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**EU CUSTOMS AND
TAX TRAINING**

Welcome to the
**Common Learning Event
Programme (CLEP) &
EU Training Webinars**

*Taxation and
Customs Union*

Delivering inspired learning experiences

The European Commission supports national tax and customs administrations with competency-based development and training of staff. Learning and development solutions are tailored to meet the specific requirements of customs and tax professionals who are required to adapt to changing circumstances rapidly.

Collaboration is key. TAXUD's CLEP events and EU Training Webinars are inspired to support continuous and sustainable progress through country-specific training and cross-country expertise-building initiatives.

Learning and development sessions organised under the Common Learning Event Programme (CLEP) are designed to enable national administrations and staff to exchange training, expertise and best practices.

These training events help to align levels of skills and knowledge of customs and tax professionals in the EU.

EU Training Webinars turn presentations into conversations. These are opportunities for experts to answer questions from customs and tax professionals.

This web-based training solution can reach a wide audience effectively and efficiently. It's easily combined with in-person training for blended learning.



Audience

- Customs and tax subject matter experts (National Administrations)
- Trainers
- Experts with teaching expertise



Topics

- Critical skills and knowledge in key customs and tax areas (e.g. bus/car search, X-ray image analysis, sniffer dogs)
- Training techniques in customs and tax (e.g. train the trainers)
- Subjects that lack coverage at national level



Benefits

Expert collaboration

- Build common expertise (e.g. training techniques, methodologies, concepts and materials).
- Provide opportunities to improve professional skills.
- Bring together the expertise of customs and tax professionals.

Learner-centred innovation

Foster and transfer knowledge and skills acquired in customs and tax at the national level by creating a competitive advantage throughout Europe and optimising training resources at EU level.

Modernise the EU training offer by providing a new type of experience sharing and knowledge development – even with limited time available and financial constraints.

Value creation

CLEP: Widens the training offer by establishing and promoting best practices and standards, and increasing visibility and recognition to the providers.

EU Training Webinar: Complements currently available initiatives (e.g. CLEP, eLearning, Competency Building training, country-specific or EU workshops) by combining easily with in-person training for blended learning.

How it's done

EU Training Webinars and CLEP events are organised by the European Commission's Directorate General Taxation and Customs Union or National Administrations. Content is tailored to reach and communicate with specific audiences, including customs and tax subject matter experts, trainers and experts with teaching experience.

Format and duration

Hosted exclusively online, EU Training Webinars are live and engaging events in which hosts can share videos, documents, chats and screens in real-time. Each Webinar is approximately 2 hours in length.

CLEP events can also be held online, but these training events are mainly organised face-to-face and usually run one or more days.

Support implementation

Steered by DG TAXUD, CLEP events and EU Training Webinars are organised together with the Training Support Group. National Administrations can host events based on an already existing training or design a new course specifically for a CLEP.

DG TAXUD manages the annual programme and facilitates the implementation by providing the support tools such as guidelines, presentation templates, opportunities to collaborate with moderators and promotional and follow-up activities.

Planning

Several steps are involved in the organisation of CLEP events and EU Training Webinars:



Setting up a team (expert, trainer, TSG representative, National Coordinator).



Selecting the topic.



Choosing the most appropriate methodology (CLEP, webinar, blended learning).



Submitting training proposal to DG TAXUD for approval.



DG TAXUD provides support at all stages of the preparation.

Want to find out more?

Check out the new EU Learning Portal: <https://customs-taxation.learning.europa.eu/>

Contact TAXUD for information about CLEP events and Webinars: TAXUD-PROGRAMME-TRAINING@ec.europa.eu

Contact your Training Support Group representative: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/pics/group/655/members>

Learn more about EU customs and taxation training: http://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/eu-training_en