

## FATCA NEWSLETTER

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This newsletter covers the following topics:

- Upcoming Event - October 2016
- FATCA XML Schema User Guide v2.0
- FATCA XML Schema and Sample Files Updated
- FATCA IDES Data Preparation Examples Updated

### 'FATCA to CRS - How to make an easy transition'

The workshop will focus on key aspects of CRS and guide the participants on how to make an easy transition from FATCA to CRS at optimal cost & effort. The workshop will be presented by *Mr. Ranjith Kumar - Director* and industry expert on FATCA & CRS in the region.

**DATE:** Wednesday 19 October 2016

**TIMING:** 9:00 to 17:00 (Registration starts at 8:30am)

**VENUE:** Downtown Rotana, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

**REGISTRATION BY:** Thursday 13 October 2016

To download the workshop *brochure, agenda and registration form* please [click here](#)

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*Seats are limited, please register as soon as possible to avoid missing out!*

### FATCA XML Schema User Guide v2.0

A new user guide is now available for users. Based on FATCA XML schema the new user guide provides updated business rules and technical information for FATCA reporting. International IDES users will be required to submit their FATCA reports using the new user guide "v2.0".

Starting January 2017 the FATCA schema "v1.1" will no longer be supported.

For more information please [click here](#)

## FATCA XML Schema and Sample Files Updated

Both FATCA Report samples and the FATCA XML Schema v2.0 have been updated with minor changes done to them. Using comparison tools IRS advises to compare the FATCA Schema “v1.1” along with “v2.0” to note the difference between them.

### Recommended conversion tools

- WinDiff
- WinMerge

For more information please [click here](#)

## FATCA IDES Data Preparation Examples Updated

IDES recently updated the data preparation tools on GitHub for .NET and Java. Documents are available on how to create IDES data packets and decrypt a notification.

### *New features (Java)*

- Digital signature validation to verify correct encoding

### *New features (.NET)*

- Digital signature validation during data packaging
- Multi-file processing for automatic transmission via Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP)
- Schema validation during data packaging
- SFTP transfer logging that automatically checks for notifications via SFTP

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