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NOTE

From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Code of Conduct Group (Business Taxation)
Subject: Code of Conduct Group
– Appointment of the Chair

1. The High Level Representatives of the Code of Conduct Group are informed of the appointment of a new Chair.
2. Since the two-year period for which Dr Wolfgang Nolz was appointed as Chair of the Code of Conduct Group will expire on 4 February 2017, the issue of the appointment of the future Chair was on the agenda of the meeting of the Code Group on 25 January 2017.
3. The procedure for appointment of the Chair is set out in the Council conclusions of 9 March 1998 concerning the establishment of the Code of Conduct Group (Business Taxation) (OJ C 99, 1 April 1998, p. 1), which provides in paragraph 5 that:
"... the chairman will be appointed by common accord, but [...], if necessary, the chairman shall be elected by a majority of the high-level representatives of the Group".

4. On Friday, 20 January 2017 the GSC received two applications from:
 - Ms Fabrizia Lapecorella, Director General of Finance of the Ministry of Economy and Finance (Italy)
 - Ms Dana Meager, State Secretary of the Ministry of Finance (Slovakia).

 5. At the Code of Conduct Group meeting on 25 January 2017, on the basis of the voting procedure set out by the General Secretariat, Ms Lapecorella was appointed as Chair of the Code of Conduct Group for a period of two years. The period will start on 5 February 2017, after the term of the current Chair has come to an end.

 6. The CV of Ms Lapecorella can be found in Annex.
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Fabrizia Lapecorella

Curriculum vitae

Fabrizia Lapecorella was born in Bari on 9 April 1963 and graduated in Economics and Business Studies at the University of Bari (Italy).

She obtained her Ph. D. *in economics* from the University of York (UK).

She comes from academia: she was Lecturer in *Public economics* at the University of York, and began her academic career in Italy in 1992.

In 2004, she was appointed Full Professor of Public Finance at the Department of Economics and Mathematical Methods of the University of Bari.

She has carried out research in the economic analysis of taxation, public finance, public economics, market regulation, and contract theory.

She is the author of many national and international publications and has presented the results of her research activity in conferences and workshops in Italy and abroad.

In 2002 she joined the Tax Administration as expert of the Tax Advisory and Inspective Service (SECIT) of the Ministry of Economy and Finance and worked for the Tax Policy Department in the International Relations Office.

In 2003, during the Italian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, she chaired the Working Party on Tax Questions - Direct Taxation.

In 2005 she returned to SECIT and was appointed Director of the Service in January 2006.

In 2008 she was appointed Director of the Observatory for public procurement at the Italian Supervisory Authority for Public Contracts.

Since June 2008 she is Director General of Finance of the Ministry of Economy and Finance.

In 2014, during the Italian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, she chaired the High Level Working Party for taxation.

Since January 2012 she is member of the Bureau of the OECD Committee of Fiscal Affairs. Since January 2017 she serves as Vice Chair of the CFA Bureau.

Since June 2016 she is member of the Steering Group of the Inclusive Framework on BEPS implementation.