

# Three new Vice-Chairs are appointed to ICC Commission on Taxation

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## **The International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) has appointed three new Vice-Chairs to the ICC Commission on Taxation.**

Rocio Bermúdez, Matthew Herrington, Tom Roesser are the latest Vice-Chairs to be appointed to the ICC Commission on Taxation. Hailing from the United States, the United Kingdom, and Spain, the new Vice-Chairs bring decades of international taxation experience to the Commission.

Based in Madrid, Ms Bermúdez is the Head of Tax Global Practices and Transfer Pricing for Repsol, the Spanish energy company. Ms Bermúdez is responsible for setting up and supervising transfer pricing policies across the company, monitoring transfer pricing compliance, and working with tax authorities in different countries. As part of her role, Ms Bermúdez actively participates in technical transfer pricing forums, such as those hosted by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Business Europe, and ICC. She is also the Chair of ICC Spain's Tax Committee.

In addition, Ms Bermúdez served as the Repsol representative in European Union Joint Transfer Forum meetings in Brussels for the 2014-2019 mandate. Prior to joining Repsol in 2013, Ms Bermúdez worked in the Transfer Pricing department of Deloitte in both Spain and the Netherlands.

From the United Kingdom, Mr Herrington is a Partner at KPMG's London office, where he advises large corporate groups on international tax matters and leads the firm's international tax services for the digital economy. Over the span of his career, Mr Herrington has advised groups across a wide range of industries, including the financial services, manufacturing, digital, life sciences, TMT, and energy sectors with a particular focus on the United States.

Mr Herrington is a qualified solicitor and worked for Allen & Overy LLP (Associate), Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP (Associate), and McDermott Will & Emery LLP (Partner), before joining KPMG in October 2017. Mr Herrington is a member of several professional bodies, including the

Business and Industry Advisory Committee to the OECD, United States Council for International Business (USCIB) Tax Committee, and the ICC Commission on Taxation. He is also the Chair of ICC UK's Tax Committee.

Originally from California, Mr Roeser is the Senior Director for Tax Affairs at Microsoft. Mr. Roeser has 25 years of tax policy experience and is a member of Microsoft's Tax and Trade Leadership Team. In his current role at Microsoft, Mr Roeser manages a global tax and trade policy team and is responsible for global benefits taxation issues. Mr. Roeser has been involved in the work of the UN Committee of Tax Experts and the ICC Tax Commission and has actively contributed to the development of ICC and United States Council for International Business positions on UN issues. Mr Roeser is also very engaged in the OECD and individual member state efforts relating to the taxation of the digitalizing economy.

Before joining Microsoft, Mr. Roeser served as Tax Counsel to the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance from 1995 to 2000. Previously, Tom practiced law in California and began his career at Price Waterhouse in Century City, California.

The new Vice Chairs succeed previous Vice-Chairs Susana Bokobo, Cym Lowell and Technical Advisor, Paul Morton. ICC extends its great appreciation for their invaluable leadership and expertise which played a key role in developing sound global business policy views on government and intergovernmental projects affecting taxation.

Commenting on the new Vice Chair appointments, Christian Kaeser, Chair of the ICC Taxation Commission and Global Head of Tax at Siemens, said: "We are delighted to welcome Rocio, Matthew and Tom to the leadership team and have every confidence that their diverse experiences and expertise will be invaluable in advancing the work of the ICC Commission on Taxation."

"ICC, as the world's largest business organisation, is uniquely placed to provide views on international taxation which are global in perspective in promoting tax certainty, and cross-border trade and investment. We look forward to working with the new Vice-Chairs whose collective efforts will be instrumental to this purpose."

The ICC Commission on Taxation analyses developments in international fiscal policy and legislation and puts forward business views on government and intergovernmental projects affecting taxation. It currently comprises approximately 150 international tax experts from all sectors of business and private practice, including representatives from some of the world's leading companies and tax consultancy firms. In order to engage business views and tackle issues related to international taxation, the commission works closely with organizations such as the UN Committee of Experts in Tax Matters, the OECD, Belt and Road Initiative Tax Administration Co-operation Mechanism (BRITACOM) and the International Fiscal Association.

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