### **Reclaim of VAT Paid in Germany**

## **Get Your Money Back!**

Participating in trade fairs, attending business meetings and travelling to visit clients is almost indispensable for the success in the competed German market. Especially companies from outside Europe are well advised to use these opportunities to gain access to German clients, although the costs might be quite elevated.



However, up to 19% of these costs can be saved for foreign seated companies by applying for refund of the German VAT paid during the business activities in Germany. Germany refunds VAT for companies from more than 50 countries worldwide.

But the administrative procedure for non-EU countries is still complicated: formal requirements are strict, deadlines are short and German language is needed for any query. Other than EU companies, applicants from third countries cannot file for refund in their home countries.

That is why we, at Benefitax, include VAT refund in our service list, carrying out the application process in order to minimize our clients' workload and maximize their refund. We also invite new clients to use this service as another piece of the puzzle composing our one-stop shop consultancy.

Our experienced and reliable team will advise you and outline the best strategy to make use of your right to claim VAT refund in Germany.

# Our services for you

- Check if your company meets all conditions to apply for refund in Germany
- Formal review of all invoices and receipts to prove compliance with German regulations



- Assistance with necessary corrections of invoices to optimize them for refund
- Information on required national confirmations
- Preparation of the formal application
- Online presentation of the application with the German fiscal authority for quicker handling
- Help with meeting the deadlines
- Follow-up on the process and communication with relevant German authorities
- Review of the VAT refund notice and assistance with remedy procedures
- Administration of refunded amounts on our VAT account, providing high security level
- Fees based on successful refund, declining percentage according to amount
- Cost-efficient direct deduction of fees from our VAT account



**General Conditions** 

We can assist you to reclaim VAT in Germany if:

- ✓ You are not subject to German VAT taxation
- ✓ You can present original invoices for all items
- ✓ You present all documentation until 1<sup>st</sup> of May of the following year
- Your country of residence is listed among the countries admitted for refund

#### No cost risk

Our success fee guarantees you to get back a maximum amount of VAT without much administrative efforts on your side. We do not charge any advance payment if the refund will be domiciled to our VAT account.

Our fee structure will be calculated according to the refunded amount, in a declining rate between 15% and 10% (with a minimum fee of 1.000 €), making our service extremely profitable to you if you expect higher refunds.

Refund up to  $10.000 \in = 15\%$ refund up to  $100.000 \in = 12.5\%$ refund over  $100.000 \in = 10\%$ 

It is your money - don't give it away!

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## **Our Expertise - Your Benefit**

- VAT expert opinions
- Full range of tax and accounting services and discretion
- Personal contact international background

#### **VAT** expert opinions

VAT questions have become a complex and important element in international business taxation. If you are not sure whether your outgoing invoices should be with or without German VAT, if VAT registration in Germany is needed or if your activities are liable to the normal or the reduced VAT rate, our tax advisors will be happy to provide you with individual VAT expert opinions to make sure you comply with German law.

# Full range of tax and accounting services and discretion

Even if your business grows to a branch or subsidiary in Germany, Benefitax, as a full-service tax consulting and public audit company, will be able to help you with all kinds of tax and accounting related services. As chartered experts, it is a must for us to work with a maximum discretion.

#### Personal contact - international background

Being a medium-sized company, our experts are in close personal contact with the clients they are in charge of. All our employees speak English, many of them other languages. Via our international GGI alliance we have access to partners in more than 120 countries – most likely also in your country.



#### Who to contact

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# Refund of German Turnover Tax





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