ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING COUNTER TERRORISM FINANCING

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Masterclass & Forum

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ABOUT THE FORUM

Theme:

From Regulation to Resilience: Navigating Australia's AML/CTF Transformation

Australia's financial crime compliance regime is undergoing its most significant overhaul in two decades. With Tranche 2 reforms expanding regulation to approximately 80,000 new entities, the adoption of virtual asset frameworks aligned with FATF standards, and a critical FATF mutual evaluation on the horizon, organizations across legal, accounting, real estate, and fintech sectors face unprecedented compliance demands.

This masterclass brings together regulators, compliance leaders, technology experts, and practitioners to build practical understanding of the reformed AML/CTF regime and equip professionals to implement effective programs in their organizations.

The forum will provide an engaging, practical opportunity for industry leaders, compliance professionals, regulators and advisers to explore what the new rules mean in practice. Through expert discussion, real-world perspectives and actionable guidance, attendees will examine how to embed effective compliance while maintaining client trust and commercial agility—and how stronger collaboration can protect Australian businesses, consumers and the financial system from money laundering, organised crime and terrorism financing.

The reforms as part of a broader modernisation of Australia's regime in response to changing technologies, business models and illicit-financing methods.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

Tranche 2 Reforms :
- Sector-specific compliance roadmaps for legal, accounting, and real estate professionals
- Risk assessment frameworks for newly regulated entities
- Implementing AML programs from scratch for Tranche 2 entities
- Customer due diligence (CDD) enhanced procedures

Virtual Assets & Digital Currency
- Virtual Asset Service Provider (VASP) obligations and registration requirements
- Crypto-to-crypto transaction monitoring
- Travel rule implementation (July 2026)
- Distinguishing between captured and excluded virtual assets (e.g., NFTs, stablecoins, game tokens)
- Wallet monitoring and transaction analysis in blockchain ecosystems

Proliferation Financing
- Understanding Counter-Proliferation Financing (CPF) obligations
- UN Security Council sanctions screening
- Identifying proliferation finance red flags

Enhanced Customer Due Diligence (CDD)
- Enhanced CDD procedures for high-risk customers
- Beneficial ownership identification challenges
- Politically exposed persons (PEPs) screening
- Risk-based CDD approaches

Technology & Compliance Infrastructure
- AML technology stack selection
- Automated suspicious activity reporting (SAR) systems
- Data analytics for transaction monitoring
- Compliance documentation and audit trails

FATF Alignment & Global Standards
- Australia's FATF mutual evaluation (2026) preparation
- International cooperation in AML/CTF enforcement
- Cross-border transaction reporting requirements

Emerging Risks & Case Studies
- Money laundering typologies in real estate and legal services
- Terrorism financing risk indicators
- Ransomware and extortion-linked fund flows
- Sanctions evasion techniques

MASTERCLASS
FROM IMPLEMENTATION TO EFFECTIVENESS

Moving beyond the establishment of policies and procedures, this practical one-day masterclass is designed to help newly regulated Tranche 2 businesses turn AML/CTF obligations into effective, sustainable day-to-day controls. With Australia's expanded AML/CTF regime applying from 1 July 2026, the session is particularly relevant to legal professionals, accountants, conveyancers, real estate professionals, trust and company service providers, and dealers in precious metals, stones and related products that provide designated services.

Through expert-led discussion, interactive scenarios and sector-focused guidance, participants will explore how to develop a risk-based AML/CTF programme that works in practice—not simply on paper. The masterclass will cover customer due diligence, beneficial ownership, risk assessments, suspicious matter reporting, record keeping, staff training, governance and ongoing programme evaluation. Attendees will leave with practical tools and a clearer roadmap to demonstrate that their organisation's AML/CTF framework is embedded, proportionate and capable of responding to real financial-crime risks.

What Participants Will Learn

By the end of this practical masterclass, participants will be able to:

- **Translate the Tranche 2 obligations into action**—understanding what the AML/CTF framework requires from newly regulated businesses and how to prioritise implementation activities.
- **Build an effective, risk-based AML/CTF programme** tailored to the nature, size, services and financial-crime risks of their business—not a generic "tick-box" policy.
- **Identify and assess money-laundering, terrorism-financing and proliferation-financing risks** across clients, services, delivery channels, geographic exposure and transaction types.
- **Apply customer due diligence in real client matters,** including verifying customer identity, understanding beneficial ownership and control, assessing purpose and intended nature of business relationships, and managing higher-risk clients.
- **Recognise red flags and respond to suspicious activity,** including how to escalate concerns internally, document decisions and prepare high-quality suspicious matter reports where required.
- **Establish practical procedures for ongoing monitoring, record keeping and reporting** that can be applied consistently by frontline teams and compliance personnel.
- **Clarify governance and accountability,** including the role of senior management, the AML/CTF compliance officer, staff training, oversight and programme review.
- **Test whether controls work in practice** through scenarios, case studies and effectiveness measures—helping participants move from policy implementation to demonstrable compliance outcomes.
- **Develop a clear post-masterclass action plan** to address gaps, assign responsibilities and embed AML/CTF obligations into everyday operations.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The AML/ CTF forum is produced for a diverse audience to ensure comprehensive discussions and knowledge sharing. Below are the key groups that should attend:

1.Compliance Professionals: Individuals responsible for ensuring adherence to AML/CTF regulations within their organizations.

2. Financial Institution Representatives: Executives and managers from banks, credit unions, and other financial services companies.

3. Legal: Lawyers specialising in financial law, compliance, and regulatory matters.

4.Risk Management Specialists: Professionals focused on identifying and mitigating risks related to money laundering and terrorism financing.

5. Regulatory Officials: Representatives from government bodies overseeing AML/CTF compliance.

6.Technology Providers: Executives from fintech and software companies offering AML/CTF solutions and innovations.

7. Academics and Researchers: Scholars studying financial crime, regulatory frameworks, and compliance strategies.

8.Industry Associations: Members from relevant industry groups and associations focused on financial services and compliance.

9. Corporate Executives: Leaders from industries prone to financial crime, including:
real estate, gaming, and precious metals.

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