

Dear members, colleagues, and friends,

Last week marked an important milestone for our beloved foundation.

After several years of hard work, we have formally reached the end of our founding period.

Created in 2020, and officially launched in Miami in May 202 we initiated a set timeline for our supporters to join us as **founding members**.

That period officially ended May 31, 2023.

What began as a dream turned into an idea, then a project, and finally a reality. **Today, we are here to celebrate.**

How did The 1841 Foundation come about, and why is its role absolutely crucial in this fight?

As you know, for over two decades, I have been focused on protecting my clients and their families from the **fiscal voracity of states** and the **lack of legal security** that many countries provide to those who reside, work, or invest there. I have also fought against the growing invasion of privacy by governments and multilateral organizations.

Over time, I discovered other equally harmful trends, such as **the demonization of wealth and the weakening of the right to private property.** I soon realized that the **on-going battle required publicly combating tax hells, fiscal cartelization**, and attacks on tax sovereignty of nations. That is why I started writing books, giving presentations on the matter, and actively engaging in social media to educate and spread the message beyond my social circles.

However, a few years ago, I understood that this was not enough. To achieve real change, lobbying was necessary, and thus The 1841 Foundation was born. In my opinion, an organized and well-funded group **must stand up to the OECD and the Piketty of our times!**

This foundation emerged from the need to unite efforts to shift the macro-trends that affect us all: taxation, privacy, and wealth. Today, we are proud to have a community of committed members willing to do whatever it takes to protect our rights.

Therefore, your role as members is crucial in this fight. **Together, we can achieve real and lasting change for ourselves and future generations.**

Our focus is well grounded and based on experience, global conversations, and past history.

Our foundation is a hybrid between an academic organization like STEP or the International Fiscal Association and a think tank like the Heritage Foundation or The Cato Institute. In other words, we are a professional association with a purpose.

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Our goal is to generate networking and training opportunities and lobby for the objectives we set.

On a broader level, our work complements that of associations defending taxpayers' rights, but it is more strategic and ambitious.

It is not just about lowering taxes or eliminating abuses, it is about changing the way taxation and privacy are addressed worldwide.

A Recap of Our First Year

In our first year of operation, entirely self-funded, we have completed and executed a long list of tasks. These include: authoring and submitted requests to the U.S. Treasury Department and the OECD, analyzing the tax reform that the Honduran government intends to approve, organizing a <u>successful summit</u> held in Buenos Aires last November and publishing and distributing our <u>first tax hell index</u>.

We are currently working on the second edition of Tax Hells and hope to release it shortly.

In addition, planning is underway for our second annual summit.

This event will provide a space for conversation, learning, education, and bringing together individuals who share our philosophies and goals.

This year, we will meet in Miami on November 16th

The agenda and speakers for this year's summit will be announced. soon and sponsorship opportunities are now open.

We hope you will be able to join us!

Furthermore, different members our community have published articles and collaborated with other groups and organizations to spread our ideas and make our voice louder.

Imagine we could accomplish with your expanded support! There are multiple ways to get involved.

Those who wish to become members can do so through the <u>memberships we currently offer</u>. Donors are always welcome and your support for our annual summit could come in the form of sponsorship, donations, gifts in kind or attendance as a delegate.

When it comes to our foundation, we believe that the larger our community, the stronger our voice and with that comes the greater possibility of seeing real changes. This change is

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essential for an organization devoted to fighting against macro-trends that affect us all in terms of taxation, privacy and wealth.

In closing, acting and getting involved is easy:

- Visit our website and follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter.
- Spread the word about what we do.
- Take part in our activities either as attendees or sponsors.
- <u>Donate</u>, either occasionally or on a regular basis

Thank you for your time, attention, and support.

Hopefully, we can count on you!

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