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PROFESSIONAL TRAINING COURSE

Course No. 1094

Trade-Based Money Laundering

TRADE FINANCE & INTERNATIONAL BANKING
FINANCE, INVESTMENT & BANKING

DURATION
5 Days

DELIVERY
Classroom

LOCATION
Rome, Italy

DATES
14 – 18 Dec 2026

Scheduled Event Details

CITY	Rome, Italy
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DELIVERY TYPE	Classroom
COURSE FEE	€5,800

Course Overview

Trade-Based Money Laundering is a comprehensive professional training course designed to equip banking professionals, compliance specialists, financial crime investigators, trade finance practitioners, and regulatory authorities with the advanced knowledge and practical skills required to identify, assess, prevent, and investigate Trade-Based Money Laundering (TBML) risks. As international trade continues to expand and become more complex, financial institutions face increasing regulatory expectations to detect suspicious trade transactions and strengthen controls against financial crime.

The course provides participants with an in-depth understanding of Trade-Based Money Laundering methodologies, typologies, and emerging financial crime techniques used to disguise the proceeds of illegal activities through international trade transactions. Participants will examine trade finance products, documentary credits, documentary collections, open account trade, bank guarantees, invoices, shipping documents, customs declarations, pricing manipulation, over-invoicing, under-invoicing, multiple invoicing, false shipments, and phantom transactions. The program focuses on practical methods for detecting suspicious trade activities and implementing effective risk mitigation controls.

The program further explores the integration of Trade-Based Money Laundering prevention with Anti-Money Laundering (AML), Counter-Terrorist Financing (CTF), sanctions compliance, Know Your Customer (KYC), Customer Due Diligence (CDD), Enhanced Due Diligence (EDD), Trade Finance Operations, Enterprise Risk Management, Regulatory Compliance, Financial Crime Prevention, Data Analytics, Financial Technology (FinTech), and digital monitoring solutions. Participants will strengthen their ability to identify red flags, investigate suspicious activities, improve regulatory compliance, and support effective financial crime risk management.

Through interactive workshops, trade transaction analysis, document examination exercises, financial crime case studies, investigation simulations, sanctions screening activities, and practical implementation workshops, participants will develop the expertise required to detect, investigate, and prevent Trade-Based Money Laundering effectively. By the end of the course, participants will be equipped to strengthen compliance frameworks, improve transaction monitoring, enhance operational controls, reduce financial crime risks, and protect the integrity of their organizations and the international financial system.

Objectives

- Analyze Trade-Based Money Laundering concepts and evaluate their impact on international trade, financial institutions, and regulatory compliance by the end of the course.
- Develop effective frameworks for identifying, assessing, and mitigating Trade-Based Money Laundering risks.
- Evaluate common TBML typologies, trade manipulation techniques, and emerging financial crime threats.
- Apply international AML, CTF, sanctions, and trade finance best practices to combat Trade-Based Money Laundering.
- Design effective transaction monitoring and document examination procedures for trade finance operations.
- Improve decision-making through risk-based investigation techniques and financial crime analysis.
- Strengthen governance through AML controls, sanctions compliance, KYC, CDD, EDD, and enterprise risk management practices.
- Implement Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and Key Risk Indicators (KRIs) to monitor compliance effectiveness and financial crime risk exposure.
- Assess the role of FinTech, artificial intelligence, data analytics, and digital monitoring technologies in detecting Trade-Based Money Laundering.
- Align Trade-Based Money Laundering controls with enterprise compliance strategies, trade finance operations, regulatory expectations, and sustainable organizational growth before course completion.

Who Should Attend

This course is designed for AML Managers, Compliance Officers, Financial Crime Investigators, Trade Finance Managers, Trade Operations Specialists, Corporate Banking Managers, Risk Managers, Internal Auditors, Sanctions Specialists, KYC Analysts, CDD and EDD Professionals, Treasury Managers, Regulatory Affairs Professionals, Financial Intelligence Specialists, Fraud Prevention Officers, and professionals responsible for trade finance compliance and financial crime prevention.

The program is equally valuable for professionals working in central banks, financial intelligence units, regulatory authorities, customs administrations, law enforcement agencies, government organizations, multinational corporations, import and export companies, logistics providers, financial institutions, consulting firms, and decision-makers responsible for financial crime prevention, trade compliance, enterprise risk management, and international trade governance.

Learning Outcomes

- By the end of this course, participants will be able to:
- Identify Trade-Based Money Laundering risks across international trade transactions.
- Detect common TBML typologies and suspicious trade finance activities using risk-based approaches.
- Apply AML, CTF, sanctions, KYC, CDD, and EDD requirements to trade finance operations.
- Examine trade documentation and identify inconsistencies that may indicate financial crime.
- Strengthen transaction monitoring, internal controls, and compliance frameworks.
- Utilize KPIs, KRIs, and risk assessment methodologies to evaluate compliance effectiveness.
- Integrate digital monitoring tools, data analytics, and FinTech solutions into TBML detection programs.
- Conduct effective investigations into suspicious trade finance activities.
- Advise management on strengthening Trade-Based Money Laundering prevention strategies and regulatory compliance.
- Develop a practical implementation roadmap that enhances governance, strengthens compliance, improves financial crime detection, reduces operational and regulatory risks, and supports sustainable international trade operations.

Course Outline

DAY 01

Foundations of Trade-Based Money Laundering

- Introduction to Trade-Based Money Laundering (TBML)
- Global trade finance environment and financial crime risks
- Common TBML typologies and methodologies
- International regulatory expectations and standards

PRACTICAL APPLICATION OR DISCUSSION

Identifying TBML vulnerabilities in trade transactions

DAY 02

Trade Finance Operations and Financial Crime Detection

- Trade finance products and associated AML risks
- Trade documentation analysis and verification
- Invoice manipulation and pricing abuse techniques
- Red flags and suspicious transaction indicators

PRACTICAL APPLICATION OR DISCUSSION

Examining trade documents to identify TBML risks

DAY 03

Compliance, Investigations, and Risk Assessment

- AML, CTF, sanctions, KYC, CDD, and EDD in trade finance
- Risk-based customer and transaction assessments
- Financial crime investigations and reporting
- Internal controls and governance frameworks

DAY 03 — CONTINUED

> **PRACTICAL APPLICATION OR DISCUSSION**
>
> Investigating a Trade-Based Money Laundering case

DAY 04

Technology and Performance Management

- Financial Technology (FinTech) in AML monitoring
- Artificial Intelligence and data analytics for TBML detection
- Transaction monitoring systems and digital surveillance
- Performance measurement using KPIs and KRIs

> **PRACTICAL APPLICATION OR DISCUSSION**
>
> Designing a TBML monitoring framework

DAY 05

Strategic Trade Finance Compliance

- Building an enterprise TBML prevention strategy
- Strengthening compliance culture and governance
- Emerging trends and future financial crime challenges
- Continuous improvement in trade finance compliance

> **FINAL WORKSHOP**
>
> Developing a comprehensive Trade-Based Money Laundering implementation roadmap that includes TBML risk assessment, transaction monitoring, trade document verification, AML and CTF controls, sanctions compliance, KYC, CDD, EDD, digital monitoring technologies, KPI and KRI measurement, governance enhancement, investigation procedures, and continuous improvement initiatives to strengthen financial crime prevention, improve regulatory compliance, reduce operational and reputational risks, and support secure international trade operations.

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