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## Taxand Energy Seminar Programme

14 October 2011  
Mint Hotel  
Amsterdam  
The Netherlands

08.30	:	09.00	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>
09.00	:	09.10	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Jimmie van der Zwaan (Netherlands)</i>
09.10	:	09.40	<b>Keynote: Demand &amp; Supply, Oil &amp; Gas in Changing Times</b> <i>Mw. L.C. van Geuns – Clingendael, Netherlands Institute of International Relations, Deputy Head Clingendael International Energy Programme</i>
09.40	:	10.55	<b>Taxand Panel: Your Tax Position in Changing Times</b> <i>Gokul Chaudhri (India), Horacio de Uriarte Flores (Mexico), Jimmie van der Zwaan (Netherlands), Andrey Nikonov (Russia)</i>  <i>In this panel discussion you will benefit from insight into the latest tax trends affecting the globalisation of the energy sector, understand the impact tax planning has on the tender process in the oil and gas industry and discover recent case studies focussing on challenging projects and public private partnerships to illustrate how business are moving with these changing times.</i>
10.55	:	11.25	Coffee
11.25	:	12.25	<b>Taxand Panel: Overseas Presence and Enhanced Risks</b> <i>David Chaumontet (France), Wietje de Muinck Keizer (Netherlands), Bengt Lie Hansen (Norway), Daniel Barton (UK)</i>  <i>Having overseas business presence and employees brings risks. These risks need to be managed effectively. In this panel discussion you will discover which countries are key to your investments in the oil and gas sector. We will assess the tax impact of the UK Bribery Act, provide insight into foreign branch liabilities and key employee considerations to protect the interest of your business.</i>
12.25	:	14.00	Lunch
14.00	:	onwards	<b>Bespoke Client Meetings</b> <i>Among others France, India, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Russia, UK and USA</i>



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### Lucia van Geuns

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Lucia joined the Clingendael International Energy Programme (CIEP) in 2003 after a career with Royal Dutch Shell (1980- 2002). She has a strong background in all aspects of exploration and production of oil and gas. She studied Earth Sciences at Leiden University and focuses her research on the global oil industry, Asian security of supply issues and innovative technology. She co-ordinates the research theme 'Towards a low-carbon energy sector' focusing on transition issues. Lucia is member of the board of the World Energy Council Netherlands (WEC NL) and member of the Earth and Lifesciences Council (RAL) of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW).

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David is based in Taxand France and was part of the team that built Arsene Taxand in January 2004. He was promoted as partner in January 2003. David has also worked as a tax advisor at Arthur Andersen and Ernst & Young. Currently, David is focused on merger and acquisition transactions. He has run and participated in numerous tax consulting assignments for corporate and private equity clients. David works mainly in the following fields: Due diligence works with respect to acquisition of multinational companies for private equity investors, and for multinational groups; assistance in cross border merger and acquisition transactions; French operations, ranging from advice concerning the structure of the initial investment to the possible divestment; day to day assistance on specific tax issues to French and international groups in the energy sector.

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Gokul is based in Taxand India where he is a partner at BMR Advisors, India's leading independent firm of tax advisors, and is situated in New Delhi, India. He leads the firm's energy and infrastructure industry practice. He has more than 15 years of work experience – 12 of those at Arthur Andersen, and thereafter at one of the Big 4 firms as tax partner, leading its energy, chemicals and mining industry practice. Gokul Chaudhri has considerable experience advising domestic and international energy clients, vertically integrated energy giants and aviation groups. He is an acknowledged expert in the areas of upstream, mid-stream and oilfield services taxation in general, and more specifically in the taxation of farm-out transactions, engineering, procurement and construction arrangements, renewables and natural gas/LNG contracting.



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Horacio is based in Taxand Mexico and is part of Mijares Mijares, Angoitia, Cortés y Fuentes. Horacio has broad experience in the oil and gas sector. He represented TransCanada PipeLines Limited in the sale of its assets in Mexico to Gaz de France. In energy matters, he advised the consortium formed by TransCanada PipeLines Limited, InterGen, and Gutsa Construcciones in legal aspects related to the development, construction, and operation of the 700 Km. Mayakan pipeline, which is the longest privately-owned natural gas pipeline in Mexico; advised in all legal aspects related to the construction, operation, and development of the 200 Km. pipeline. Regarding the acquisition of both pipelines, Horacio advises Gaz de France in all legal aspects related to the operation of the pipelines.

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Wietje read law and completed her degree in Dutch Civil Law at Erasmus University of Rotterdam, the Netherlands. Wietje graduated in 1990 after which she conducted her first practice in The Hague. From 2000 onwards she focused mainly on employment law. Wietje joined VMW Taxand as a partner in 2004. Wietje advises national and international companies in the up and down stream industry and the contractors in the energy sector and litigates on Dutch employment and labour law issues, in particular, employment agreements, employment manuals, (collective) termination(s) of employment, (international) postings, employee consultation procedures, (collective bargaining) agreements, confidentiality and non-compete covenants, transfer of undertaking (tupe), employee benefit schemes, stock (option) schemes, commission contracts; directors, management and agency agreements, pension schemes, privacy and data protection, equal treatment.

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Jimmie is based in Taxand Netherlands where he is a partner with VMW Taxand. Jimmie leads the VMW Taxand Energy Team, covering oil & gas, electricity, alternative resources / renewables, and suppliers & contractors. Jimmie has a strong interest in the field of energy. He joined VMW Taxand in 1997 as tax lawyer in the domestic and international tax practice. In 1998 he qualified as an attorney at law and became a member of the Dutch Bar association. Jimmie specialises primarily in corporate tax issues in the energy sector. He is called upon to assist with domestic and international mergers and acquisitions, and to advise on setting up new business, both by foreign companies in the Netherlands and by Dutch companies expanding abroad.



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Bengt works primarily with business legal advice to the oil, gas and offshore industries. Bengt Lie Hansen has 35 years of experience in the oil and gas industry working with the Ministry of Petroleum and Energy, the German Oil Company Deminex, Norsk Hydro and Statoil. He has worked with national oil policies, fiscal regimes, exploration, strategy, concession applications, asset management, portfolio transactions, farm ins, acquisitions and mergers, petroleum tax, sale and transport of natural gas as Senior Vice President. He has been Project Director for the Ormen Lange gas development and President Hydro Russia and President

Statoil Russia. Lie Hansen has participated in many international negotiations, and negotiated Statoils access to the Russian Shtokman Field.

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Andrey is based in Taxand Russia where he is a partner with Pepeliaev Group. Andrey specialises in tax law, and has experience advising major Russian and foreign companies on calculation and payment of taxes. He provides advice on a broad range of taxation issues, particularly those relating to profit tax, VAT, severance tax and the Unified Social Tax. Andrey has provided legal support for projects involving the conclusion and fulfilment of product-sharing agreements, M&A transactions involving transnational companies, and major investments. Andrey also has extensive experience handling tax disputes in court and energy sector.

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