

San Marino

Summary of key findings

1. Consistent with the agreed methodology this first annual peer review covers: (i) the domestic legal and administrative framework, (ii) certain aspects of the exchange of information framework as well as (iii) certain aspects of the confidentiality and appropriate use of CbC reports. San Marino does not have a legal and administrative framework in place to implement CbC Reporting and indicates that it will not apply CbC requirements for the 2016 fiscal year. It is recommended that San Marino take steps to implement a domestic legal and administrative framework to impose and enforce CbC requirements as soon as possible, and put in place an exchange of information framework as well as measures to ensure appropriate use.

Part A: Domestic legal and administrative framework

2. San Marino does not yet have legislation in place for implementing the BEPS Action 13 minimum standard.¹ San Marino indicates that the CbC requirements are in the early stages of drafting. At this time, San Marino estimates that the legislation will be issued by 31 December 2018. San Marino indicates that it will apply CbC requirements as of 1 January 2019 with respect to the 2019 fiscal year. It is recommended that San Marino take steps to implement a domestic legal and administrative framework to impose and enforce CbC requirements as soon as possible.

Part B: Exchange of information framework

3. San Marino is a signatory of the *Multilateral Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters: Amended by the 2010 Protocol* (OECD/Council of Europe, 2011) (the “Convention”) (signed on 21 November 2013, in force on 1 December 2015 and in effect for 2016). San Marino is not a signatory to the CbC MCAA. It is recommended that San Marino take steps to sign the CbC MCAA and have QCAAs in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework which meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use prerequisites. It is however noted that San Marino will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2018.²

Part C: Appropriate use

4. San Marino does not yet have measures in place relating to appropriate use.³ It is recommended that San Marino take steps to ensure that the appropriate use condition is met ahead of the first exchanges of information. It is however noted that San Marino will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2018.

Part A: The domestic legal and administrative framework

5. Part A assesses the domestic legal and administrative framework of the reviewed jurisdiction by reviewing the (a) parent entity filing obligation, (b) the scope and timing of parent entity filing, (c) the limitation on local filing obligation, (d) the limitation on local filing in case of surrogate filing and (e) the effective implementation.

6. San Marino does not yet have legislation in place to implement the BEPS Action 13 minimum standard.

(a) Parent entity filing obligation

Summary of terms of reference:⁴ Introducing a CbC filing obligation which applies to Ultimate Parent Entities of MNE Groups above a certain threshold of revenue, whereby all required Constituent Entities of the MNE Group are included in the CbC report and no entity is excluded from CbC Reporting other than permitted (paragraph 8 (a) of the terms of reference).

(b) Scope and timing of parent entity filing

Summary of terms of reference: Providing that the filing of a CbC report by an Ultimate Parent Entity commences for a specific fiscal year; includes all of, and only, the information required; and occurs within a certain timeframe; and the rules and guidance issued on other aspects of filing requirements are consistent with, and do not circumvent, the minimum standard (paragraph 8 (b) of the terms of reference).

(c) Limitation on local filing obligation

Summary of terms of reference: If local filing requirements have been introduced, that such requirements may apply only to Constituent Entities which are tax residents in the reviewed jurisdiction, whereby the content of the CbC report does not contain more than that required from an Ultimate Parent Entity, whereby the reviewed jurisdiction meets the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use requirements, whereby local filing may only be required under certain conditions and whereby one Constituent Entity of an MNE Group in the reviewed jurisdiction is allowed to file the CbC report, satisfying the filing requirement of all other Constituent Entities in the reviewed jurisdiction (paragraph 8 (c) of the terms of reference).

(d) Limitation on local filing in case of surrogate filing

Summary of terms of reference: If local filing requirements have been introduced, that local filing will not be required when there is surrogate filing in another jurisdiction when certain conditions are met (paragraph 8 (d) of the terms of reference).

(e) Effective implementation

Summary of terms of reference: Providing for enforcement provisions and monitoring relating to CbC Reporting's effective implementation including having mechanisms to enforce compliance by Ultimate Parent Entities and Surrogate Parent Entities, applying these mechanisms effectively, and determining the number of Ultimate Parent Entities and Surrogate Parent Entities which have filed, and the number of Constituent Entities which have filed in case of local filing (paragraph 8 (e) of the terms of reference).

