The 15th Annual Tax Planning Strategies – U.S. and Europe Conference will focus on important recent developments affecting global companies. The EU Commission investigations into whether certain countries have engaged in practices that constitute State Aid will be examined and the implications and risks for global companies will be reviewed. Another panel will take an in-depth look at corporate inversions of U.S. corporations and the new Treasury rules that make inversions potentially more difficult and costly. Transparency continues to be a goal of the G-20 and the OECD and new agreements have been signed concerning exchange of information. In addition to the latest exchange of information developments and a FATCA update, a panel will consider important issues surrounding automatic exchange of information that will likely become reality in the near future. Transparency is also on the mind of tax authorities as they grapple with tax examinations of global companies. To that end, panelists will review BEPS Action 13, which will require country-by-country reporting, and what global corporations should be doing to prepare.

Designed for international tax professionals from industry and private practice, other sessions will cover:

- New non-bank financing techniques, including peer lending
- Cross-border funds developments
- A review of the latest BEPS discussion drafts in light of the EU freedoms with a focus on treaty issues
- Hybrid arrangements – Will they be eliminated under BEPS?
- Ethics for corporations, focusing on risk management

Panelists will include industry leaders, senior government officials, and leading tax practitioners from the United States and Europe.

As in past years, the Conference will be supplemented by a half-day Private Wealth Management Workshop and a Corporate Tax Executives Workshop on Wednesday, 15 April.

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