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MEETING DOCUMENT

From:	Presidency
To:	Working Party on Tax Questions (Digital Taxation)
Subject:	Presentation for the WPTQ- digital taxation

Delegations will find attached the presentation by the Presidency for the Working Party on Tax Questions (Digital Taxation) on 23 January 2020.

Croatian Presidency of the Council of the European Union

1 January-30 June 2020



„A strong Europe in a world of challenges”



Croatian Presidency Priorities

- **A Europe that develops**

Balanced and sustainable development of the Union and its Member States.

- **A Europe that connects**

Networked economy and use of its infrastructural and human potentials.

- **A Europe that protects**

A safer Union and its citizens.

- **An influential Europe**

Global leader and strong partner to its neighbours.

Green Deal

The Croatian Presidency will launch the discussion on:

- The next steps regarding Commission Communication „The European Green Deal”



Izvor: Hrvatska turistička zajednica, autor Ivo Biočina

Value Added Tax

The Croatian Presidency will continue discussion on:

Definitive VAT regime

- Including key elements of the Proposal with the view not to prevent or slow down efforts to improve the current VAT system
- Accompanying measures using the advantages of modern technology in order to facilitate and simplify tax compliance and reduce tax fraud



Value Added Tax

The Croatian Presidency will continue discussion on:
VAT rates proposal

- Bearing in mind that „nothing is agreed until everything is agreed”



Excise Duties

The Croatian Presidency will aim to reach:

- **Compromise solution for the Alcohol Directive**
- **Council Conclusions on the evaluation of the Tobacco Directive**



Izvor:  hrvatska turistička zajednica, autor Ivo Biočina

Financial Transaction Tax

The Croatian Presidency will:

- Facilitate strategic debate on the state of play primarily at HLWP meeting
- Organize and facilitate discussion in an inclusive manner when enhanced cooperation participating MS table the draft text of the proposal



Common Corporate Tax Base

The Croatian Presidency intends to continue:

- **Discussion** at technical level on the core elements of the common corporate tax base in order to allow further progress on this file
- **Monitoring** the developments at OECD/G20 level



FISCALIS programme 2021-2027

The Croatian Presidency will:

- Resume the work on the FISCALIS programme after the finalization of the MFF negotiations.



Izvor: Hrvatska Kristićka zajednica, autor Julien Duval

Code of Conduct Subgroups

Subgroup on external issues:

- Revision of the EU list of non-cooperative jurisdictions
- Extension of the geographical scope
- Resume discussions and look for an agreement on new criterion 1.4. Exchange of beneficial ownership information

Subgroup on internal issues:

- Standstill/rollback review process
- Monitoring of the implementation of the agreed guidance

Taxation of the Digital Economy

The Croatian Presidency will aim at:

- Proactive monitoring of the developments at OECD/G20 level
- Providing coordination opportunities among EU Member States



Key Dates

13 February	WPTQ - Digital taxation
18 February	ECOFIN
3 March	HLWP
17 March	ECOFIN
19 March	WPTQ – Direct taxation
08 April	WPTQ – Direct taxation
24 and 25 April	Informal ECOFIN (Zagreb)
29 April	HLWP
6 May	WPTQ – Direct taxation
19 May	ECOFIN
27 and 28 May	Informal HLWP (Split)
4 June	HLWP
12 June	ECOFIN (Luxembourg)
23 June	Closing reception of the HR PRES ECOFIN team

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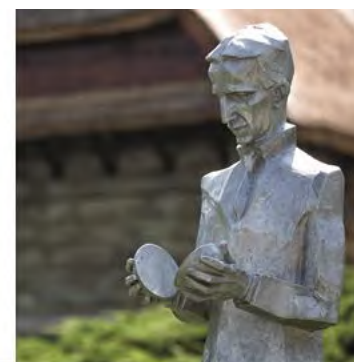
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