State of Tax, Legal & People Webcast series

# Indirect Tax in a sustainable value chain

5 April 2022



#### Welcome

- Watched live, this webinar qualifies for 1 PE point
- The button '[Ask a question]' allows you to ask a live question via chat
- Any other questions via your PwC advisor or fill in the form on <u>pwc.nl</u>
- View this webcast or presentation at a later stage
- Slides will become available afterwards
- Please complete the evaluation form



- 1. Welcome and introduction
- 2. ESG-proofing current business
- 3. Rethinking the business
- 4. Wrap-up and closing



#### ESG & Sustainable Value Chain

- Environmental, Social and Governance
- Sustainable Value Chain
  - Internal motivation
  - External factors a.o. growing ESG reporting requirements, investors & client demand
  - Combination of both





# Is indirect tax involved in ESG related business decisions in your company?

A) Yes, indirect tax is involvedB) No, indirect tax is not involvedC) Unknown



#### ITX - a seat at the table

- Business & ITX partnering up at strategic level
- Sharing ITX expertise and red flags
- Optimizing plans
- Informing about future legislation
- Avoiding business disruptions



# business models tax set-up **returns** margins ERP-system G X**B** green taxes vendor & **D S** ourcing customer base procurement



# Is indirect tax involved in ESG related business decisions in your company?

A) Yes, indirect tax is involvedB) No, indirect tax is not involvedC) Unknown





- 1. Welcome and introduction
- 2. ESG-proofing current business
- 3. Rethinking the business
- 4. Wrap-up and closing



#### Tools of the Future BV - part I







- Diversified sourcing
- Sustainable packaging
  - Low carbon routes collection points DE & UK
- Alternative energy sources

#### Diversified sourcing

- 1,7% 3,7% customs duties on tools
- Tax impact of shift in sourcing
  - Free trade arrangements
  - ETS & CBAM



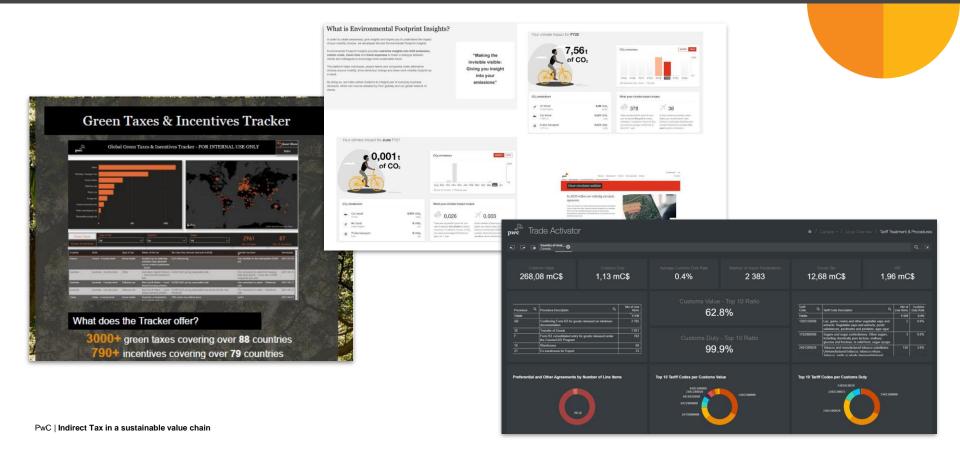
Global threats are reordering supply chains, says report

#### EU ETS price is rising

EUA (EU ETS) Futures Prices



## Tooling & data analytics



#### Sustainable packaging

- Less plastic / alternative materials
- Reporting obligations European countries
  - Import & introduction to market
- Plastic tax & levies to waste fund
  - Virgin / non-reusable plastic
  - Packaging materials

#### World leaders agree to draw up 'historic' treaty on plastic pollution

Ambitious resolution defies pushback from vested interests led by the petrochemicals industry

#### Returns and local collection points

- Low carbon routes
  - local returns
  - grouped shipments / local supplies
- Customs duties EU <> non-EU
- Additional VAT registrations and reporting obligations
- VAT treatment returns

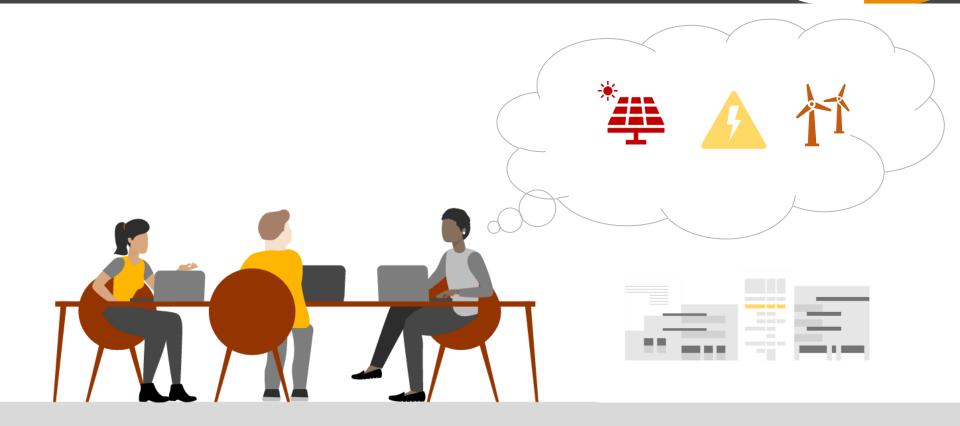


#### Returns and local collection points

- Impact on ERP-system / invoicing
  - Implementation VAT registrations
  - Tax coding supplies and returns
  - Movements of own goods
- Involving ITX timely for expertise



