

Stamp duty for HR: Navigating legislative changes and self- assessment

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Session highlights

- Recent developments: Changes in the exemption value for employment contracts and other updates.
- Recap: The must-know basics.
- Navigating the stamp duty self-assessment system (SDSAS).
- Stamp duty impact on various HR-related instruments.
- Real-life scenarios and best practices in managing stamp duty compliance.
- Overview of the new e-Stamp Duty Portal and demo to navigate.
- How to be audit ready.

Insights into your queries

- Frequently asked questions.
- Opportunity to raise questions or discuss issues and practical solutions on the above topics.

Who should attend?

- HR directors, managers and executives
- Finance directors, tax directors, managers and executives
- Legal executives
- Business owners

This workshop is part two of the series that began with “HR evolution: Insights into stamp duty updates”. With the recent changes to the exemption value for employment contracts, the introduction of the self-assessment system and updates on penalty clauses, it is important to stay informed and prepared. This session will provide practical insights into how these updates impact employment contracts and other instruments related to human resources (HR).

We will guide you on how to manage stamp duty compliance efficiently through real-life scenarios and a demo of the new e-Stamp Duty Portal. Gain clarity on which documents require stamping, how to use the e-Stamp Duty Portal effectively and what it takes to be audit-ready under the new framework.

Join us for this informative session and take proactive steps toward strengthening your organization’s stamp duty compliance. Seats are limited, so please RSVP early to secure your spot. We look forward to welcoming you and supporting your journey toward a confident and compliant HR operation.

Time	Session
8:00 a.m.	Registration and breakfast
8:30 a.m.	Welcome and introduction
8:35 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recent developments and other updates ▪ Recap of the must-know basics ▪ Implementation of self-assessment: Key responsibilities for employers and timeline ▪ Impact, considerations and practical scenarios on various HR-related instruments
10:30 a.m.	Tea break
10:55 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Best practices in managing stamp duty compliance ▪ Demo of new e-Stamp Duty Portal: Registration process and common issues ▪ Offenses and penalties ▪ How to be ready for stamp duty audits
12:20 p.m.	Employer’s next steps
12:45 p.m.	Q&A
1:00 p.m.	End

Speaker profiles



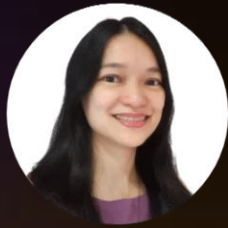
Christopher Lim

Partner, People
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Ernst & Young Tax
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Christopher has over 20 years of experience in People Advisory Services Tax, focusing on global mobility, tax and immigration. He has also been involved in various e-Invoicing implementation projects for corporate clients, as well as several projects involving the development and implementation of global mobility policies for multinational companies (MNCs).

He is a Fellow Certified Practicing Accountant (FCPA) with CPA Australia, a Chartered Accountant (CA) with the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA) and a licensed tax agent under the Income Tax Act (ITA) 1967.



Chia Mee Leng

Director, People
Advisory Services
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Mee Leng has over 20 years of experience in providing tax advice and compliance services to employers and employees from MNCs and local companies in a wide array of industries. She also has in-depth knowledge and experience in employer tax audit. Additionally, Mee Leng oversees the tax affairs of EY member firms in Malaysia and is part of the team charged with the swift implementation of e-Invoicing for these EY member firms in Malaysia.

She is a licensed tax agent under the ITA 1967 and a member of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia (CTIM). She also regularly conducts People Advisory Services Tax workshops and seminars for clients and tax training for internal staff.



Shobana Rathakrishnan

Director, People
Advisory Services
Tax,

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Shobana has over 16 years of experience in individual income tax, focusing on global mobility and tax. She helps to manage expatriate tax for international assignees from various industries and is involved in tax planning projects for employees on cross-border assignments.

She has also extensive experience in share plan advisory, personal tax planning and advisory engagements. She regularly conducts payroll due diligence reviews for companies, providing recommendations on structuring cost-effective remuneration and compensation packages. She is also actively involved in conducting People Advisory Services Tax workshops and seminars for clients, as well as tax training for internal staff.

Speaker profiles



**Musdarina
Mustafa**

Senior Manager,
People Advisory
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Musdarina has extensive experience in managing cross-border tax compliance for individuals and providing tax advice to individuals, employees and employers. Her tax compliance and consultancy work includes assisting clients in structuring cost-effective remuneration and compensation packages for both expatriates and local executives, as well as cross-border expatriate tax planning and conducting Malaysian tax briefings.

Musdarina also has significant experience in providing advice on Malaysian immigration matters and is involved in providing immigration services. She is also involved in conducting tax training for internal staff and clients.



Catherine Low

Senior Manager,
People Advisory
Services Tax,

Ernst & Young Tax
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Catherine has over 13 years of experience in managing expatriate tax matters for international assignees from a range of industries particularly the consultancy, consumer products and IT industries. She has broad experience in tax planning exercises for employees on cross-border assignments, as well as remuneration restructuring exercises to enhance tax efficiency for individuals and employers.

She has conducted tax compliance reviews for companies to assess and highlight risks of non-compliance as an employer. Catherine is also involved as part of the regional coordinator for her clients' assignees management. She has assisted clients to review their international assignment policies, which include tax equalization policies, reviewing employment contracts or secondment letters and providing recommendations to increase tax efficiency.

Registration information

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Fee (RM)

Standard rate

750.00

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Location	Date	Time	Enquiries	Registration link
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Penang: Eastern & Oriental (E&O) Hotel	27 January 2026		Click here	Click here
Johor Bahru: Renaissance Johor Bahru Hotel	28 January 2026		Click here	Click here
Kuching: The Waterfront Hotel	4 February 2026		Click here	Click here
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- Training provider name: **Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd.**
- Course title: **Stamp duty for HR: Navigating legislative changes and self-assessment**
- Scheme name: **HRD Corp Claimable Course**
- Type of training: **Public**
- Total training hours: **4.0 (Half day)**
- Trainers (only need to insert one name from the list): **Christopher Lim**
- Level of certification: **Certificate of attendance**

Trainer profile for HRD Corp



Christopher Lim

Partner, People Advisory Services Tax,
Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Education

Bachelor of Commerce majoring in Accounting, Murdoch University, Australia

Memberships and affiliations

- Fellow Certified Practicing Accountant (FCPA), CPA Australia
- Chartered Accountant, Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA)
- Licensed tax agent with the Ministry of Finance, Malaysia

Professional background

- Christopher has over 25 years of experience in Malaysian individual tax compliance and advisory services, as well as corporate immigration compliance and advisory services. He has significant mobility consulting experience, dealing with a variety of cross-border human resource tax and immigration issues. He has worked on projects to develop and implement global mobility policies for MNCs and is well-versed in different cross-border policy practices for employees. He has also assisted clients in structuring cost-effective remuneration packages for both expatriates and local executives, as well as cross-border expatriate tax and immigration planning.
- Christopher has also been involved in various e-Invoicing implementation projects for corporate clients, in addition to numerous projects involving the development and implementation of global mobility policies for MNCs.
- A regular speaker at national tax conferences and seminars.

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 - a) Must register at the counter by 8:00 a.m. on the day of the workshop.
 - b) The e-certificate of attendance will only be released to registered participant with full attendance and full payment after the completion of the event.

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