## AML Tuesday's Session #8 on:

Effective AML/CFT Governance Framework

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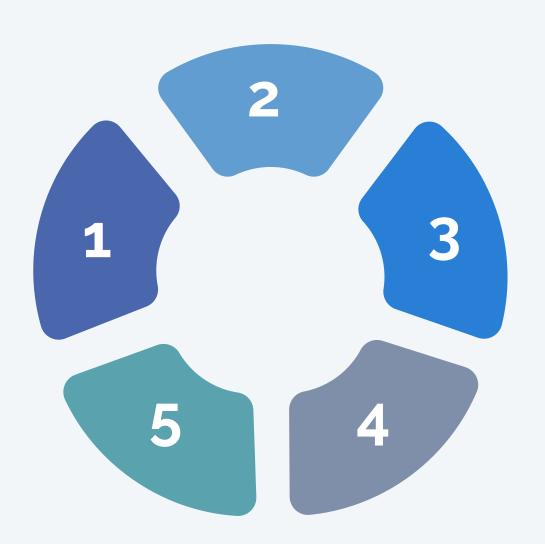


## **Key Blocks of AML/CFT Framework**





#### **AML/CFT Governance**



#### Tone at the Top

Management Board Supervisory Board

#### 3 lines of Defense

Responsibility for ML/TF Risk management shared between First, Second, and Third Lines

#### **Compliance Function**

Independence
Resources
Access to Information

## **Qualified Compliance**Professionals

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## AML/CFT Governance - Tone at the Top

The leadership of a company's management and board of directors, as well as their commitment to being honest and ethical

The tone at the top establishes the cultural environment and corporate values of a company

"Tone at the top" as a preventive initiative to establish the right governance and culture in organizations

The term "tone at the top" refers to an organization's overall ethical climate established by the board of directors and senior management.

The lack of an adequate control environment and corporate governance contribute to non-compliance and widespread violations

#### Non Compliant behavior

- Non-compliant behavior without specific intention,
- Non-compliant behavior to benefit the organization, and
- Non-compliant behavior to benefit oneself.



## **AML/CFT Governance - Tone at the Top**

Lead By Example

Communicating and Promoting Ethics and Values

Reporting and Transparency

Reward Integrity



## **AML/CFT Governance -Board Engagement**

## Roles and Responsibilities

Responsibility for the establishment and management of AML/CFT policies, procedures, systems and controls.

#### **Board Meetings**

AML/CFT discussions take place at Board meetings and are evidenced in minutes



#### **Board Reporting**

MI and CO reports provided to the Board include sufficient quantitative and qualitative data provide an informed view the on performance of the functions carried out and an understanding of risks and trends

