


## SUMMARY

### Report to the Federal Parliament: Audit regarding VAT on cross-border electronic services – the *Mini One Stop Shop* (MOSS)



Since 2015, companies have been given the opportunity to use the *Mini One Stop Shop* (MOSS) for specific services provided to private individuals in another Member State of the European Union. All VAT formalities are fulfilled in the Member State of the supplier, who will distribute the received VAT return among the Member States of the customers. Such approach alleviates a large part of the administrative burden on the companies.

In 2021, it will be possible to apply the *One Stop Shop* on an optional basis to all cross-border supplies and services provided to private customers. The scope as well as the financial significance of the system will therefore grow exponentially.

The Court's audit showed that the way the Belgian tax authorities addressed the introduction of the MOSS was administratively and technically adequate. However, identifying online service providers who fail to register for VAT remains a weak spot. So far, there has been no risk analysis supporting the verifications, and the opportunities for international cooperation have remained unused. Yet, international cooperation is crucial in that the Member State receiving the final VAT return has no direct verification authority on the service provider who is established in another Member State.