

REPUBLIKA E KOSOVÉS « REPUBLIKA KOSOVA » REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO QEVERIA E KOSOVĖS - VLADA. KOSOVA - GOVERNMENT OF KOSOVO MENISTRIA E EKONOMISĖ DHE FINANCAVE - MINISTARSTVO ZA PRIVREDU I FINANSLIE - MINISTRY OF FUNDMY AND FINANCE. ADMINISTRATA TATIMORE E KOSOVÉS - PORESKA ADMINISTRACIJA KOSOVA - TAX ADMINISTRATION OF KOSOVO

> Joint Declaration from Multi-Lateral Meeting of Balkan Tax Administrations Prishtina, Kosovo 23 January 2009

Participating Tax Administrations:

Albania

Bulgaria Kosovo

Macedonia

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Tax Administration of Kosovo hosted a multi-lateral meeting of Balkan Tax Administrations on Thursday. 22 January 2009 and Friday, 23 January 2009. The purpose of the meeting was to explore areas for increased cooperation between neighboring countries in tax administration issues.

Officials of the tax administrations of Albania, Bulgaria, Kosovo, Macedonia, and Turkey have discussed a wide range of issues in which increased cooperation would be mutually-beneficial. The primary areas of cooperation discussed were bi-lateral treaties for the prevention of double taxation and fiscal evasion. increased ability to exchange information and experiences between the participating countries, and exchanges of experience in implementing and administering fiscal cash registers.

Declaration

We, the representing officials of the participating tax administrations, in recognition that the issues we face in our respective tax administrations are common to many tax administrations and that the exchange of experiences between tax administrations allows us to benefit from the experience of others, have agreed:

- 1. To continue to explore mutual areas of concern and exchange experiences to increase our effectiveness as modern tax administrations
- 2. To endeavor to increase the exchange of tax information related to international transactions in order to improve our respective compliance programs and decrease fiscal evasion through cross-border economic activity
- 3. To provide further information on the efforts of our respective tax administrations to implement fiscal cash registers or administer compliance programs through information obtained from fiscal cash registers
- As bi-lateral treaties for the prevention of double taxation and fiscal evasion are concluded between the participating countries to assist our respective treaty partners in their effective implementation and administration

Signed this 23rd Day of January in Prishtina, Kosovo.