

**Event Date:**  
**February 28,**  
**2008**

### Event Details

#### Date

February 28, 2008

#### Time

8.30 am – 2.00 pm

#### Location

Conrad Brussels Hotel  
Avenue Louise 71  
1050 Brussels

#### Fee

Members: €150  
Non members: €250

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## Conference on the new U.S.-Belgium Income Tax Treaty

**The new Treaty, which went into effect on  
January 1, 2008, has many features that are  
beneficial to the business community.**

The Conference is aimed at highlighting the principal provisions of the Treaty enabling both companies and individuals to take advantage of the opportunities presented and to avoid the pitfalls. American and Belgian tax experts will lead you through those provisions of the Treaty that are likely to be of primary concern.

The topics presented will be of particular interest to management of Belgian subsidiaries of American companies and management of Belgian companies doing business in the United States, as well as to individual Americans resident in Belgium.

It is recommended that participants have some knowledge of basic tax principles.

### Program:

8.30-9.00 am: Registration and welcome coffee

9.00-9.20 am: **Welcome and Background to the Treaty**

Conference Chair: Howard Liebman, Partner, Jones Day (Legal & Taxation Committee Chair)

Background: Eric Osterweil, Counsel, Steptoe & Johnson LLP

9.20-10.30am: **Panel 1: Reduction of Tax Burdens on Business**

Speakers: Luc Dhont, Group Manager Tax Benelux, Procter & Gamble Distributions (Europe), Marcia Doyle, Partner, Deloitte and Werner Heyvaert, Partner, Stibbe

Topics covered: Benefits to Belgian business particularly as regards U.S. withholding taxes. Benefits to American business particularly as regards Belgian withholding taxes. Use of transparent entities such as LLCs. Time will be allowed for Q&A.

10.30-10.45 am: Coffee Break

10.45-11.20 am: **Panel 2 – Benefits for individuals**

Speakers: Marc Quaghebeur, Partner, Vandendijk & Partners and Steven Van Laer, Partner, Ernst & Young

Topics covered: Pensions. Directors' Fees. Capital Gains. School teachers. Expats. Time will be allowed for Q&A.

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11.20am-12.20pm: **Panel 3 – Special Issues**

Speakers: Howard Liebman, Eric Osterweil, Enrico Schoonvliet, Partner, Loyens & Loeff and Roel Van Werde, Vice-Chair, Legal & Taxation Committee  
Topics covered: Limitation on Benefits. Arbitration. Exchange of Information. Relief from Double Taxation. U.S.-Belgium Treaty compared to other U.S. Tax Treaties. Time will be allowed for Q&A.

12.20-12.30pm: **Summary and Conclusions**

Howard Liebman, Partner, Jones Day (Legal & Taxation Committee Chair)

12.30-2.00pm: **Lunch with Didier Reynders, Minister of Finance (tbc).**

This event is organized by AmCham Belgium's Legal & Taxation Committee.

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## Registration Form

Registration can be made by returning the attached response form by **post**, by **fax** 02/513 35 90, by **email** to [dsmith@amcham.be](mailto:dsmith@amcham.be), or **online** at [www.amcham.be](http://www.amcham.be). Notice of attendance and payment must reach AmCham Belgium by noon February 26. Payments must be made in advance by bank transfer to the AmCham Belgium bank account: ING 310-0548586-40. Cancellations are possible until noon February 26.

**I will attend the Conference on the U.S.-Belgium Income Tax Treaty on February 28, 2008.**

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**Guest(s):**

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