



Anti-Money Laundering for the Judiciary, Law Enforcement and Criminal Defence

EU Legislative Proposals, Cryptoassets, Asset Recovery and Confiscation

Trier & Online, 23-24 May 2024



EXCELLENCE IN
EUROPEAN LAW

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Key topics

- The EU's new legislative proposals on a single rulebook, EU-level supervisor and EU coordination and support mechanism for FIUs, as well as developments since their publication
- Measures aimed at protecting the financial system against money-laundering and terrorist financing, also in relation to cryptocurrencies
- Best practice in detecting and deterring illicit transactions and lessons learnt from recent money-laundering cases
- The framework to enhance cooperation among FIUs and enhance cross-border cooperation amongst the judiciary and law enforcement
- Asset recovery and confiscation

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English

Event number
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Organiser
Ramin Farinpour (ERA)



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Anti-Money Laundering for the Judiciary, Law Enforcement and Criminal Defence

Thursday, 23 May 2024

08:30 Arrival and registration of participants / connecting time for online participants

09:00 **Opening of the seminar**
Ramin Farinpour

I. LATEST DEVELOPMENTS AT EU LEVEL

Chair: Ramin Farinpour

09:05 **Update on the latest trends and threats**

- European Financial and Economic Crime Threat Assessment 2023
- AML typologies and trends
- Enhancing the exploitation of financial intelligence and assisting with investigations and the recovery of criminal assets
- Virtual assets: recommendations for crypto assets-related crime and money laundering
- Europol Financial Intelligence Public Private Partnership (EFIPPP)

Alexander Resch

09:45 Discussion

10:00 **Update on the European Commission's AML/CFT package**

- Overview of the legislative proposals leading up to final adoption in 2024
- Updates and evolution of the package
- The way ahead

Viktor Ivanov

10:30 Discussion

10:45 Coffee break

11:15 **Eurojust's role in assisting with the countering of money laundering and the financing of terrorism**

- Latest trends and actions, predicate crimes
- Insights into money-laundering casework and the Eurojust Report on Money Laundering
- Cooperation with law enforcement, FIUs, third countries and the FATF
- Asset recovery and confiscation (also within the context of EU restrictive measures)
- Case studies (Joint Investigation Teams, Action Days, etc.)

Susana Fonte

12:00 Discussion

12:15 **The European Public Prosecutor's Office's work in protecting European taxpayers' money from criminals**

- Analysis of cases within the context of money laundering and VAT fraud (PIF crimes)
- Cooperation with OLAF and other relevant institutional stakeholders
- Insights from the CJEU's ruling on the EPPO's approach to cross-border investigations
- The involvement of and cooperation with lawyers in investigations

Gabriel Seixas

12:45 Discussion

13:00 Lunch

II. LATEST DEVELOPMENTS AND CHALLENGES

Chair: Ramin Farinpour

14:00 **Insights into the supervision of financial markets**

- EBA guidelines: ML/TF risk factors, cooperation and information exchange among various supervisors and FIUs, risk-based supervision, customer due diligence
- EuReCA: the EU's central database for anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing and reporting system for material CFT/AML weaknesses
- Challenges in relation to cryptocurrencies and FinTechs: is a change in approach necessary in the wake of the FTX and binance scandals?
- Whistleblowing, cooperation with FIUs and other national authorities

Mathilde Girard

14:30 Discussion

14:45 **Challenges faced by FIUs in investigating money laundering**

- Reporting by and cooperation with obliged entities, access to and search of bank account information and other sources of illicit transactions, cryptoassets
- Exchange of information with competent authorities and other FIUs
- Beneficial ownership and sanctions compliance
- Harnessing technology for financial crime prevention

Roberts Dūdiņš

15:30 Discussion

Objective

This hybrid seminar will address the current European anti-money laundering landscape and focus on the changes implemented since the adoption of the fourth, fifth and sixth Anti-Money Laundering Directives and the new Directive on enhancing FIU cooperation and access to financial information.

It will highlight the developments since the latest EU legislative AML/CFT proposals on a single rulebook, EU-level supervisor and EU coordination and support mechanism for FIUs. It will also look at national challenges and actions that have been taken to address money-laundering and terrorist financing, with a particular focus on the role of competent authorities, law enforcement, the judiciary and criminal defence lawyers.

Who should attend?

Judges, prosecutors, law enforcement officers, lawyers, government officials and FIUs

What participants liked last year

"Update my knowledge on AML especially EU initiatives"

"The high quality of the presentation and professionalism with which the event has been organised"

"The speakers have been excellent as well"

"All presentations met my approval along with the organisation of the event"



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Venue

Face-to-face:
ERA Conference Centre, Trier

Online:
Zoom

Hybrid format

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- 15:45 Coffee break
- 16:15 **AML and criminal defence: challenges in an evolving regulatory framework**
- Customer due diligence, beneficial ownership, obliged entities
 - Legal privilege
 - Whistleblowing, internal investigations, sanctions compliance
- Dirce Rente*
- 16:45 Discussion
- 17:00 **Money laundering from a prosecutorial perspective**
- Practical challenges and issues in court proceedings
 - Enforcement actions against gatekeepers of the financial system
 - Case law on seizure of bitcoins, self-laundering, ML methods of proof without predicate offences
 - Asset recovery and confiscation
- Anita van Dis-Setz*
- 17:45 Discussion
- 18:00 End of first seminar day
- 19:00 Guided tour of the city of Trier and dinner for face-to-face participants

Friday, 24 May 2024

- 08:30 Arrival and registration of participants / connecting time for online participants
- 09:00 **Dealing with money laundering cases in court: recent challenges and practice in the UK and EU**
- Money-laundering, freezing orders, confiscation and unexplained wealth orders
- Michael Hopmeier*
- 09:45 Discussion
- 10:00 **Novelties in the field of cryptoassets and how to effectively investigate them**
- Unlawful use of cryptoassets and money laundering
 - Identification, intelligence and evidence-gathering, seizure and confiscation
 - Cooperation between crypto exchanges and investigating authorities
- Federico Paesano*
- 10:45 Discussion
- 11:00 Coffee break

III. ASSET RECOVERY AND CONFISCATION

Chair: Ramin Farinpour

- 11:30 **Latest insights into asset recovery and confiscation**
- Latest trends and actions on tracing, clamping down on and recovering criminal funds and assets
 - Management and disposal of frozen and confiscated assets
 - Sanctions against Russian entities and oligarchs, cross-border cooperation
- An Raes*
- 12:15 Discussion
- 12:30 **Insights from project FORCE: guidance on freezing and confiscation procedures and the correct application of Regulation (EU) 2018/1805 on the mutual recognition of confiscation and freezing orders**
- Common practical standards and recommendations for legal authorities
- Mariyan Sabev*
- 13:15 Discussion
- 13:30 End of seminar and light lunch

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- The supranational fight against money laundering
- The preventive ML/TF regulatory framework

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