21-25 BOULEVARD ROYAL IN LUXEMBOURG THE ADDRESS OF MORE THAN 160 POST BOXES, MANY WITH THE NAMES OF MORE THAN 30 COMPANIES

IT IS ALSO WHERE THE SWISS EMBASSY IS LOCATED

Photo: Silka Ötech



TAX HAVEN / SECRECY JURISDICTION

Country or area that offers financial secrecy and no or little tax liability to foreign companies. When money go through a tax haven, the traces are often hidden.





THIS BUILDING IN DELAWARE IS THE REGISTERED ADDRESS FOR 285 000 COMPANIES

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AXA WEALTH INTERNATIONAL PROMISES THEIR CUSTOMERS TAX BENEFITS ON ISLE OF MAN

- Reduce the effect of inheritance tax
- Tax-deferred income
- Funds grow free of income or capital gains tax

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TRUST

The owners of a trust can be kept secret through the use of a middle man in a tax haven who manages the money.





manages the money



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BEIRUT'S OFFSHORE FINANCIAL SERVICES SECTOR HAS BEEN GROWING AT AN AVERAGE OF NEARLY 12 % PER YEAR SINCE 2006

Source: Financial Secrecy Index 2015 Photo: Paul Saad/CC



«WE'RE NOT A TAX HAVEN, WE HAVE NEVER BEEN INVOLVED IN ANY KIND OF TAX MALPRACTICE» - Michael Noonan, Ireland's Finance Minister, October 5th 2015

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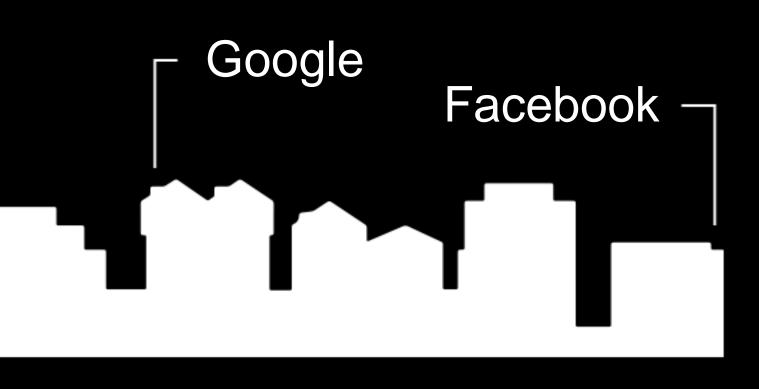


IRELAND'S CORPORATE TAX:



