The University of Linz in cooperation with the University of Bergamo, the University of Groningen, Heidelberg University, the Catholic University of Louvain, the University of Luxembourg and the University of Valencia invites you to the

**8th DOCTORAL SEMINAR ON INTERNATIONAL AND EU TAX LAW**

28th to 29th June 2018 — University of Linz

The seminar is open to Ph.D. candidates in the fields of international, European and comparative tax law. It follows successful events held in Bergamo, Linz, Valencia, Heidelberg and Louvain. Ph.D. candidates in their second and third year are invited to present their research projects and/or major results, depending on the level of progress.

Each presentation will be followed by feedback and discussion with a panel consisting of tax professors and leading experts from practice, including the EU institutions. In order to allow sufficient time for in-depth debates and valuable feedback, the number of presentations is strictly limited. To stimulate debate and dissemination of ideas, however, a certain number of first year Ph.D. candidates may also be accepted to participate without giving a presentation.

Interested Ph.D. candidates are encouraged to submit a one-page exposé of their proposed presentation topic. The exposé should address the following points

- The topic: What is your research question?
- The hypothesis: What are the ideas challenged/to be tested?
- The methodological framework: How are you going to answer your question(s)?
- The potential results: What is your preliminary conclusion on the hypotheses?
- The novelty: What are the points no one else has made so far (or not in this way)?
- The stage of your research: When did you start? When will your thesis be finalized?

The seminar will be held at the University of Linz. Participants must be able and willing to bear their own costs of travel and accommodation. A limited number of part-cost travel grants might be available.

Please submit your application via the google form to be found via the following link: [https://goo.gl/forms/1vpFH9dd5scsOVin1](https://goo.gl/forms/1vpFH9dd5scsOVin1) on or before 8th April 2018. Applicants should indicate if they also apply for a travel grant. All applicants will be informed by end of April if their application has been accepted.

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**Further participants** are welcome to join us for both the academic programme and the side programme.

**Venue:** University of Linz, Altenbergerstrasse 69, 4040 Linz (Austria), Managementcenter (‘Managementzentrum’), Room MZ 003A.

**Accommodation:** We have reserved a number of rooms in the hotel “Wolfinger” (http://www.hotelwolfinger.at). When booking, please refer to the room reservations made by Ms. Löffler/ University of Linz. The hotel is located right in the city center (‘Hauptplatz’). The university of Linz may be reached via tram lines 1 and 2 (direction and station of arrival: "Universität") directly from the Hauptplatz.

**Travel:** Flights to airport Linz. We suggest taking a taxi from the airport to the hotel.

**Costs:** As a rule, all participants bear their own costs. However, a limited number of part-cost travel grants might be available. Those who have applied for co-funding will be contacted separately.

**Further questions:** Please contact Mr. Christoph Finsterer (christoph.finsterer@jku.at) for any questions with regard to the organisation of this seminar and Prof. Georg Kofler (georg.kofler@jku.at) for all topic-related questions you may have.