



Special Committee on Tax Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance (TAX3)

Mission to Latvia (Riga)
30 August to 31 August 2018

PROGRAMME

Thursday, 30 August 2018

Time	Institution/Host	Address/Tel	Subject
<i>13:45 bus leaving the airport. Transfer to the passenger terminal of the port.</i>			
14:00 - 16:15	Meeting with free ports authorities (including visit of free port) Mr Andris Ameriks, Chairman of the Board Mr Ansis Zeltins, CEO Edgars Suna, Deputy CEO and the Customs representatives: Mr Lauris Krivans, Head of the Customs Clearance Unit and Customs Process Management and Maris Purins, Deputy Head of Customs Control Points of Riga Customs Control Points' Division of the National Customs Board	<i>Visit of the freeport by boat (20 minutes) followed by meeting.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transparency of customs freeports
<i>Transfer to EP premises: 30 minutes</i>			

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16:45 - 17.45	Meeting with relevant banks involved in ML issues as well as resident banks: The Finance Latvia Association (Association of Latvian Commercial Banks until July 2018)(Board and Council Members invited, main speakers Ms Sanda Liepina and Mr Janis Brazovskis; Swedbank and Luminor bank represented by this entity) ABLV Bank still tbc (Mr Ernests Bernis, Chairman)(the team of liquidation also invited);	EPLO office in Riga, Aspazijas bulvāris 28, Centra rajons, Rīga, LV-1050	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance with Anti Money Laundering rules
17.50 – 18.50	Meeting with stakeholders: Ms Sanita Jemberga, Mr Juris Paiders, Ms Liene Gatere	EPLO office in Riga, Aspazijas bulvāris 28, Centra rajons, Rīga, LV-1050	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fight against money laundering, corruption • Golden visas permits • Fight against aggressive tax planning and tax evasion
19:00 - 19.45	Register of Enterprises, responsible for the beneficial ownership register (Ms Guna Paidere, Chief State Notary; Ms Laima Letina, Deputy Head of Legal department)	EPLO office in Riga, Aspazijas bulvāris 28, Centra rajons, Rīga, LV-1050	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beneficial ownership register
<i>Transfer to the hotel and own arrangements for dinner</i>			

Friday 31st August 2018

Transfer from the hotel to the EP Premises: 30 minutes. Depart from the hotel at 8:15

Time	Institution/Host	Address/Tel	Subject
8:45 - 10:00	Meeting with representatives of AML authorities (Mr Peters Putnins, Chairman, Financial and Capital Market Commission; Ms Ilze Znotina, Chairperson, Office for Prevention of Laundering of Proceeds Derived from Criminal Activity (FIU Latvia)) and Bank of Latvia (Ms Zoja Razmusa, Deputy Governor, currently acting Governor)	EPLO office in Riga, Aspazijas bulvāris 28, Centra rajons, Rīga, LV-1050	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti Money Laundering enforcement • Banking supervision
<i>Transfer to the Parliament of Latvia and security checks: 30 minutes</i>			
10:30 - 11:45	Meeting with National Parliament representatives Defence, Internal Affairs and Corruption Prevention Committee (Mr Ainars Latkovskis, Chairman) Budget and Finance Committee; (Mr. Imants Parādnieks, Deputy Chairman, Mr. Ints Dālderis, Secretary)	Jēkaba iela 11, Red Hall, Centra rajons, Rīga, LV-1050, Latvia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fight against Money Laundering • Taxation policy
12.15 – 13:00	Meeting with Minister of Finances (Ms Dana Reizniece-Ozola) and the acting director general of the State Revenue Service (Ms Dace Pelēkā)	Smilšu iela 1, Centra rajons, Rīga, LV-1050, Latvia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fight against Money Laundering • Fight against aggressive tax planning and tax evasion
13:00	<i>End of mission</i>		
13:15 - 13:30	Press conference	EPLO office in Riga, Aspazijas bulvāris 28, Centra rajons, Rīga, LV-1050	Only for the Chair and the Co-rapporteurs

List of participants

Members	Language	Group
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