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An Effective AML/CFT Risk Oversight for Directors

LIVE | ONLINE | MQA Approval Ref NAW 3571

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Duration 4 hours | Participation Rs 9,800 | CPD 4 hours

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Course background

Money Laundering (ML) and Terrorism Financing (TF) risks are global. To deal with these, the International Community has set up a Financial Action Task Force (FATF) with many regional groups. Mauritius being member of Eastern and Southern Africa Anti-Money Laundering Action Group (ESAAMLAG) is regularly evaluated over its level of compliance to the FATF recommendations.

Financial Institutions are the most frequently used channels for ML and TF and their employees are considered to be first line of defense against ML and TF risks. They have an obligation to ensure that such employees have the required level of awareness to be capable of identifying such risks and initiate necessary actions as required under AML/CFT regulations and company policy.

Directors have the overall responsibility of AML-CFT risk assessment, establishing a compliance culture and control environment in the organization. There can be no better starting point than understanding and supporting effectively the front liners. The objective of this training is to equip directors accordingly.

Program Objectives and Learning Outcomes

The course provides the essential understanding of

- Concept of Money Laundering (ML) and Terrorism Financing (TF)
- Typologies and case studies of ML and TF
- Key Considerations for Directors to adopt a Risk Based Approach
- Key Decisions while implementing Customer Due Diligence process
- Review of Transaction Monitoring System
- Monitoring efficiency of compliance function
- Implications of non-compliance

Who Should Attend

The program will benefit directors, managers and professionals who are responsible for AML-CFT risk assessment and for establishing a sound compliance culture in the organization.

Program Methodology

The program will be an instructor-led live virtual classroom training with inter active sessions to encourage active participation. The program is enriched with the inclusion of practical exercises and real -world case-studies.

Program Duration

The program is conducted over 4 hours to cover four modules as detailed below.

At the end of the course participants will be provided with appropriate links to access the presentation slides as well as a voluntary one hour test to help them asses how beneficial the training has been.

Detailed Course Contents

Session 1		
Module 1	An Effective Compliance Framework	
	Importance of setting the tone at the top	
	Overview of AML-CFT regime in Mauritius	
	Role of board of directors	
	Corporate governance (as per AML-CFT Handbook)	
Module 2	Understanding regulatory expectations	
	Overview and Key Focus Areas & Key Decisions for Directors with respect to:	
	Risk based approach	
	Customer due diligence requirements	
	Transaction monitoring and reporting	
	Record keeping requirements	
	Management of AML/CFT compliance function	
	How regulators assess compliance	
	(Note: The above points would be covered in accordance with the Mauritian regulations)	
Session 2		
Module 3	Monitoring the compliance	
	 Monitoring – Asking the right questions 	
	Risk based compliance strategy for three lines of defence	
	 Monitoring of three lines of defence against ML and TF 	
	Setting-up and monitoring Compliance function	
	Policies and procedures	
	Implementation of technology	

	 Reporting mechanism Key Performance Indicators of Compliance Department Independent audit
Module 4	Implications of non-compliance
	 Overview of offences under Money-Laundering regulations
	Implications of non-compliances
	Potential Liabilities for Directors

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