#### Tools of the Future BV



#### Alternative energy sources

- Different rates for clean energy and polluting energy
- Responsibility for energy taxation within your company?
- Subsidies





- 1. Welcome and introduction
- 2. ESG-proofing current business
- 3. Rethinking the business
- 4. Wrap-up and closing



#### Tools of the Future BV - part II



- Second life: buy-back & repair
- As a service
  - Waste & recycle management
  - **Export controls**

#### Second life

- Buy-back and resell
- Margin scheme
- Discounts/vouchers
- Repair flows
- Reporting/invoicing

'Right to repair' campaign forces rethink by Big Tech

It was taken for granted in Silicon Valley that consumers would always buy upgraded gadgets

#### As a service

- Rent out (subscription / rates)
- VAT treatment, place of supply
- Tax coding and invoicing
- ERP set-up
- Customs valuation



#### Waste / recycling

- Classification.
- Social responsibility.



## Carmakers shift gear on using recycled materials

Focus shifts to carbon emissions during manufacturing — before a car makes its first trip

#### What happens to your old laptop? The growing problem of e-waste

Globally, we produce 50m tonnes of toxic electronic waste every year — and the UK is one of the worst offenders

#### Countries Tried to Curb Trade in Plastic Waste. The U.S. Is Shipping More.

Data shows that American exporters continue to ship plastic waste overseas, often to poorer countries, even though most of the world has agreed to not accept it.

#### 'Waste colonialism': world grapples with west's unwanted plastic

Germany and UK are big exporters of plastic, much of which lies rotting in ports in Turkey, Vietnam and other countries

## Twenty firms produce 55% of world's plastic waste, report reveals

Plastic Waste Makers index identifies those driving climate crisis with virgin polymer production

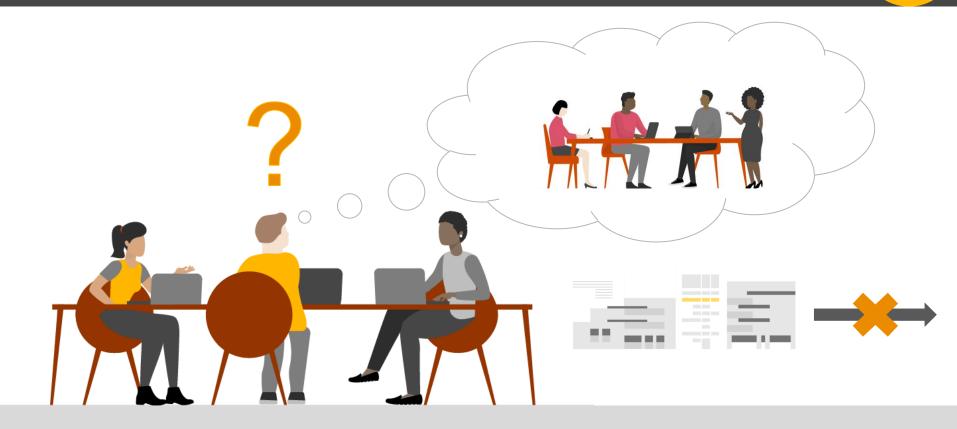
#### Plastic waste export tide turns to south-east Asia after China ban

Calls grow for recycling at home as more nations impose restrictions

## Chile's desert dumping ground for fast fashion leftovers

Chile's Atacama, the driest desert in the world, is increasingly suffering from pollution caused by fast fashion.

#### Export controls



#### Export controls

- Export control compliance framework
- Ethics
- Reputation
- KYC and KYS procedures

## Chinese apparel brands rally on support for Xinjiang cotton sourcing

Western groups including H&M and Nike face backlash after expressing concerns over forced labour in the region



- 1. Welcome and introduction
- 2. ESG-proofing current business
- 3. Rethinking the business
- 4. Wrap-up and closing



#### Three key takeaways



ESG will result in new taxes, levies and obligations and changes to value chains



ITX involvement is strategically crucial when changing a value chain



Broaden your horizon as indirect tax expert with (new) environmental taxes and levies



- View this webcast or presentation at a later stage
- Stay up to date: register for our PwC Tax Newsletter on <u>pwc.nl</u>
- 'State of Tax' webcast series continues on <u>pwc.nl/evenementen</u>
- Please fill in the evaluation form

#### Evaluation

- How would you rate this webinar on a scale from 1 to 10?
- The content was relevant. (Totally agree / Agree / Neutral / Disagree / Totally disagree)
- Do you have any suggestions and/or comments?
- Do you have specific questions and would you like us to contact you?



#### Contact



Loes van Beurden VAT specialist

T: 06 10 29 43 72 E: loes.van.beurden@pwc.com



Sander Borremans VAT and environmental taxes specialist T: 06 10 29 42 75 E: sander.borremans@pwc.com



Simon Cornielje Host / VAT specialist

T: 06 53 87 92 81 E: <u>simon.cornielje@pwc.com</u>



Matthijs van der Kemp Customs specialist

T: 06 23 92 69 35 E: <u>matthijs.van.der.kemp@pwc.com</u>





pwc

© 2022 PwC. All rights reserved. Not for further distribution without the permission of PwC. "PwC" refers to the network of member firms of PricewaterhouseCoopers International Limited (PwCIL), or, as the context requires, individual member firms of the PwC network. Each member firm is a separate legal entity and does not act as agent of PwCIL or any other member firm. PwCIL does not provide any services to clients. PwCIL is not responsible or liable for the acts or omissions of any of its member firms nor can it control the exercise of their professional judgment or bind them in any way. No member firm is responsible or liable for the acts or omissions of any of its member firm or PwCIL in any other member firm.