



VAT Engine v18.11.1

Release Note

Overview

This release is a patch release of the VAT Engine application for the month of November 2018. It includes Bahrain as a VAT implementing GCC country as from 1 January 2019.

Main changes in VAT Engine

The following improvements have been made in the VAT Engine.

Bahrain was added to the VAT Engine/VAT Expert as a new country implementing VAT as from 1 January 2019.

In 2018, Saudi Arabia (KSA) and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) have already been included as VAT implementing GCC countries in the VAT Engine/VAT Expert. As from 1 January 2019, Bahrain has been added to the VAT Engine as another GCC country who has implemented VAT.

This release (Bahrain Phase 1) is based on unofficial translation of Bahrain VAT Law. Further improvements (Bahrain Phase 2) will be made as soon as official translation of the VAT regulations is made available.

List of supported features in Bahrain Phase 1 release:

1. Local supply of goods
2. Local supply of services
3. Import of goods
4. Import of services
5. Export of goods
6. Export of services
7. Special place of supply rules applicable for:
 - Telecommunications, broadcasting and electronic (TBE) services;
 - B2C renting of vehicles;
 - Restaurant and catering;
 - Hotel services;
 - Supplies of goods with installation;
 - Cultural, Artistic, Sports and Recreational Services;
 - Real estate related services; and
 - Transport of goods and passengers.

Not included due to the VAT regulations not yet being published in Bahrain are most of the exemptions (e.g. on basic food items; medical supplies; medicines and medical equipment; oil and gas; certain constructions and education) and special place of supply rules for oil and gas sector.

In addition, we also made several improvements in GCC VAT Framework which are applicable in UAE and KSA, for example:

- Real estate related services;
- B2C renting of vehicles;
- U&E rule applicable for export of services;
- Supplies with installation.

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