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Cross-Border Giving: A Legal and Practical Guide
Workbook Edition
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“This important reference will help experienced and new Grantmakers, organizations seeking US-based donors, and anyone seeking a deeper impact with their giving. The regulations for international giving can be daunting; this book brings clarity and cuts through the confusion.”

-- Dr. Melissa A Berman, President & CEO of Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors

Donors from the United States are known around the world for their generosity. In fact, a record-breaking $410 billion was given by U.S. donors to charities in 2017 (Giving USA 2018 Report). The number of foundations, corporations, and individuals committed to advancing philanthropy beyond the borders of the United States is impressive, with gifts to the international affairs subsector representing the seventh-largest share of charitable dollars across the landscape for U.S. charitable giving. However, these donors often face daunting challenges.

Complex U.S. and international regulatory frameworks apply to cross-border giving, and a lack of understanding of these rules and regulations can result in excessive exposure of donors to risks impacting both their bank accounts and their reputation. In this age of increased prevalence of money laundering, terrorist financing, and an ongoing global trend of tightening regulation of the nonprofit sector, compliance in cross-border grantmaking has never been more difficult nor more important to achieve.

Coming off of the success of their 2018 title, Cross-Border Giving: A Legal and Practical Guide, Ted Hart, ACFRE, CAP®, President and CEO of CAF America and Kinga Ile, LL.M., Vice President of Thought Leadership at CAF America, one of the largest international grantmaking organizations in the U.S., who, along with a bevy of expert co-authors, bring decades of experience in international philanthropy to the release of a brand new edition in Cross-Border Giving: A Legal and Practical, Workbook Edition [Charity Channel Press, February 2019].
The book is available for the first time in paperback, in a larger user-friendly size and now includes plenty of room for the reader to write notes. “We have always envisioned Cross-Border Giving to be a reference manual that practitioners can keep on their desks and check at anytime. Now, with the release of Cross-Border Giving, Workbook Edition, they can do so and with much more ease,” explains Ile.

"Even with the noblest of intentions and goals, if donors do not ensure that their funding is going to well-vetted, trustworthy recipients, they could be doing more harm than good,” says Hart. “As you will learn from the authors in this book, many issues must be addressed when U.S. donors, be they foundations, individuals, corporations, or anyone else involved in philanthropy, choose to make cross-border donations. These span a wide range of regulatory compliance issues, such as adhering to laws blocking the use of charitable funds to finance organized crime and terrorism, preventing the cooptation of the grantmaking process for fraud or personal gain, and ensuring full compliance with applicable laws in the foreign countries that host grant beneficiaries.”

A timely and comprehensive book, Cross-Border Giving, Workbook Edition is required reading for any professional in international philanthropy and is relevant to any person or organization working across borders.

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