



# EU VAT

## Expert degree (2026 -2027)

Starting April 2026!!!

There is an increasing demand for well-trained VAT specialists to fill the positions of VAT managers or VAT directors in multinational companies. Their task mainly consists of co-ordinating VAT questions at European level, and answering those questions where possible.

Because there is no appropriate degree programme available at European universities,

the management team of VAT Forum CV decided to meet this need themselves and so they organised the Expert in European VAT degree for the first time in 2004. Due to its success it is still organized. VAT Forum runs a biennial programme that can lead to an 'Expert in European VAT' degree after completing 210 course hours and passing the necessary exams beginning of September 2027. To date, 81 participants have obtained the 'EU VAT Expert' certificate.

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### The course consists of the following main modules:

- Directive 2006/112/EC module (60 hours)
- ECJ court cases module (30 hours)
- "Doing business in..." module (60 hours)
- Topics module (60 hours)

# FULL PROGRAMME

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## Directive 2006/112/EC module

(60 hours)

Part 1: Monday 20 April to Friday 24 April 2026.

Venue: France: Château de la Motte, 2 La Motte, 86230 Usseau

Part 2: Monday 22 June to Friday 26 June 2026.

Venue: France: Château de la Motte, 2 La Motte, 86230 Usseau

Over 10 days, the different provisions of Directive 2006/112/EC will be analysed in depth together with the Implementing Regulation 282/2011. Where appropriate, an analysis will be made of which member states have made use of the more than 200 options left open in the Directive, starting with

“member states may”.

The aim is for the participants to base their reasoning on the provisions of the European Directive when analysing VAT cases and then to apply national legislation (with its derogations).

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## ECJ court cases module

(30 hours)

Monday 21 September to Friday 25 September 2026.

Venue: Spain/Tenerife, to be confirmed.

Over 5 days, a selection of ECJ court cases will be analysed and their practical impact will be discussed. The outcome of ECJ court cases is often disregarded, not used, or used inappropriately.

The aim is for the participants to be independently able to interpret the conclusion of a decision of the European Court correctly.

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## “Doing business in...” module

(60 hours)

Part 1: Monday 26 Oktober to Friday 30 Oktober 2026.

Venue: Spain/Tenerife, to be confirmed:

Part 2: Monday 22 February to Friday 26 February 2027.

Venue: Spain/Barcelona, to be confirmed

Over 10 days, VAT experts from different EU countries will come and explain how Directive 2006/112/EC has been implemented in their national VAT legislation. One entire day will be

spent explaining derogations and other special rules. The following countries will be dealt with: France, Germany, Italy, Spain, the Netherlands, Ireland, Poland, Portugal, Belgium and UK.

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## Topics module

(60 hours)

Part 1 : Monday 26 April to Friday 30 April 2027.

Venue: France: Château de la Motte, 2 La Motte, 86230 Usseau

Part 2 : Monday 21 June to Friday 25 June 2027.

Venue: France: Château de la Motte, 2 La Motte, 86230 Usseau.

10 different VAT topics will be dealt with over an entire day. The aim is for participants to learn to apply the knowledge they have gathered throughout the course when analysing specific cases.

The topics are: chain transactions, recharging of services, assembly and supplies with installation, liability to pay the VAT, use and enjoyment rules, financial services, transport services and VAT, E-commerce, im- & export and fixed establishments.

# REGISTRATION OPTIONS

## **1 full registration for one person, including exams.**

Registration fee\* for the 'Expert in European VAT': 7.750 euros for members / 8.500 euros for non-members.

The registration fee covers the participation fees for all sessions, exam fees and administrative support, copies of the slides used and occasional texts and lunches.

Registration deadline:  
**31 March 2026**

## **Registrations for individual modules/ days**

### **Directive 2006/112/EC module**

(Monday 20 April to Friday 24 April 2026 and Monday 22 June to Friday 26 June 2026)

Registration fee\*: 2500 € for members of VAT Forum and 3250 € for non-members.

The registration fee covers the participation fees, administrative support, copies of the slides used, occasional texts and lunches.

### **EC court cases module**

(Monday 21 September to Friday 25 September 2026.)

Registration fee\*: 1500 € for members of VAT Forum and 2000 € for non-members.

The registration fee covers the participation fees, administrative support, copies of the slides used and occasional texts and lunches.

### **Each “doing business in...” module**

(Monday 26 Oktober to Friday 30 Oktober 2026 and Monday 22 February to Friday 26 February 2027)

Registration fee\*: 350 € for members of VAT Forum and 500 € for non-members per day. The registration fee covers the participation fees for one session, administrative support, photocopies of the slides used, any texts used that day and lunch.

### **Each “topic”**

(Monday 26 April to Friday 30 April 2027 and Monday 21 June to Friday 25 June 2027)

Registration fee\*: 350 € for members of VAT Forum and 500 € for non-members per day. The registration fee covers the participation fees for one session, administrative support, photocopies of the slides used, any texts used that day and lunch.

# REGISTRATION

Send the registration form to

Or e-mail

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Name of participant:

Company

E-mail address

VAT number

Phone number

Address

Country

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I'm a member of VAT Forum

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I will become a member of VAT  
Forum€ 1.000 per year

## **I wish to register for the following module(s) / full course EU VAT Expert:**

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Full registration for one person.

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Registration for Directive 2006/112/EC module

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Registration for ECJ court cases.

## **I wish to receive more information about**

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Doing business in ...

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Topics.

Signature + Date

All prices are exclusive of VAT



# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Château de la Motte – 86230 Usseau - France  
[www.pi-castle.com](http://www.pi-castle.com)

## Lodging (incl. breakfast and dinner)

### there are various possibilities:

5 rooms inside the Château de la Motte, at 155 euro per night (including breakfast and dinner),

6 rooms at 135 euro per night in the gîtes in the orangery beside Château de la Motte (including breakfast and dinner), You are also welcome to choose any other hotel in Châtellerault.

Please contact Patrick Wille ([patrick.wille@vatforum.com](mailto:patrick.wille@vatforum.com)) for your room reservation at Château de la Motte.

Prices do not include VAT or tourist tax. Breakfast is included as well as a 3-course dinner.

## Getting there by air:

- flights from anywhere in the world to the main airport in Paris, Charles de Gaulle, then onward by high speed train;
- to Poitiers airport from London Stansted in the UK;
- flights to La Rochelle, Tours, Nantes or Limoges by various low-cost airlines throughout Europe, then onward by rental car.

## by high-speed train:

- to Poitiers train station from Paris Montparnasse (direct) in less than 2 hours;
- to Poitiers train station from Paris Charles de Gaulle airport (direct) in 2 hours;
- to Châtellerault train station by ordinary train.

## by car:

- from Paris: A10 to Bordeaux, exit Châtellerault-Nord, then follow for Usseau
- from Bordeaux: A10 to Paris, exit Châtellerault-Nord, then follow for Usseau

There is a free pick-up in a shuttle bus from Châtellerault train station, Poitiers train station or Poitiers airport.

If you have any questions or requests, do not hesitate at all to contact us on +32 475 794574 (Patrick Wille), +31 356940126 (Marja van den Oetelaar) or send an e-mail to [patrick.wille@vatforum.com](mailto:patrick.wille@vatforum.com)