7. San Marino does not yet have a legal and administrative framework in place to implement CbC Reporting and it indicates that it will implement CbC Reporting requirements for the 2019 fiscal year starting 1 January 2019. San Marino has confirmed that it has not implemented local filing requirements on resident Constituent Entities of MNE Groups headquartered in another jurisdiction in the meantime.

8. San Marino indicates that the legislation for CbC Reporting is currently in early drafting stages. At this time, San Marino believes that the legislation will come into effect by 1 January 2019.

9. San Marino indicates that there are no MNE Groups currently headquartered in San Marino.

Conclusion

10. In respect of paragraph 8 of the terms of reference (OECD, 2017), San Marino does not have a domestic legal and administrative framework to impose and enforce CbC Reporting requirements on MNE Groups whose Ultimate Parent Entity is resident for tax purposes in San Marino. It is recommended that San Marino take steps to implement a domestic legal and administrative framework to impose and enforce CbC requirements as soon as possible.

Part B: The exchange of information framework

11. Part B assesses the exchange of information framework of the reviewed jurisdiction. For this first annual peer review process, this includes reviewing certain aspects of the exchange of information network as specified in paragraph 9 (a) of the terms of reference (OECD, 2017).

Summary of terms of reference: within the context of the exchange of information agreements in effect of the reviewed jurisdiction, having QCAAs in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework which meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use prerequisites (paragraph 9 (a) of the terms of reference).

12. San Marino does not yet have domestic legislation that permits the automatic exchange CbC reports. San Marino is a Party to the *Multilateral Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters: Amended by the 2010 Protocol* (OECD/Council of Europe, 2011) ("the Convention"), signed on 21 November 2013, in force on 1 December 2015 and in effect for 2016.

13. San Marino is not a signatory to the CbC MCAA. As of 12 January 2018, San Marino does not yet have bilateral relationships activated under the CbC MCAA. It is recommended that San Marino take steps to sign the CbC MCAA and have QCAAs in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework which meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use prerequisites. It is however noted that San Marino will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2018.

Conclusion

14. In respect of the terms of reference under review, it is recommended that San Marino take steps to sign the CbC MCAA and have QCAAs in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework which meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use prerequisites. It is however noted that San Marino will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2018.

Part C: Appropriate use

15. Part C assesses the compliance of the reviewed jurisdiction with the appropriate use condition. For this first annual peer review process, this includes reviewing certain aspects of appropriate use.

Summary of terms of reference: (a) having in place mechanisms (such as legal or administrative measures) to ensure CbC reports which are received through exchange of information or by way of local filing are only used to assess high-level transfer pricing risks and other BEPS-related risks, and, where appropriate, for economic and statistical analysis; and cannot be used as a substitute for a detailed transfer pricing analysis of individual transactions and prices based on a full functional analysis and a full comparability analysis; and are not used on their own as conclusive evidence that transfer prices are or are not appropriate; and are not used to make adjustments of income of any taxpayer on the basis of an allocation formula (paragraphs 12 (a) of the terms of reference).

16. San Marino does not yet have measures in place relating to appropriate use. It is recommended that San Marino take steps to ensure that the appropriate use condition is met ahead of the first exchanges of information. It is however noted that San Marino will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2018.

Conclusion

17. It is recommended that San Marino take steps to ensure that the appropriate use condition is met ahead of the first exchanges of information. It is however noted that San Marino will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2018.

Summary of recommendations on the implementation of Country-by-Country Reporting

Aspect of the implementation that should be improved		Recommendation for improvement
Part A	Domestic legal and administrative framework	It is recommended that San Marino take steps to implement a domestic legal and administrative framework to impose and enforce CbC requirements as soon as possible.
Part B	Exchange of information framework	It is recommended that San Marino take steps to sign the CbC MCAA and have QCAs in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework which meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use prerequisites.
Part C	Appropriate use	It is recommended that San Marino take steps to ensure that the appropriate use condition is met ahead of the first exchanges of information.

Notes

¹ Paragraph 8 of the terms of reference (OECD, 2017).

² Paragraph 9 (a) of the terms of reference (OECD, 2017).

³ Paragraph 12 (a) of the terms of reference (OECD, 2017).

⁴ The « summary of terms of reference » is provided to facilitate the reading of the report. Reference should be made to the exact wording of the terms of reference published in February 2017 (OECD, 2017).

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