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PARTICIPANTS BACKGROUND

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Alessandro Gonzato

**Curriculum: International Corporate
Taxation & Tax Governance
Specialization**

Nationality: Italian

Education:

BA and MS in Economics and Business Administration at Ca' Foscari University of Venice, 2006 (Erasmus Program at University of Antwerp)

Ph.D in Law (Commercial Curriculum), Faculty of Economics, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, 2010

Short CV:

After a semester in Paris during 2007 in the role of stagiare at the Permanent Representation of Italy to the OECD, I started working as a practitioner Chartered Accountant and Public Auditor, also dealing with tax issues. I am enrolled in the Italian Public Register since 2011. I served as Senior Advisor and Tax Associate at Tax and Law Firms based in Vicenza and Milan. I spent a semester in Luxembourg during 2015.

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Alexander Padalko

**Curriculum: International Corporate
Taxation & Tax Governance
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Nationality: Russian and Israeli

Education:

Degree in Law – Demidov’s Yaroslavl State University, 2004

International financial reporting Diploma in accounting, Moscow Higher school of
Economy, 2013

IFRS Diploma of Institute of Certified Financial Managers, 2015

Short CV:

After being graduated from the University, started his professional career in legal department of tax authorities. Then Alexander worked about 4 years in Russian audit and law firms as a tax consultant. After that he headed tax department in major engineering company for about 3 years. Now Alexander is working in international law firm (Russian desk).

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Amy Panteli

Curriculum: **Swiss Curriculum**

Nationality: British

Education:

University of Kent / Université de Grenoble II – English and French Laws LLB

University of Lausanne : Mlaw – Masters in International and Comparative Law

University of Law, UK : LPC / LLM – International Legal Practice

Short CV:

Amy has over 5 years of experience in providing international tax advisory and compliance services, having also previously worked at Deloitte Luxembourg and now based at Deloitte Zurich. Her clients include large multinational groups, international family offices and HNWI.

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Anna Sidorova

Curriculum: **Swiss Curriculum**

Nationality: Russian

Education:

Master of Law, University of Lausanne, 2016, Magna cum laude
Bachelor of Law, University of Lausanne, 2014

Short CV:

Anna carried out internships in MCE Law Firm (Lausanne), as well as in a non-profit Swiss association, Gaea21.

Since 2016, she is part of the tax team at Bonnard Lawson International Law Firm in Geneva. As a tax associate, Anna's areas of activity are mainly international and Swiss taxation for private and corporate clients. In particular, she renders advice to HNWI, as well as to (multinational) companies, regarding tax and estate planning.

Languages spoken : Russian, French, English, German.

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Cristiano Viotti

Curriculum: International Corporate
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Nationality: BRAZIL

Education: Graduation in Law by Milton Campos University in Brazil
Postgraduation in Economic Law by Fundação Getúlio Vargas in Brazil
Specialization in Tax Treaties and EU VAT by IBFD (Amsterdam)

Short CV: Former Member of the PwC tax team in Brazil
Partner at Rolim, Viotti & Leite Campos Law Firm since 2006

As a litigation lawyer and advisory counsel in Brazil, Cristiano has been working for the last twenty years with Brazilian corporate tax law, indirect tax law and customs law for national and multi-national industries, Banks, Renewable Power Plants, Transmission Grids, Constructors, Mobile Network Operators, Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Companies, Technologic and Transport Service Providers concerning administrative and judicial law suits, tax compliance, due diligence, legal opinions, federal and local tax benefits assessment, crossborder transactions and tax issues derived from BR IFRS accounting standards conversion.

During his career, Cristiano had the opportunity to publish some articles and to cooperate with collective books, and for five years he worked as tax professor in the Energy Law Postgraduation Program at Fundação Getúlio Vargas in Brazil.

