

# II Seminar UCM – DESAFÍO

# Business and Human Rights: The Tax Perspective



**DESAFÍO Research Project:** "Fiscal measures to promote socially responsible foreign investment: legal approach and impact on institutions and accountancy in developing economies" (DER2012-36510)

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(Instituto de Estudios Fiscales, Aula 1.6

Av. Cardenal Herrera Oria, 378)

# Abstract:

This seminar will deal with the United Nations Guiding principles on Business and Human Rights, and their expected impact on tax legislation, once included in the National Plans.

The British Plan is the first one in force and embodies the UK's commitment to protect human rights by helping UK companies understand and manage human rights. It affects business behaviour, both in the UK and overseas.

In Spain, the National Plan on Business and Human Rights (to be approved before the end of 2014), and the one on Corporate Social Responsibility contain references to financial and tax issues that must be considered to allow their proper implementation.

# This event will be partly held in English, without simultaneous translation

# PROGRAMME

# 9:15 h Registration

## 9:30 h Welcome and Opening

RAÚL CANOSA USERA. Dean, Faculty of Law, Complutense University Madrid

CRISTINA GARCÍA-HERRERA BLANCO. Adviser Member, Financial and Tax Law, Institute of Fiscal Studies, Spanish Ministry of Finance and Public Administrations

# 9:45 h Overview of the National Plans on Business and Human Rights

## Session moderator:

FERNANDO FALCÓN Y TELLA. Director, Institute for Human Rights, Complutense University Madrid

Speakers:

MATTHEW DESOUTTER. Head of Prosperity, British Embassy Madrid

Representative, Office for Human Rights, Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation

## 11:00 h Coffee Break

# 11:30 h Implementation from a tax perspective

#### Session moderator:

ANDERS HULTQVIST. Tax Law Professor, Stockholm University

Speakers:

PHILIP BAKER. QC, Field Court Tax Chambers, Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, London

MICHAEL LENNARD. Chief, International Tax Cooperation Section, United Nations

#### 12:45 h Panel Discussion

#### Session moderator:

MARTA VILLAR EZCURRA. Professor of Financial and Tax Law, CEU San Pablo University Madrid

## Speakers:

ANTONIO CAYÓN GALIARDO, President, Council for the Defence of the Taxpayer. Complutense University Madrid

MIGUEL CRUZ AMORÓS. PricewaterhouseCoopers Tax & Legal Services, UNED

STELLA RAVENTÓS CALVO. Confédération Fiscale Européenne, AEDAF, Ecija Legal

## 14:00 h Closing remarks

M. AMPARO GRAU RUIZ. Principal Investigator, Research project DESAFÍO, Complutense University Madrid

JOSÉ ANTONIO MARTÍNEZ ÁLVAREZ. Director, Institute of Fiscal Studies, Spanish Ministry of Finance and Public Administrations

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**Venue**: <u>http://www.ief.es/inf\_general/situacion.aspx?s=1#1</u>

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