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\*Source: http://yaleglobal.yale.edu/content/global-economic-order-crumbles

# **Conference at-a-glance**

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	FICPA International Tax Conference Co-Chair and	
	Shawn Wolf, Esq.	
	Florida Bar Tax Section International Tax Conference Co-Chair	
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	Larry Kemm, Esq.	
	Sharp Kemm P.A. / Tampa, San Francisco and Zurich, Switzerland This session will provide a comprehensive overview of all key statutory, regulatory, administrative, judicial and related authorities' changes that have occurred during the past 12 months, as well as a segment dealing with relevant foreign law developments.	
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#### 11:00-11:50 a.m.

#### An Overview of the Various Pitfalls of Trusts and "Domestic" LLCs in International Tax Planning

Steven L. Cantor, Esq. Partner / Cantor & Webb P.A. / Miami and

#### Hal J. Webb, Esq.

Partner / Cantor & Webb P.A. / Miami

This presentation will discuss various issues relating to trusts, foundations, "domestic" LLCs and similar entities used in international tax and estate planning structures, including: (1) entity classification issues for trusts, foundations and similar entities (e.g., ordinary trusts, business trusts, investment trusts); (2) when a trust can be classified as a business association (including issues relating to a trust owning a single member LLC); and (3) "domestic" LLC classification problems and planning considerations in other jurisdictions, such as Canada and various jurisdictions in Europe and Latin America.

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	Lee Sheppard	
	Contributing Editor / Tax Notes / Washington D.C.	
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#### p.m. FATCA – A Small Step for the United States, a Giant Leap (Forward?) for Mankind

*Ozzie A. Schindler, Esq.* Shareholder / Greenberg Traurig, P.A. / Miami and

#### Carl A. Fornaris, Esq.

#### Shareholder / Greenberg Traurig, P.A. / Miami

While the impact of FATCA on the United States financial industry and taxpayers has been minimal, the non-U.S. financial industry has been scrambling to understand and implement FATCA. FATCA is now evolving in the direction of an intergovernmental approach in an effort to bring other countries onboard to facilitate international tax compliance. This presentation will cover the evolution of FATCA and other withholding and reporting developments, and their impact not only on non-U.S. persons, but more importantly, on the U.S. financial industry and markets.

## Thursday continued

#### 2:10-3:00 p.m.

#### The Nuts and Bolts of Complying with and Implementing FATCA Alfredo Tamayo, Esq. Associate / Packman, Neuwahl & Rosenberg / Coral Gables

#### and *Toby Lawrence, CPA*

#### Partner – Financial Institutions Consulting Services CliftonLarsonAllen LLP / Cedar Rapids, IA

In this presentation, we will provide the participants with information on the highlights of the legislation, including a list of the specific information that needs to be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. We also will provide insight into how foreign financial institutions can obtain this information from their customers, while discussing where the law applies and the ramifications for a non-complying institution. You will be provided with best practices and implementation tricks learned from institutions that have elected to adopt early and/or take the steps to be compliant, providing insight into the pitfalls for institutions looking to comply with FACTA.

#### 3:20-4:10 p.m. China: Challenges and Opportunities for U.S. Tax Professionals George Qin, CPA

#### Partner / MaloneBailey, LLP / Houston, TX

As China becomes the number two economic power of the world, we also notice the presence of Chinese business people and Chinese companies in the U.S. As they open U.S. subsidiaries, purchase U.S. companies, set up manufacturing facilities and immigrate to the U.S., many opportunities open up for U.S. tax professionals. In the meantime, more and more mid-size and small U.S. companies are starting to do business in China, setting up wholly owned subsidiaries, representative offices and selling products and services.

This presentation focuses on the legal, tax and culture differences between China and the U.S., and exploits the opportunities for American tax professionals to help Chinese companies doing business in the U.S. and vice versa.

#### 4:10-5:00 p.m. An Overview of Mayo and Home Concrete, and a Practical Discussion of How These Cases May Impact International Tax Planning

#### Samuel C. Ullman, Esq.

Partner / Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod LLP / Miami and

#### Robert Chaves, Esq.

#### Shareholder / Gutter Chaves Josepher Rubin Forman Fleisher, P.A. Boca Raton

This presentation will consider the Mayo and Home Concrete cases, and how the decisions therein may impact the practitioner when considering the IRS' regulation and sub-regulation administrative authorities.

#### 5:00-6:30 p.m. Cocktail Reception

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# Friday Jan. 11

#### 8:00-8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

#### 8:30-9:20 a.m. Current Developments in International Taxation – Inbound Update William M. Sharp, Esq.

Sharp Kemm P.A. / Tampa, San Francisco and Zurich, Switzerland This session will provide a comprehensive overview of all key statutory, regulatory, administrative, judicial and related authorities' changes that have occurred during the past 12 months, as well as a segment dealing with relevant portions of foreign law developments and an update of the ongoing IRS/DOJ's efforts in combating global tax noncompliance and bank secrecy.