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Emilie Delafosse

Curriculum: **Swiss Curriculum**

Nationality: French

Education:

Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management, Finance specialisation
Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne (2009-2013)

Short CV:

After her Bachelor graduation in July 2013, Emilie was hired at Deloitte SA in Geneva and specialised in Swiss individual taxation. She received in-depth training of the Swiss individual tax system during her 2 and half years of employment in the firm.

In January 2016, she pursued her career of tax in the private banking sector, and joined CA Indosuez Switzerland SA as a Tax Specialist, providing tax support to clients residing in selected countries.

Emilie has developed experience in various tax areas: Swiss individual compliance tax services, international tax reporting & tax amnesty services.



Julien Castelluci

Curriculum: Swiss Tax Curriculum

Nationality: French

Education:

French Bar Exam, Lawyers training school of Montpellier (France - 2010)
Master 2 in Tax Law, University of Dijon (France - 2009)
Diploma in European Tax Law, University of Dijon (France - 2009)
Master 1 in Business Law, University of Clermont-Ferrand (France - 2008)
Diploma in accounting, tax and controlling, University of Clermont-Ferrand (France - 2008)
Licence in Private Law, University of Clermont-Ferrand (France - 2007)

Short CV:

Julien has 8 years of experience in international and French tax law. He started his career as a lawyer in a law firm in Paris assisting individuals with income tax and wealth tax as well as french tax audits and international tax issues. He moved to Switzerland in 2013 joining the tax department of Sonepar group (20,6 billion euros of sales in 44 countries). He is managing tax issues faced by operational companies in Europe, America and Asia (cross-border flows, withholding tax, tax audits...) and is also in charge of the French tax group. He has developed experience in various tax areas such as transfer pricing, tax due diligence, restructuring and effective tax rate monitoring. He speaks english and french.



Katalin Varga

Curriculum: International Corporate Taxation & Tax Governance specialization

Nationality: Hungarian

Education: Master's degree in Economics (Corporate Finance), Corvinus University of Budapest
Certified tax expert (Chamber of Chartered Accountants, Hungary)

Short CV: Katalin has more than 10 years experience in the field of international taxation.

She started her career as a tax advisor in the international tax/ financial services tax group at KPMG in Hungary. She also spent a few months working as a senior tax advisor for the Dutch member firm of KPMG in Amstelveen.

During her years at KPMG, Katalin was involved in various international tax planning and advisory projects including advisory on withholding tax issues, tax issues related to financing decisions, EU tax related questions, and fully blown tax structuring engagements.

After leaving the field of tax advisory, Katalin spent two years working as an in-house tax expert at the European headquarters of a telecommunications group in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Since 2015 she has worked as a regional tax manager for Europe and Australasia at General Mills International in Switzerland.



Marina Henchoz

Curriculum: International Corporate Taxation & Tax Governance Specialization

Nationality: Swiss, USA, and Greek

Education:

Marina holds a Bachelor's degree in International Banking and Financing with a minor in Business Studies from Franklin College, Switzerland.

Short CV:

Marina Henchoz is a Senior Manager in PwC Switzerland's transfer pricing and value chain transformation team. She joined PwC as an assistant over six and half years. Prior to this she worked in the Private Banking sector for two years.

Marina has experience in the following service delivery areas:

- Supporting clients during restructurings, tax audits, APAs and obtaining Swiss rulings
- Setting up an in-house TP team, including mapping processes and key milestones
- Performing VCAs and assessing IP structures from a DEMPE
- Preparation of global core, masterfile and local file documentation, as well as comparability studies for distribution, manufacturing, financing, licensing and other intercompany transactions
- Working with other PwC firms to help clients meet local TP requirements and manage local risks
- Delivering presentations and trainings to clients

She is also recognized as a specialist when it comes to financial valuations (e.g., IP and business transfer valuations, implied royalty rate analyses, internal rate of return analyses, etc.).

