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## Presentation

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### Initial Statements on Tax & Data

- Tax Administrations in general and the Danish tax admistration specifically are data hubs
- The Danish tax return can be made 100% without taxpayer involvement, almost
- The Danish Tax Administration has almost all the information on each taxpayer.

# Initial statements on AI and robotics

The level of digitalization and the level of knowledge gives excellent opportunities for

- Datamining
- Cross references
- And logic contexts

From simple to more complex cases

### Initial statements on International Tax Evasion

- Statements
  - Tax Legislation ends at the border
  - Tax Evasion does not stop at the border.
  - Crossing borders and cherry picking your tax jurisdiction is a day to day event
  - Borders are resetting the jurisdictions legislation and makes things more complicated
  - The answer: Install legislation that makes it easier to follow the money

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#### Initial Statements Beneficial Owner

- The use of Vehicles are designed to disguise the Beneficial Owner
- Using more jurisdictions brings the legislative side more complex
- CRS, FATCA and other international agreements are working, but do not solve the problem
- The need to follow the money within and beyond a Jurisdiction has never been higher

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#### Initial statements

The Danish Tax Legislation holds provision, where the Tax Administration can get all inbound and outbound transaction from the Danish Financial Institutions

- 65 million transactions for the first 9 years
- the dataset gives
  - direct access to some cases,
  - insight into larger business transaction,
  - the more advanced analytics and helps in leaks (e.g. Swiss leaks, Panamapapers)

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# Lessons learned from 10 years of use

- The collection of data on all transactions in and out of Denmark has been a game changer
- It is the single most valued tool in the tool box to combat International Tax Evasion
- Legislation surrounding must be in place as well
- New areas of interest?