#### 9.20-10:10 a.m. Application of the Economic Substance Doctrines – Are We Free to Structure Businesses and Investments in a Manner Most Advantageous to Our Clients? *Robert F. Hudson, Jr. Esg.*

Partner / Baker & McKenzie LLP / Miami We will hold a practical discussion of applying the Economic Substance Doctrines, and how these rules impact structuring businesses and investments in the international context.

#### 10:25-11:15 a.m. Selling From Abroad Into the United States: Challenges and Opportunities

#### Seth J. Entin, Esq.

Shareholder / Greenberg Traurig, P.A. / Miami In the case of a foreign "brick and mortar" or e-commerce sales operation, difficult U.S. federal income tax issues arise where sales are made to U.S. customers or through sales activities in the United States. This presentation will navigate the relevant rules and provide guidance for avoiding pitfalls and achieving tax-efficient results.

#### 11:15 a.m.-12:55 p.m. Panel on Miscellaneous Civil and Criminal Procedural Issues

Robert E. Panoff, Esq. – Panel Moderator

Tax Litigator / Miami and

#### Select IRS and law enforcement speakers

This panel continues its tradition of providing up-to-the-minute information regarding civil and criminal international tax procedural issues affecting everyday tax practitioners and their clients. Greater emphasis will be on taxpayers within the jurisdiction of the Small Business Self Employed operating division, but the panel also will discuss issues affecting taxpayers within the (newly renamed) Large Business and International Operating division of the IRS.

12:55-1:30 p.m. Lunch

## Friday continued

#### 1:30-2:20 p.m.

#### Ethical Issues Confronting Practitioners When Dealing With Clients From Countries in Turmoil

#### Lawrence J. Chastang, CPA

Managing Partner of International Services CliftonLarsonAllen LLP / Orlando and

#### Leslie Share, Esq.

Shareholder / Packman, Neuwahl & Rosenberg P.A. / Coral Gables International tax practitioners commonly deal with actual and potential U.S. tax and compliance issues for current and prospective clients from countries with political and social unrest. Many U.S. and foreign individuals and entities maintain financial and business connections to those jurisdictions. This presentation will review and consider the ethical dilemmas commonly raised in these types of situations from both the attorney's and accountant's perspectives and will provide practical suggestions on how to handle them.

#### 2:40-3:30 p.m. Tax Efficient Repatriation of Profits to and from the United States

#### Jeffrey L. Rubinger, Esq. / Partner / Bilzin Sumberg / Miami

The presentation will focus on tax-efficient repatriation strategies from both an inbound and outbound U.S. federal income tax perspective. In particular, the presentation will discuss opportunities to repatriate cash to the United States from offshore jurisdictions at a minimal U.S. (and foreign) tax cost, as well as opportunities to repatriate cash out of the United States without triggering U.S. withholding tax. The presentation will also cover IRS initiatives designed to prevent the use of certain cross-border repatriation strategies perceived to be abusive.

#### 3:30-4:20 p.m. A Practical Approach to Navigating Through International Disclosures

*Renea M. Glendinning, CPA* Shareholder / Kerkering, Barberio & Co. / Sarasota and *Arthur J. Dichter, Esg.* 

#### Partner / Cantor & Webb P.A. / Miami

This presentation will include practical tips for wading through the myriad of disclosures required for the international client, including Forms 8938, 5471, 8621, 8891 and TD F 90-22.1.

Thursday Night's Welcome Reception hosted by

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Coursebook is also available for purchase. Cost: \$60 plus tax. To purchase the hardcopy coursebook, contact The Florida Bar Order Entry Department at (800) 342-8060, Ext. 5831.

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## **Conference Site and Accommodations**

#### JW Marriott Miami

1109 Brickell Avenue Miami, Florida 33131 (305) 374-1224

#### FICPA Room Rate: \$279 single/double Hotel Cutoff Deadline: Thursday, Dec. 20, 2012

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Please call the JW Marriott Miami at (800) 228-9290 or (800) 503-0598 to reserve your room. Be sure to mention the FICPA/Florida Bar International Tax Conference to receive the special group rate.

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Mail a completed registration form to: Continuing Professional Education, FICPA, P.O. Box 5437, Tallahassee, FL 32314-5437.

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Early Bird Price*	\$510
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FICPA WEB CAST	Price
Early Bird Price – Both Days	\$610
Regular Price – Both Days (as of 01/01/2013)	\$665

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