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Nazik EL MAHJOUBI

**Curriculum: International Corporate
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Nationality: French and Moroccan

Education:

Maitrise in European Business Law – Strasbourg - 2008
Master in International Business Law – Nancy – 2009
Bar Admission (Luxembourg) - 2012
MBA in Islamic Finance – Strasbourg – 2015

Short CV:

In 2009, after completing law studies at the University of Strasbourg (L1 - M1 European Business Law) then a Master 2 in International Trade Law at the University of Nancy, Nazik worked as a lawyer in a french SME specializing in Business Law and Intellectual Property Law. In particular, in 2010 she led an action for the defense of intellectual property rights in collaboration with the Regional Council of Lorraine in France, before starting the complementary courses of Luxembourg law which allowed her to access to the Luxembourg Bar Association.

Nazik is practicing as a Corporate Lawyer in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg since 2012. Nazik worked during almost 3 years as Legal Manager (2015- 2017) for a Swiss fiduciary branch established in Dubai (UAE). She speaks French, English, Arabic and German.

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Nicolás Cepeda

Curriculum:

International Corporate Taxation & Tax
Governance Specialization

Nationality: Spanish & Colombian

Education:

2013-2014 Master Degree in Economics & Innovation, University of Strasbourg (FR)
2012-2013 1st year Master Degree in Economic Analysis & Policy, University of Nantes (FR)
2011-2012 Bachelor Degree Economic Analysis & Policy, University of Nantes (FR)
2011-2009 1st & 2dn Year Bachelor Degree in Economics, University of Valencia (ES)

Short CV:

Concerning his professional background, in 2013, he joined ILTR with a Business Development Responsibility as a V.I.E. for a new affiliate from the company based in France before moving early 2014 to Spain as a Business Development Manager.

In this role, I led and cross-functionally organized the economic development and implementation of the company in Spain.

It's throughout this experience when he realized the fascinating environment of International Taxation.

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Nicolas Guiramand

Curriculum: *Swiss Curriculum*

Nationality: Swiss

Education:

Bachelor's degree in Law (University of Geneva)
Master's degree in Law (University of Geneva)
STEP Diploma in International Trust Management
Attorney at Law (Geneva Bar)

Short CV:

After passing the Geneva Bar exam, I went to Singapore to expand my knowledge and skills in the Tax and Trust department for private clients in an international Law Firm.

I am currently working in Litigation and Trust at a Law Firm in Geneva.

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Shilpa Anand Ralu

**Curriculum: International Corporate
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Nationality: Indian

Education:

HEAD Law School – Paris, France – LLM in International Business Law
Symbiosis Law School – Pune, India – Bachelor of Law (B.B.A, LL.B. (Honors)
Asian School of Cyber Law (ASCL) – Pune, India – Diploma in Corporate Mergers and
Acquisitions

Short CV:

Shilpa has 3 years of work experience. She started her career in litigation and arbitration then became an Indirect Tax in-house legal counsel at PepsiCo in India. In 2014, she moved to France to pursue her LL.M and after completing her studies, she learned French and interned at VAT Systems which is a tax consulting firm in Paris and focused on VAT Compliance for various clients of the firm across Europe.

In 2017, she moved to Switzerland and is currently working at Globe Refund in Lausanne where she is learning about the Direct Tax.

Spoken Languages- Hindi, English, French



Trang Fernandez- Leenknecht

Curriculum: **Swiss Curriculum**

Nationality: **Swiss**

Education:

Saïd Business School, University of Oxford - Impact Investing
CAIA - Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst
IAF - Swiss Federal Certificate in Financial Advisory
University of Zurich - Master of Law
University of Lausanne - Bachelor of Law

Short CV:

A lawyer and a certified financial planner, I built from the ground up Wealth Management for Western Switzerland at J. Safra Sarasin. Leading the strategic development, I manage relationships with multilateral stakeholders, develop new services and markets, and drive new business opportunities.

I advise private clients and entrepreneurs in wealth planning, asset protection and wealth transfer, international relocation, Swiss pension structures and planning, Swiss and international life insurance including tax, legal and occupational benefits aspects.

Passionate about social innovation and impact investing, I speak 4 languages and have travelled in 47 countries.