Companies with European headquarters in Ireland

Apple



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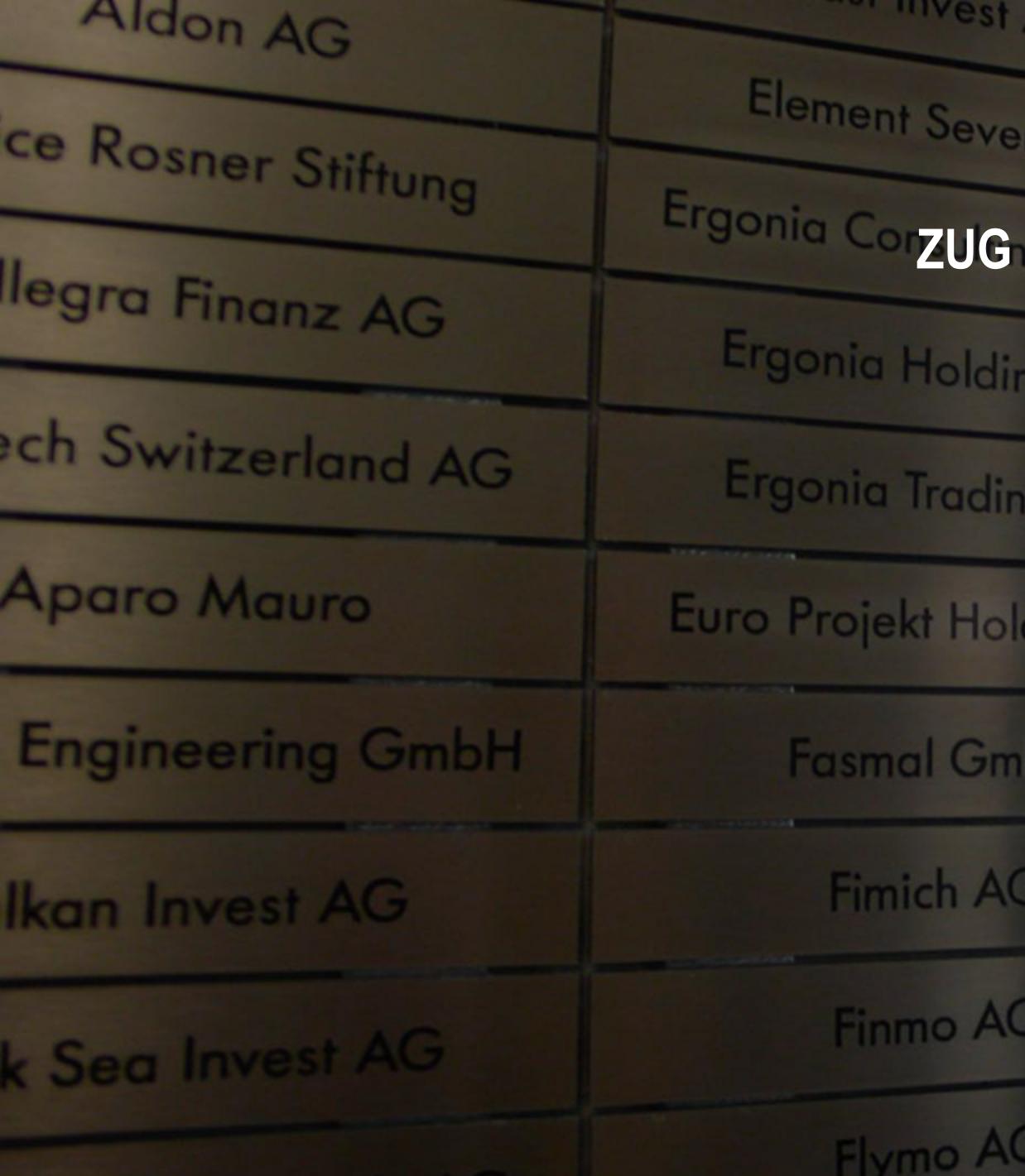
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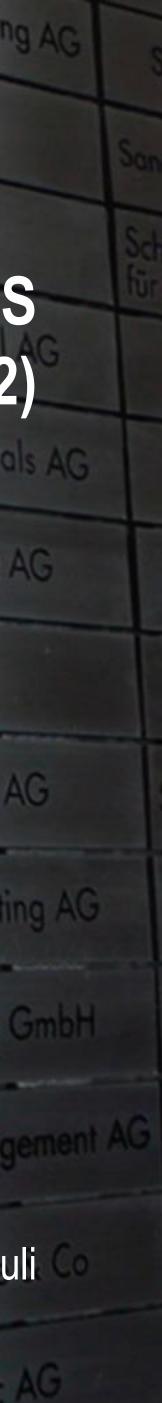
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IN 2015 BANKS IN SWITZERLAND HELD \$6.5 TRILLION IN ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT, OF WHICH 51 % ORIGINATED FROM ABROAD

Source: Financial Secrecy Index 2015 Photo: Ximonic (Simo Räsänen)/Wikimedia Commons





1 thousandth of their revenue

What Google Norway paid in taxes in 2013. Their revenue was 1.9 billion NOK

THE SWISS BANKING SECRECY LAW WAS INTRODUCED IN 1934

Photo: Celia Di Pauli



GREAT BRITAIN

Britain has 18 "Overseas Territories" and "Crown Dependencies" which in reality is ruled by the Queen of England. If this global network was counted together UK would have ranked on top of the Financial Secrecy Index.

