Barbados

Barbados was first reviewed during the 2017/2018 peer review. This report is 1. supplementary to Barbados's 2017/2018 peer review report (OECD, 2018_{III}). There is no filing obligation for a CbC report in Barbados yet.

Summary of key findings

- Barbados does not yet have legislation in place for implementing the BEPS Action 2. 13 minimum standard. It is recommended that Barbados take steps to implement a domestic legal and administrative framework to impose and enforce CbC reporting requirements as soon as possible. This recommendation remains unchanged since the 2017/2018 peer review.
- 3. It is recommended that Barbados take steps to have QCAAs in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework which meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use prerequisites and with which it has an international agreement in place which allows for the automatic exchange of information. This recommendation remains unchanged since the 2017/2018 peer review.
- It is recommended that Barbados take steps to implement processes or written procedures to ensure that the exchange of information is conducted in a manner consistent with the terms of reference (OECD, 2017_[2]) relating to the exchange of information framework ahead of the first exchanges of information.
- 5. It is recommended that Barbados take steps to ensure that the appropriate use condition is met ahead of the first exchanges of information. This recommendation remains unchanged since the 2017/2018 peer review.
- 6. It is however noted that Barbados will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2019.

Part A: The domestic legal and administrative framework

Barbados does not yet have legislation in place for implementing the BEPS Action 13 minimum standard. Barbados notes that it is drafting legislation and this is expected to come into effect in 2019.

(a) Parent entity filing obligation

8. No changes were identified with respect to the parent entity filing obligation.

(b) Scope and timing of parent entity filing

9. No changes were identified with respect to the scope and timing of parent entity filing.

(c) Limitation on local filing obligation

10. No changes were identified with respect to the limitation on local filing obligation.

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

11. No changes were identified with respect to the limitation on local filing in case of surrogate filing.

(e) Effective implementation

12. No changes were identified with respect to the effective implementation.

Conclusion

13. There is no change in relation to the domestic legal and administration framework for Barbados since the previous peer review. Barbados notes that it is drafting legislation and this is expected to come into effect in 2019. The recommendation in the 2017/18 peer review, that Barbados take steps to implement a domestic legal and administrative framework to impose and enforce CbC reporting requirements as soon as possible, remains in place.

Part B: The exchange of information framework

(a) Exchange of information framework

14. As of 31 May 2019, Barbados has no bilateral relationships in place for the exchange of CbC reports. It is recommended that Barbados take steps to have qualifying competent authority agreements in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework that meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use conditions and with which Barbados has an international exchange of information agreement in effect that allows for the automatic exchange of tax information.

(b) Content of information exchanged

15. Barbados does not have processes or written procedures in place that are intended to ensure that each of the mandatory fields of information required in the CbC reporting template are present in the information exchanged.

(c) Completeness of exchanges

16. Barbados does not have processes or written procedures in place that are intended to ensure that CbC reports are exchanged with all tax jurisdictions listed in Table 1 of a CbC report with which it should exchange information as per the relevant QCAA.

(d) Timeliness of exchanges

17. Barbados does not have processes or written procedures in place that are intended to ensure that the information to be exchanged is transmitted to the relevant jurisdictions in accordance with the timelines provided for in the relevant QCAAs.

(e) Temporary suspension of exchange or termination of QCAA

18. Barbados does not have processes or written procedures in place that are intended to ensure that a temporary suspension of the exchange of information or termination of a relevant QCAA would be carried out only as per the conditions set out in the relevant QCAA.

(f) Consultation with other Competent Authority before determining systemic failure or significant non-compliance

19. Barbados does not have processes or written procedures in place that are intended to ensure that its Competent Authority consults with the other Competent Authority before

making a determination of systemic failure or significant non-compliance with the terms of the relevant OCAA by that other Competent Authority.

(g) Format for information exchange

Barbados has not confirmed the format that will be used for the international 20. exchange of CbC reports.

(h) Method for transmission

Barbados has not indicated that it uses the Common Transmission System, or any other mechanism, to exchange CbC reports.

Conclusion

- 22. The recommendation in the 2017/2018 peer review for Barbados to take steps to have OCAAs in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework which meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use prerequisites and with which Barbados has an international exchange of information agreement in effect that allows for the automatic exchange of tax information remains in place.
- 23. Further, it is recommended that Barbados take steps to implement processes or written procedures to ensure that the exchange of information is conducted in a manner consistent with the terms of reference relating to the exchange of information framework ahead of its first exchanges of information.
- 24. It is however noted that Barbados will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2019.

Part C: Appropriate use

- 25. Barbados does not yet have measures in place relating to appropriate use. No changes were identified in respect of appropriate use. The recommendation in the 2017/2018 peer review for Barbados to take steps to have measures in place relating to appropriate use ahead of the first exchanges of information remains in place. It is however noted that Barbados will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2019.
- No information or peer input was received for the reviewed jurisdiction in respect of appropriate use.

Conclusion

There is no change to the conclusion in relation to appropriate use for Barbados since the previous peer review. The recommendation for Barbados to take steps to ensure that the appropriate use condition is met ahead of its first exchanges of information remains in place. It is however noted that Barbados will not be exchanging CbC reports in 2019.

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 Barbados 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 Barbados take steps to have QCAAs in effect with jurisdictions of the Inclusive Framework which meet the confidentiality, consistency and appropriate use prerequisites and with which Barbados has an international exchange of information agreement in effect that allows for the automatic exchange of tax information.
Part B	Exchange of information framework	It is recommended that Barbados take steps to implement the necessary processes or written procedures to ensure that the exchange of information is conducted in a manner consistent with the terms of reference relating to the exchange of information framework.
Part C	Appropriate use	It is recommended that Barbados take steps to ensure that the appropriate use condition is met ahead of the first exchanges of information.



From:

Country-by-Country Reporting – Compilation of Peer Review Reports (Phase 2)

Inclusive Framework on BEPS: Action 13

Access the complete publication at:

https://doi.org/10.1787/f9bf1157-en

Please cite this chapter as:

OECD (2019), "Barbados", in Country-by-Country Reporting – Compilation of Peer Review Reports (Phase 2): Inclusive Framework on BEPS: Action 13, OECD Publishing, Paris.

DOI: https://doi.org/10.1787/e9702df7-en

This work is published under the responsibility of the Secretary-General of the OECD. The opinions expressed and arguments employed herein do not necessarily reflect the official views of OECD member countries.

This document, as well as any data and map included herein, are without prejudice to the status of or sovereignty over any territory, to the delimitation of international frontiers and boundaries and to the name of any territory, city or area. Extracts from publications may be subject to additional disclaimers, which are set out in the complete version of the publication, available at the link provided.

The use of this work, whether digital or print, is governed by the Terms and Conditions to be found at http://www.oecd.org/termsandconditions.

