



## Advance Pricing Agreements: Preventing Disputes in Transfer Pricing

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Advance Pricing Agreements (APAs)

Role in preventing transfer pricing disputes

Challenges in implementing APAs?

**BRITACOM** and APAs



## APAs

APA

O1

Agreement authority

Legal Nature

APA

O2

Covering future transactions

**Time limited** 

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#### **BUILDING A GROWTH-FRIENDLY TAX ENVIRONMENT**

APA

01 )

Unilateral

Types APA

02

**Bilateral (MAP)** 

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Multilateral (two or more tax treaties)

## Transfer Pricing Disputes

Complexity

**Transactions** 

Number and types of transactions

Law (arm' s length principle)

uncertainty

- Transfer pricing methodology
  - "unique" and "intangibles"
    - Lacking data



# APAs Provides "certainty"

#### Why not using APAs?

## Tax Administrations

Resources
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Expertise

Lock-in future tax revenues click to add text

#### Why not using APAs?

**Taxpayers** 

Documentation and Cost

Disclosure of "secrets"

Time of negotiations

litigation lottery



## BRITACOM?

#### **Promoting APAs**

#### **Sharing country practices:**

- China
- Indonesia
- Malaysia
- Singapore

- Training
- Technical assistance



## **THANKS**

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