

## REPORT ON THE 15<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE “CONCEPTS OF TAX CODES. THE FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CENTER’S ACTIVITY” (25-27 September 2016, Białystok, Poland)

The 15<sup>th</sup> International Scientific Conference “Concepts of Tax Codes” took place from 25 to 27 September 2016 in Białystok, Poland. The Conference was organized by University of Białystok, Faculty of Law and the Center for Information and Research Organization in Public Finance and Tax Law of Central and Eastern European Countries. The 15<sup>th</sup> International Academic Conference was special, because it was the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Center’s Activity.

During these three days representatives from Belarus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Ukraine were discussing and sharing experiences revolve around Tax Codes in their countries. The Fifteenth Anniversary was also an opportunity to celebrate years of cooperation between Academic Centers in Central and Eastern Europe.

Conference started on Sunday evening (25 September). The participants met on integration meeting in the Faculty of Law Club.

On Monday the President of the Center, Prof. Eugeniusz Ruśkowski opened the Conference. The first panel was moderated by Prof. Marina Karasieva – Sentzova and three lectures were given. Prof. Mariusz Popławski told listeners about Polish Tax Code; Doc. Lilia Abramchik analysed how Belarus Tax Code was created and showed practical aspects of this codification; Prof. Vladimir Babčák described Tax Code in Slovakia.

The second panel was moderated by Dr. Gábor Hulkó. In this section Prof. Marina Karasieva – Sentzova spoke about the Tax Code of the Russian Federation. She described history, structure and reforming problems of this legislation. Prof. Marie Karafíková and Doc. Radim Boháč characterised Tax Procedure Code in the Czech Republic and Doc. Andrii Mostovyi gave a speech on the features of legal regulation of tax relations in Ukraine.

The last panel on the second day was moderated by Doc. Michal Radvan. During this panel Dr. Júlia Fehér, Dr. Gábor Hulkó, Dr. László Pardavi talked about Hungarian Tax Code. This part also included lecture by Prof. Bronius Sudavičius and Dr. Martynas Endrjaitis, who drew the audience’s attention to Tax Ordinance Act of the Republic of Lithuania. Prof. Danylo Getmantsev spoke about codification of Tax Legislation of Ukraine.

The last day of the conference began with a presentation of the Scientific Guide Book of the Center. The President of the Center, Prof. Eugeniusz Ruśkowski, showed the results of scientists’ work from Academic Centers in Central and Eastern Europe. After presentation there was a discussion panel “Rules and problems of evaluation and dissemination of the scientific achievements concerning public finance and tax law in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe and Center’s support in their implementation and solution”.

The chairman Prof. Jan Głuchowski moderated the last panel. The lectures were given by: Dr. Urszula Zawadzka

– Pał (Poland), Doc. Michal Radvan (Czech Republic), Prof. Marina Karasieva – Sentzova (Russia), Doc. Mária Bujňáková (Slovakia), Prof. Oksana Muzyka – Stefan-chuk (Ukraine), Dr. Gábor Hulkón (Hungary), Doc. Lilia Abramchik and Doc. Svetlana Ahiyevets (Belarus).

The 15<sup>th</sup> International Scientific Conference was concluded by Prof. Leonard Etel, Prof. Jan Głuchowski and Prof. Eugeniusz Ruśkowski. They summarized the conference and shared their feelings about it. In the end there was the General Assembly of the Center. During this part plans related to the Center's activity were presented. The President of the Center announced also that the next edition topic will be: "The Optimization of Organization and Legal Solutions Concerning Public Revenues and Expenditure

in Social Interest". All participants agreed that this jubilee edition was very didactic, inspirational and interesting. Days of conference in Białystok were spent in friendly and scientific atmosphere. After the conference, a book "Tax Codes Concepts in the Countries of Central and Eastern Europe" (Edited by: Prof. Leonard Etel and Prof. Mariusz Popławski) was published. The book made by publishing house "Temida 2" includes the speeches of the conference participants.

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