



IAFEI Weekly Update

Knowledge, Resources, News, and Announcements

Valued All IAFEI Board members, ExCom members & Advisory Committee members:

This is an issue of **IAFEI Weekly Update** for the week of **March 16, 2026**.

My heartfelt thanks go to Conchita (CLM), Piergiorgio (PGV), Oba san, and Nobu (NTA) for their continued support and for consistently recommending various kinds of content to the editorial team.

Please feel free to circulate this Weekly Update within your organization. I am hoping that this Weekly Update may increase the value of IAFEI membership. If you have any suggestions, or recommendations, or would like to participate to provide articles, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your continuous support and I would love to hear from you.

Tsutomu Mannari (TMA)
Chairman of IAFEI

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Upcoming Events (Tentative)

Date	Time	Event
Apr.		IAFEI Quarterly #61 Issue
Apr. 20 (Mon)	2PM Hanoi, 3PM Beijing/Manila/Taiwan, 4PM Tokyo, 9AM CET	GLOBAL CFO Round e-Table Global Governance and International Tax Critical Issues for CFOs <u>Speakers</u> Piergiorgio Valente Area President EMEA, IAFEI Ruston Tambunan President, AOTCA Asia-Oceania Tax Consultants Association (Indonesia) Andrea Borroni Professor of Comparative Law (Italy/Georgia)
May. 12 (Tue)	6PM Hanoi, 7PM Beijing/Manila/Taiwan, 8PM Tokyo, 1PM CET	Q2 Ex Com Meeting
Mid Jun.		Technical Committee Webinar
End Jul.		IAFEI Quarterly #62 Issue
Aug. 3 (Mon)	6PM Hanoi, 7PM Beijing/Manila/Taiwan, 8PM Tokyo, 1PM CET	Q3 Ex Com Meeting
End Aug.		Technical Committee Webinar
Mid Oct.		IAFEI DAY
Nov. 10 (Tue)	6PM Hanoi, 7PM Beijing/Manila/Taiwan, 8PM Tokyo, 12 PM CET	Q4 Ex Com Meeting + BOD Meeting
Dec. 10 (Thu)		IAFEI Quarterly #63 Issue

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SELECTED CONTENT & EDITORS' PICKS

01 **CFE tax advisers europe** | CFE's Global Tax Top 10 | January 2026 **OECD Tax Consultation on the Global Mobility of Individuals**

On 20 January 2026, the OECD held its public consultation meeting on the Global Mobility of Individuals, following a submission process carried out in late 2025 as part of the OECD Inclusive Framework's evidence-based work on the tax implications of evolving working patterns.

The consultation reflected the growing recognition that cross-border remote working, short-term stays and more flexible employment models create real challenges under existing domestic rules and tax treaty concepts, both for taxpayers and employers, as well as for tax administrations seeking workable and proportionate compliance solutions.

Aleksandar Ivanovski, Director of CFE Tax Advisers Europe, and Brodie McIntosh, Tax Policy Analyst, represented CFE at the consultation meeting. The agenda covered a wide range of issues connected to modern mobility, including economic trends shaping cross-border work, corporate income tax implications (including permanent establishment risk), the interaction with social security frameworks, and employment income taxation questions such as residence, taxing rights and compliance burdens. The discussion also highlighted how emerging work patterns, including digital nomadism and platform-based work, raise practical questions around tax certainty, administrability and coordination across jurisdictions. (... ..)

UN International Tax Cooperation Convention: Key Updates Ahead of February 2026 Negotiations

The United Nations has published key practical information and documentation ahead of the Fourth Session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for the United Nations Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation. The session will take place at UN Headquarters in New York from 2–3 and 5–13 February 2026, and will focus on advancing negotiations on the framework convention and related early protocols.

A number of key documents have been released to support the Fourth Session, including:

- a draft programme of work.
- a Co-Leads' draft framework convention template under Workstream I on the Framework Convention.
- a draft options paper on Taxation of Services, under Workstream II.
- a concept note on dispute prevention and resolution under Workstream III.
- a background note examining the policy trade-offs between gross-basis and net-basis taxation, including efficiency and equity considerations. (... ..)