BANK STATION

UNDERGROUND

Photo: Vegard Foseide



THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

800 000 registered companies



28 000 inhabitants

Palan, R., Murphy, R., & Chavagneux, C. (2010). Tax Havens – How Globalisation really works. New York: Cornell University Press. Side 57

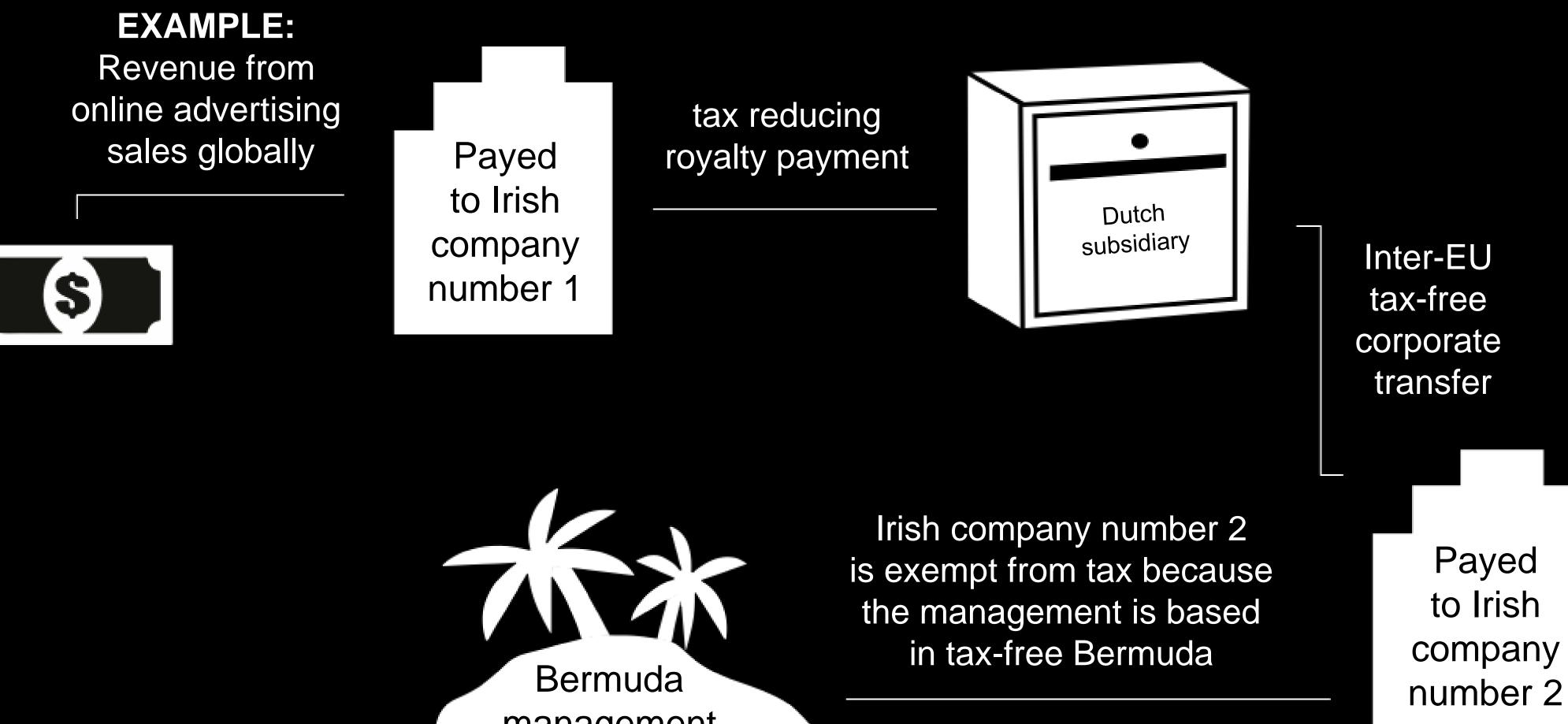


8 RUE HENRIE HEINE, LUXEMBOURG: iTUNES EUROPE'S HEAD OFFICE

Photo: Silke Ötsch



«DOUBLE IRISH WITH A DUTCH SANDWICH»





Based on infographic by Australian Financial Report

«IN HONG KONG WHAT IS NOT EXPRESSLY FORBIDDEN IS PERMITTED» - Lee Kuan Yew, former prime minister in Singapore

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180,6 BILLION EURO

SENT BY HSBC THROUGH ACCOUNTS IN HSBC SWITZERLAND FOR OVER 100 000 CLIENTS AND 20 000 OFFSHORE COMPANIES

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IN 2015 SINGAPORE HELD AROUND ONE EIGHTH OF THE GLOBAL STOCK OF TOTAL OFFSHORE WEALTH

