

Goods and Services Tax (GST) Workshop

Malaysia will introduce Goods and Services Tax (GST) on 1st April 2015 (about 1 year from now) as announced in the 2014 Budget Speech. GST is also known as Value Added Tax (VAT) in other countries. GST is to replace Sales Tax and Service Tax from the effective date. The challenge is for businesses to acquire the knowledge of GST and to get ready for GST implementation.

GST is a consumption tax in the form of value added tax for each stage of business transactions up to the retail stage of distribution. GST incurred on inputs (Input Tax) is allowed as a credit to offset against GST on outputs (Output Tax). This avoids the cascading effect. There are certain items subject to blocked input tax and thus Input Tax Credit cannot be claimed.

GST has significant impact on businesses, big and small, in terms of costs of operations, administrative works, cash flows and compliance. It can also be complex for certain industries and businesses.

GST is levied on SUPPLIES (not merely on SALES) and certain items are deemed SUPPLIES and thus subject to GST. The GST mechanism may look simple at the first glance, but there are lots of details and interpretations one must be familiar in order to prepare the GST returns properly and remit the correct GST amount to the Government within the dateline. Non-compliance of GST will attract hefty penalty.

The main objective of this one-day workshop is:

- a. to explain the concept, mechanism and the rules of GST in Malaysia
- b. to discuss the possible impact of GST in businesses and related implementation issues

Program

08.00am - 09.00am	Registration
09.00am - 10.30am	<p>Introduction to GST model in Malaysia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Why GST?- GST in operation<ul style="list-style-type: none">GST scopeTaxable PersonsSUPPLIES- Supplies not subject to GST- Place of Supply- Time of Supply- Value of Supply- Types of Supply - Standard-rated, Zero-rate & Exempt
10.30am - 11.00am	Tea break
11.00am - 12.30pm	<p>GST registration - Register early</p> <p>Payment of GST</p> <p>Taxable period</p> <p>Tax invoice - Full & Simplified</p> <p>Accounting for GST</p> <p>Records keeping</p>
12.30pm - 01.30pm	Lunch
01.30pm - 03.00pm	<p>Input Tax Credit</p> <p>Blocked Input Tax</p> <p>Apportionment rules</p> <p>De Minimis limit</p> <p>Approved Trader Scheme (ATS)</p> <p>Approved Toll Manufacturer Scheme (ATMS)</p> <p>Warehousing Scheme</p>

03.00pm - 03.30pm Tea break

03.30pm - 05.00pm GST adjustments

- Adjustments to input tax and output tax
- Credit note & Debit note adjustments
- Bad debt adjustments & Bad debt recovered

Transition period

- Repeal of Sales Tax & Service Tax
- Non-reviewable contract
- Special refund of Sales Tax

Impacts of GST - penalty, cash flows, HR training, IT etc

Questions and Answers