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countries, the author analyses the situations of Brazil and India
regarding the taxation of services in their domestic legislation and in
their tax treaties, comparing the provisions of the latter with the
current provisions in model tax conventions.