Multilateral Convention (MLI) – Hungary Publishes English and Hungarian Synthesized Texts of Hungary-Iceland Treaty

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The Hungarian Ministry of Finance recently published the English and Hungarian synthesized texts of the Hungary - Iceland Income Tax Treaty (2005), displaying the modifications made to the treaty by the MLI.

Hungary and Iceland deposited their instrument of ratification of the MLI on, respectively, 25 March 2021 and 26 September 2019. The MLI therefore entered into force for Hungary on 1 July 2021 and for Iceland on 1 January 2020.

Iceland expanded the application of the Multilateral BEPS Convention on its existing treaties on 14 December 2021 (see Multilateral Instrument (MLI) – Iceland Expands Application of MLI on Existing Treaties (15 December 2021)).

Unless stated otherwise in the synthesized text, the provisions of the MLI will generally have effect with respect to the Hungary - Iceland Income Tax Treaty (2005):

In Hungary and Iceland:

- with respect to taxes withheld at source on amounts paid or credited to non-residents, where the event giving rise to such taxes occurs on or after 1 January 2022; and
- with respect to all other taxes, for taxes levied with respect to taxable periods beginning on or after 1
 January 2022.

The purpose of the synthesized text is to facilitate the understanding of the application of the MLI but it is not in itself a source of law.

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