



Americas Tax Center

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The Ernst & Young Americas Tax Center (ATC) is a platform that links the tax practices in the 33 Ernst & Young member firms comprising the Americas region. One of three global centers, the ATC provides cross-border technical capability and an enhanced level of service to clients with operations throughout the Americas and the world. The ATC brings together a core team of Ernst & Young tax leaders able to harness the experience and knowledge of more than 10,000 Ernst & Young tax professionals in the Americas.

The closely coordinated network covered by the ATC creates the ability to better navigate the intricacies of diverse markets and changing administrative, legislative and political environments. This will result in quicker, better and more cost-efficient service to our clients.

ATC leaders work with tax account leaders in member firm offices to provide clients with seamless, exceptional service throughout the Americas, and will team with Ernst & Young professionals in the other regional centers to address clients' global needs.

What we do

- ▶ **Tax policy:** As countries in the Americas focus on growth and competitiveness, governments are increasingly focused on tax policy to raise revenue and promote economic agendas. We help clients stay ahead of the legislative curve by identifying tax trends on the horizon, analyzing proposed legislation and reporting on potential implications.
- ▶ **Tax controversy:** Ernst & Young's global tax controversy network has extensive experience helping manage and resolve complex and sensitive tax issues or disputes on both a domestic and cross-border basis with taxing authorities. Our controversy professionals can leverage the network's collective knowledge of how individual tax authorities operate and how tax authorities are increasingly working together throughout the world.
- ▶ **Global compliance and reporting:** Working through the ATC, clients can access the resources of our compliance and reporting professionals in 140 countries across the globe. Our next generation model focuses on global data management, making it easier to centralize and re-use data across financial supply chain and geographical boundaries.

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- ▶ **Global tax desks:** These senior staff professionals from member firms around the world respond to challenges immediately and cost-effectively, avoiding time zone barriers and the high cost of international travel. They provide tax advice on expansion into new countries and markets and cross-border transactions in an increasingly dynamic world market.
- ▶ **Tax effective supply chain management:** Our tax effective supply chain management (TESCM) teams help multinational organizations identify, analyze, prioritize, co-develop and implement international tax planning strategies. Our TESCM teams use a multidisciplinary business approach addressing such issues as accounting, corporate income tax, customs, human resources, information systems, legal, management consulting, transfer pricing, treasury, and value-added tax (VAT) and other consumption taxes.
- ▶ **Tax performance advisory:** Companies' tax functions need to manage competing responsibilities and stakeholders effectively while delivering enhanced performance not just in the tax department, but across the wider business as well. Our Tax Performance Advisory practices help clients meet these challenges and achieve enhanced performance, focusing on building strong compliance and reporting foundations, effective risk management protocols and a high-performing tax function.
- ▶ **Customs and International Trade:** In today's global economy, moving goods internationally can be a complex and costly activity. Our customs and international trade professionals help clients operate more effectively in moving goods around the world. We help develop and implement strategies to manage duty costs by utilizing free trade agreements, special programs and appropriate transactional structuring.
- ▶ **Value added tax (VAT):** Multinational corporations must contend with varying VAT laws throughout the world, and also with the day-to-day management of these taxes and the associated compliance obligations. Our VAT practices respond to our clients' global VAT needs to help structure business transactions to address VAT issues.

Benefits of working with the Americas Tax Center

- ▶ Exceptional client service that is borderless throughout the Americas
- ▶ Access to other regional tax centers through a single point of contact within the ATC
- ▶ Coordinated global efforts at a time of increased transparency and knowledge sharing between countries
- ▶ Access to senior tax professionals focusing on global tax issues

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