Inclusive Framework Agrees Side-by-Side Package on Pillar Two

The OECD/G20 Inclusive Framework on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting agreed a Side-by-Side Package relating to the Pillar Two global minimum tax, adopted by consensus and published by the OECD Secretariat in early January 2026, delivering on earlier G7 and G20 commitments to address concerns raised by the United States, while preserving the core objectives of Pillar Two as set out in the October 2021 OECD tax agreement.

The Package comprises five core elements: simplification measures to reduce compliance and administrative burdens; a new targeted safe harbour for certain substance-based tax incentives; new safe harbours under a side-by-side system for groups headquartered in jurisdictions with eligible minimum tax regimes; an evidence-based stocktake mechanism to address potential BEPS and level playing field risks; and a reaffirmation of the central role of qualified domestic minimum top-up taxes (QDMTTs) in protecting source country tax bases.

In a subsequent webinar, the OECD Secretariat described the Package as a stabilisation and simplification intervention responding to the increased complexity expected from 2026 as Pillar Two moves into wider application. The Secretariat pointed in particular to the expiry of transitional measures at the end of 2025, the scheduled rollout of the undertaxed profits rule (UTPR) in multiple jurisdictions, and the need to provide greater certainty and operational stability for both taxpayers and tax administrations. (... ...)

Other Headlines

- **EU Tax & Customs Priorities Under the Cyprus Presidency for Semester I 2026**
- **OECD Publishes Updated Transfer Pricing Country Profiles**
- **EU Parliament Hearing on Single Market Tax Barriers & Cost of Non-Europe in Tax Harmonisation**
- **US Signals Tariff Pause as Greenland Dispute Raises Wider EU-US Trade Uncertainty**
- **ECOFIN Meeting of 20 January: Economic Governance & Policy Priorities**
- **OECD & ATAF Advance Transfer Pricing Simplification in Amount B Capacity Building Workshop**
- **New CBAM Import Requirements Effective from 1 January 2026**

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02 CFE tax advisers europe | GTAP tax advisers global platform | CFE & GTAP Meetings & Events in BRUSSELS on 23 & 24 APRIL 2026

Dear Members & Observers of GTAP,

On behalf of Professor Piergiorgio Valente, President of CFE Tax Advisers Europe & Chair of GTAP, you are kindly invited to attend the CFE & GTAP Meetings and Events taking place in Brussels on **THURSDAY 23 APRIL 2026 & FRIDAY 24 APRIL 2026**.

Please note that all meetings and events will be held **in person only**, except for the **GTAP Meeting**, which will also be available **online**. For organisational purposes, we kindly ask you to ensure that you register appropriately for the meetings and events you intend to attend.

Please find below detailed information including schedules, venues, registration links, and recommended hotels.

CFE FORUM 2026: "TAX POLICY UNDER PRESSURE: STRATEGY, COHERENCE & TRADE-OFFS"

Thursday, 23 April 2026: 09.00 hrs – 16.00 hrs

Venue: [Representation of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia to the European Union, rue Montoyer 47, 1000 Brussels](#)

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→ **Deadline for registration: 13 April 2026**

CFE 2026 TAX NETWORKING FUNCTION

Thursday, 23 April 2026: 18.00 hrs – 20.00 hrs

Venue: [Sofitel Hotel, Place Jourdan 1, 1040 Brussels \(ROOFTOP\)](#)

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→ **Deadline for registration: 13 April 2026**

CFE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS & GTAP MEETING

- **Global Tax Advisers Platform (GTAP) Meeting** → **IN PERSON & ONLINE**

Thursday, 23 April 2026: 12.30 hrs – 14.00 hrs

Venue: [Representation of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia to the European Union, rue Montoyer 47, 1000 Brussels](#)

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- **New Tax Professionals Ad Hoc Committee Meeting**

Thursday, 23 April 2026: 16.00 hrs – 18.00 hrs

Venue: [Representation of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia to the European Union, rue Montoyer 47, 1000 Brussels](#)

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- **Professional Affairs Committee Meeting**

