

VAT in the Digital Age (ViDA)

Single VAT Registration in EU

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Background and problems addressed

• VAT e-commerce package – 1 July 2021

> Success of the reform recognised by stakeholders and by the Council

✓ Objectives of fair taxation and simplification achieved

Evaluation highlighted the need for quick fixes and improvements of the current functioning of the schemes

• Increasing scale of e-commerce and cross-border transactions

> High burdens and VAT compliance costs of doing business abroad

Need to further reduce the need to register in multiple Member States



Quick fixes and improvements of the current VAT e-commerce rules



Quick fixes and improvements of the current schemes (1)

- > Improvements to the legislation:
 - ✓ Clarification on the calculation of the € 10.000 threshold
 - Clarification in the definition of the scope of the non-union scheme (also applies to services provided to non-established customers)
 - Clarification on the timing of the chargeable event for supplies under the Union and the non-Union schemes
 - ✓ Update of the references to the appropriate refund procedures in the Union and Import schemes
- > Improvements to the processes:
 - ✓ Improvement to the correction mechanism
 - ✓ Use of the Standard Audit File (SAF) OSS for records by platforms under Art 242a



Quick fixes and improvements of the current schemes (2)

> Build a more robust and fraud proof system:

- ✓ Access to IOSS registration data for customs authorities
- ✓ List of underlying suppliers added to the records provided by platforms
- ✓ IOSS monthly listing by MS of final destination of the goods
- ✓ IOSS additional information to be provided prior to importation
- > Align to new legislation and schemes:
 - Linked to the new SME scheme and exemptions under diplomatic/consular arrangements and to the new rules on VAT rates:
 - \Rightarrow Allow the declaration of exempted and zero rated supplies in the Union OSS



Further reduce the need for multiple VAT registrations



Further reduce the need for multiple VAT registrations (1)

►B2C transactions:

- ✓ Extension of OSS to B2C domestic supplies of goods:
 - Includes: Supplies after installation and assembly; Supplies of goods made on board means of transport; Supplies of gas, electricity, heat or cooling energy; Supplies of goods on a weekly market, when participating in an exhibition....
- Extension of OSS to sales of goods under the margin scheme following the change of place of supply (application of the destination principle)

►B2B transactions:

✓ Domestic B2B supplies: Mandatory application by Member States of the reverse charge mechanism in situations where a supplier is not established for VAT purposes in the Member State in which VAT is due



Further reduce the need for multiple VAT registrations (2)

Transfer of own goods:

- ✓ Extension of the deemed supplier provision:
 - ⇒Platforms = deemed supplier when transferring goods from one stock to another and when facilitating B2B supplies of goods in the EU and all intra-EU distance sales of goods by EU established traders
- ✓ New OSS transfer module for the declaration of these transfers by all traders transferring their own goods within the EU

 \Rightarrow Exclusion of transfers of capital goods and goods without full right of deduction

≻Mandatory IOSS :

- ✓ **IOSS mandatory for electronic interfaces**, such as marketplaces and platforms, when they facilitate certain imports of goods to consumers in the Union
 - \Rightarrow Registration and exclusion data and processes reviewed



Thank you



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