in 2016, 14 indicators of 8 Performance Outcome Areas are improved.**

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Spain TADAT Self-Assessment

The Spanish Tax Agency (AEAT) has conducted a self-assessment of its performance with TADAT assisted by IMF officials, the results of which have been released on 22nd March 2021.



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New Web Page of the Moldovan State Tax Service



The State Tax Service of the Republic of Moldova will launch the new website of the institution on 1st April 2021. The website portal will have a multidimensional, dynamic and intuitive structure that will implement the latest trends in the field of interaction with Internet users and exposure of multimedia elements.

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