Source: Financial Secrecy Index 2015 Photo: Kai Lehmann/CC

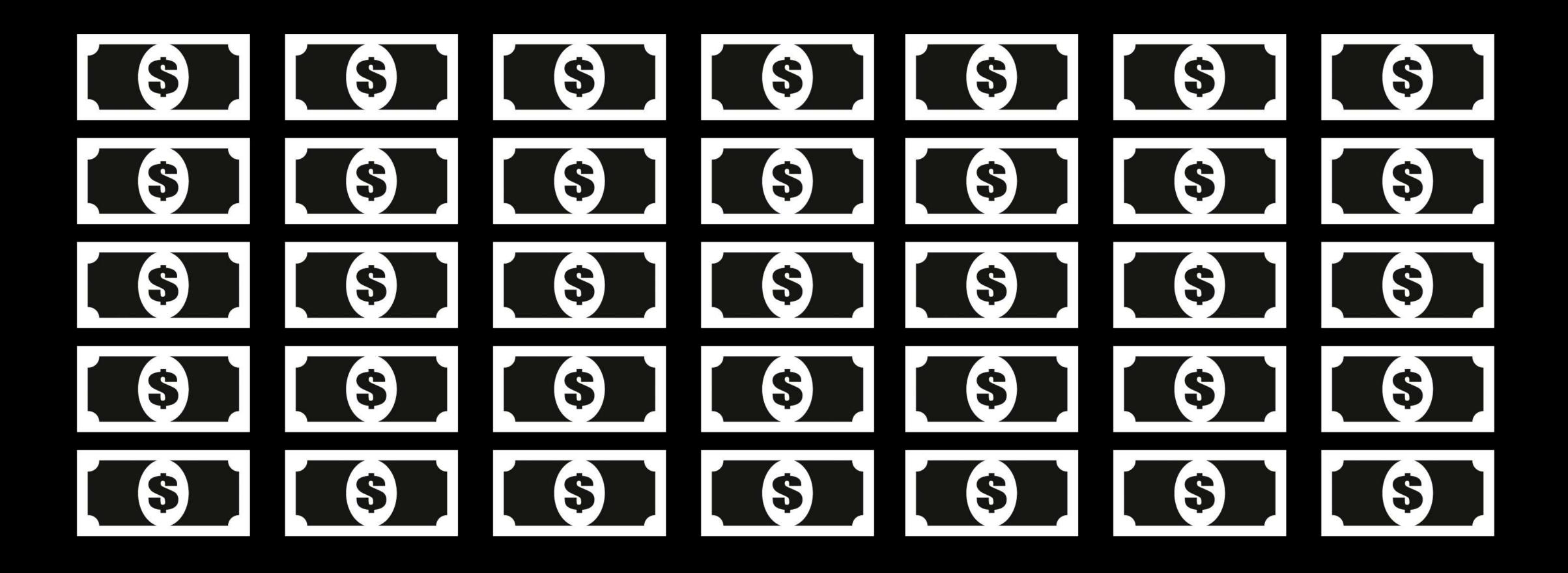


HONG KONG'S SECRECY SCORE The government is very reluctant to accept global initiatives to ensure openness

Source: Financial Secrecy Index 2015 Photo: Can Pac Swire/CC

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136 BILLION NORWEGIAN KRONER

Estimated yearly tax evasion in Norway

Trusselvurdering. Økonomisk kriminalitet og miljøkriminalitet 2013–2014 (2013) Økokrim. Side 24

Source:

«GERMANY IS A SAFE HAVEN FOR DICTATOR'S LOOT, THE ASSETS OF ORGANISED CRIME NETWORKS, AND THE PROCEEDS OF TAX CRIMES AND OTHER **ILLICIT FINANCIAL FLOWS FROM AROUND THE GLOBE»**

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Source: Financial Secrecy Index 2015 Photo: Sascha Kohlmann



OF LUXEMBOURG'S WORK FORCE ARE FOREIGNERS

Source: http://www.luxembourg.public.lu Photo: Silke Ötsch



"A SIMPLE REGIME: TAX LAWS ARE FEW AND STRAIGHTFORWARD» - Oxford Business Group about Dubai



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TAX LEVELS IN BAHRAIN

Corporate income tax:

BAHRAIN HOSTS THE LARGEST CONCENTRATION OF ISLAMIC FINANCE INSTITUTIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

Personal income tax:

Capital gains tax:

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