Netherlands IFA branch
(Nederlandse Vereniging voor internationaal belastingrecht)

Annual activities report for 2013

Meetings

- On 27 February 2013 there was a joint meeting of the Netherlands and US branches of IFA held in New York.
- On 16 and 17 May 2013 there was a trilateral event organised by the Netherlands, Irish and UK branch that took place in London.
- On 7 June 2013 the Netherlands YIN branch organised a seminar, also accessible for regular IFA members on China (particularly on the new tax treaty between China and The Netherlands).
- On 9 October 2013 the Netherlands branch held its annual meeting at the IBFD offices. During this meeting Machiel Lambooij became chair of the branch, replacing Stef van Weeghel, who has been appointed as chair of the Permanent Scientific Committee of Central IFA. Maikel Evers of the Netherlands YIN Committee was appointed as board member of the Netherlands branch. Going forward the Netherlands branch intends to always have one member of the YIN committee as board member of the Netherlands branch.

Two draft reports for the IFA Mumbai 2014 conference were debated:

- Subject I: Cross-border outsourcing – issues, strategies & solutions (branch reporters: Harmen van Dam, Loyens & Loeff / Pieterbas Plasman, Netherlands tax authorities)
- Subject II: Qualification of taxable entities and treaty protection (branch reporters: Jan Gooijer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam / Martin de Graaf, Ministry of Finance)

Other activities

- During the year, a new website (www.ifa-nl.org) was launched, featuring an IFA and a YIN section.
- The Netherlands IFA branch in 2013 applied for and obtained early 2014 the tax status of charitable institution, allowing it to receive and make donations free from Netherlands gift tax.
- The board of the Netherlands branch met twice and the YIN committee held regular conference calls to prepare future YIN activities.
- Machiel Lambooij, on behalf of the Netherlands branch, participated in two meetings of Central IFA’s Executive Committee.