

Tuesday March 20th 2018 Green Park, Reading

Registration from 7.30am, starting at 8am with '1-2-1' slots with the speakers from 9.30am
Continental breakfast on arrival

BREAKFAST BRIEFING PLUS FREE CONSULTATION

FREE FOR TVCC MEMBERS AND HARWOOD HUTTON GUESTS

Leaving the Customs Union

The VAT and Customs & Duty implications for business if we really do say 'goodbye'

This breakfast seminar takes place with almost exactly one year to the official departure of the UK from the EU – Friday 29th March 2019 – and focuses on two of the most important issues for businesses: VAT and Customs.

Experts from Harwood Hutton and Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce will summarise your essential pre-Brexit checklist and put you on the path to ensuring your business is not only fit for the new regime but is in the optimum position to flourish.

We will highlight the potential or even likely costs associated with leaving the Customs Union so business leaders can better plan their finances and manage expectations with suppliers and end users.



Who should attend?

Leaders of businesses buying and/or selling goods, materials, ingredients, semi-finished or finished, which cross the UK's borders.

What subjects will be covered?

- ✓ VAT – UK and international
- ✓ Customs declarations
- ✓ Free trade agreements
- ✓ Future scenarios & Impacts
- ✓ Business preparations

Free VAT and Customs Consultation

Harwood Hutton is offering a free consultation after the event. There will be an opportunity for a 'speed-date' immediately afterwards or a telephone-based follow-up at a later time. Please indicate your preference when you contact us.

Timings

7.30am – 8am:	Registration and Networking
8am-8.15am:	Welcome from Anne White of Thames Valley Chamber of Trade
8.15am – 9.15am:	Presentations from Ian Worth and Gerry Myton of Harwood Hutton
9.15am-9.30am:	Q&A session chaired by Anne White
9.30am onwards:	Networking and free 1-2-1 consultations with the speakers

How Do I Book?

By email to inform@harwoodhutton.co.uk

Please include the name of your business and indicate if you wish to take advantage of our free consultation.

Attendance is free to members of Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce and to guests of Harwood Hutton. *Please note that this event is not open to professional service companies.*

Getting to Green Park

Green Park is a world class conference facility located just off the M4.

The full address is 100 Longwater Avenue, Green Park, Reading RG2 6GP.

There is plenty of on-site parking.

SPEAKERS

Ian Worth

Ian is Head of Customs Consultancy and International Trade at Harwood Hutton Specialist Tax Services. He was formerly Head of Customs advisory and consultancy at both Grant Thornton and BDO. “It is embarrassingly clear that the UK entered into the EU Referendum with no plan whatsoever, which now results in hastily drawn up papers setting out hastily constructed visions,” says Ian. “UK businesses would be wise to plan for trade on WTO terms from March 29th, 2019.”



Gerry Myton

Gerry is Head of Indirect Taxation at HHSTS and is one of the leading authorities on VAT in the UK. “Regardless of your political persuasion, there are pragmatic steps that businesses can be taking now in preparation for Brexit,” says Gerry. “Sensible business leaders will see this as an opportunity to ensure they are operating with maximum efficiency and in a great position to take advantage of whatever emerges from the UK’s negotiations with the EU and others.”



Anne White

Anne is Head of International Trade and Compliance at Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce. She has been involved for more than 30 years in the field of international trade, in both the private and public sector. Anne has responsibility for the development and delivery of Chamber’s extensive portfolio of International Trade Services, as well as developing strategic partnership with key stakeholders. Anne is an active member of the national BCC International Trade Strategy Group, as well as being a UK Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS) approved assessor and inspector relating to the field of origin regulations.



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