Friday, 24 April 2026: 09.00 hrs – 12.00 hrs

Venue: [Representation of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia to the European Union, rue Montoyer 47, 1000 Brussels](#)

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- **Tax Technology Committee Meeting**

Friday, 24 April 2026: 09.00 hrs – 12.00 hrs

Venue: [Representation of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia to the European Union, rue Montoyer 47, 1000 Brussels](#)

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- **Fiscal Committee Meeting DIRECT subcommittee**

Friday, 24 April 2026: 09.00 hrs – 16.00 hrs

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Meeting agendas: **will follow in due course**

RECOMMENDED HOTELS

- **Thon Hotel EU******

Rue de la loi 75

1040 Brussels

[Walking distance to CFE Forum & Meetings venue: 9 minutes](#)

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- **Sofitel Brussels Europe Hotel *******

Place Jourdan, 1

1040 Brussels

[Walking distance to CFE Forum & Meetings venue: 15 minutes](#)

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→ **Deadline for booking: 21 March 2026**

We are very much looking forward to receiving your registration and to seeing you in April!

With our best regards,

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03 **OECD** | February, 2026 **Women in research: Progress in education, persistent gaps in careers**

Women now make up a majority of master's and doctoral graduates across OECD countries, yet despite substantial policy efforts, OECD analysis shows persistent gaps between men and women in research career pathways, employment conditions and international mobility. Our blog takes a look.

[Read the Blog >>>](#)

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04 **OECD** | February, 2026 **OECD Going Digital Integrated Policy Framework 2026**

The Going Digital Integrated Policy Framework supports governments and stakeholders in shaping an inclusive digital future through seven interrelated policy dimensions. The 2026 update reflects the latest OECD expertise.

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05 **OECD** | February, 2026 **The OECD Start-ups Database**

This paper introduces the OECD Start-ups Database, a new global micro-level dataset tracking nearly 4.5 million start-ups founded between 2000 and 2025. Integrating proprietary and public sources, it offers a rich and standardised view of entrepreneurial activity worldwide.

[Read the Paper >>>](#)

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06 **OECD** | February, 2026 **OECD insights on productivity**

These country notes present new findings on the firm-level patterns driving labour productivity in six countries using OECD MultiProd indicators based on firm-level microdata: Finland, France, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain and the United Kingdom.

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07 **OECD** | Event Information | March 30 - April 1, 2026 **AI in work, innovation, productivity and skills**

The 5th OECD international conference on AI in Work, Innovation, Productivity and Skills (AI-WIPS) will take place online from 30 March to 1 April. From the rise of agentic AI to the governance of algorithmic management, we will discuss AI's impact on productivity, competition and innovation as well as its potential to support neurodivergent learners, among many other topics.

[Register Here>>>](#)

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08 **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** | ADB Update | March 5, 2026 **New Green Bond to Raise Awareness of Glacier Melt**

Glaciers support water security for nearly 2 billion people across Asia, but rapid glacier retreat due to rising temperatures is reshaping river flows, increasing flood risks and threatening livelihoods.

Our new green bond aims to raise awareness of accelerating glacier melt across South, Central, and West Asia. Arranged by BNP Paribas and Morgan Stanley, the \$100 million issuance will support initiatives that help vulnerable communities build resilience amid changing ecosystems.

The financing aligns with our broader efforts to integrate glacier monitoring, risk assessment, resilient infrastructure, and water governance into national strategies. (... ...)

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09 **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** | ADB Update | March 5, 2026 OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT | Mission to Central and West Asia **ADB President Launches New Partnership Strategy to Boost Jobs and Growth in Tajikistan**

ADB President Kanda visited Tajikistan from 3 to 5 March to launch a new Country Partnership Strategy, which aims to support resilient infrastructure, enhance competitiveness, and expand access to inclusive social services.

He met the country's President, Emomali Rahmon, to reaffirm ADB's commitment to helping the government achieve resilient, diversified, and inclusive growth. The two leaders highlighted the importance of private sector development in building a resilient economy, creating employment, and driving innovation.

Read the [news release](#) and watch the President's [recap video](#).

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