## ML/TF Risk Management

Active engagement in the monitoring and management of ML/TF risk



## AML/CFT Governance Examples of Board Engagement

Adoption of AML/CFT Policies

Adoption of Business Risk Assessment

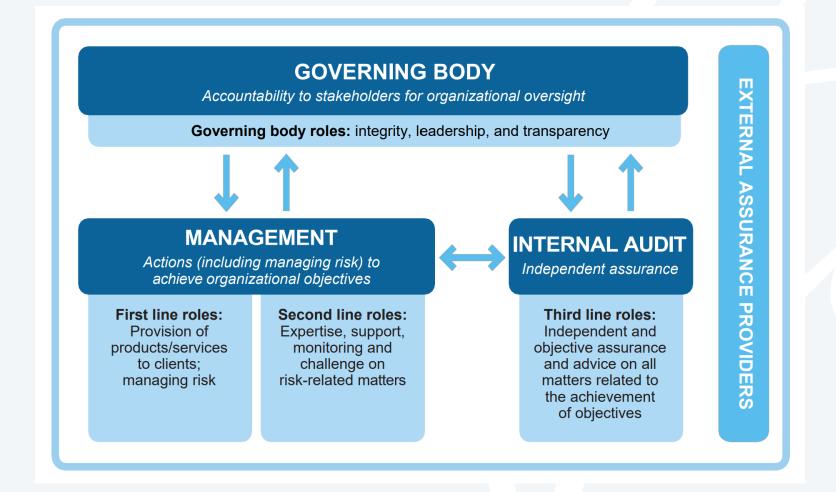
Board Reporting on ML/TF risks

Approval of High Risk Customers

Exit Relationships with High risk Customers



### AML/CFT Governance - Three Lines of Defense





## **AML/CFT Governance - Three Lines of Defense**

Risk Governance			
Assurance Providers	3rd LINE OF DEFENSE	<ul> <li>RISK PROCESS AND CONTENT Monitoring</li> <li>Liaise with senior management and/or board</li> <li>Rationalize and systematize risk assessment and governance reporting</li> <li>Provide oversight on risk-management content/processes, followed by second line of defense (as practical)</li> <li>Provide assurance that risk-management processes are adequate and appropriate</li> </ul>	Assurance Providers
Standard Setters	2 <sup>nd</sup> LINE OF DEFENSE	<ul> <li>RISK PROCESS Accountability</li> <li>Establish policy and process for risk management</li> <li>Strategic link for the enterprise in terms of risk</li> <li>Provide guidance and coordination among all constituencies</li> <li>Identify enterprise trends, synergies, and opportunities for change</li> <li>Initiate change, integration, operationalization of new events</li> <li>Liaison between third line of defense and first line of defense</li> <li>Oversight over certain risk areas (e.g., credit, market) and in terms of certain enterprise objectives (e.g., compliance with regulation)</li> </ul>	Standard Setters
Business Owners	1 <sup>st</sup> LINE OF DEFENSE	RISK CONTENT Accountability  - Manage risks/implement actions to manage and treat risk  - Comply with risk-management process  - Implement risk-management processes where applicable  - Execute risk assessments and identify emerging risk	Business Owners







## **AML/CFT Governance - Compliance Function**



#### **FUNCTION**

Advice, Guidance, Monitoring, Testing, Regulatory Point of Contact





Responsible for compliance with AML/CFT obligations



#### **Expertise**

AML/CFT
Experience
Regulatory Context

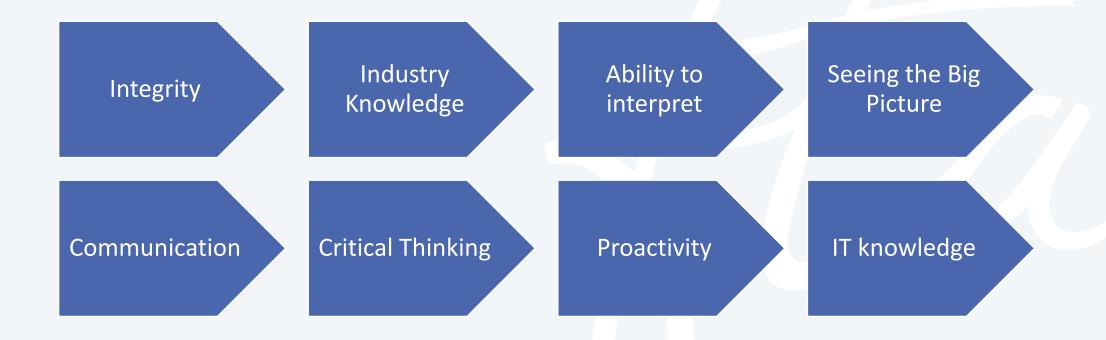
#### Reporting

Reporting to senior management and Supervisory Board



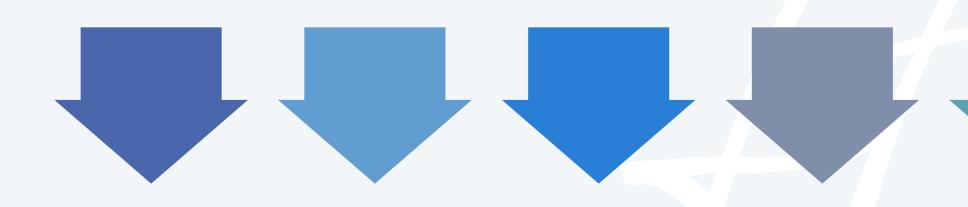


### **AML/CFT Governance - Qualified Professionals**





## Risk Understanding



Assessing Risks BRA

Risk Mitigation Risk Response Clear Risk Appetite and Customer Acceptance Policies RBA Policy **Customer Risk Assessment** 

Enhanced Due
Diligence Measures
aligned with Risk



## Why BRA is Crucial

Making informed decisions

Mitigation of Risks

Managing Reputational and Financial Impact

**Business Continuity** 



### AML/CFT Policies and Procedures

AML/CFT Policy

Risk Based Approach

Operational Level Procedures

Sanctions Policy

KYC - Customer Acceptance
Procedure
Transaction Monitoring
Sanctions Alert Management
Risk modification procedure
Record Keeping
Exist Procedure



### AML/CFT Policies and Procedures

Must be reviewed and updated regularly

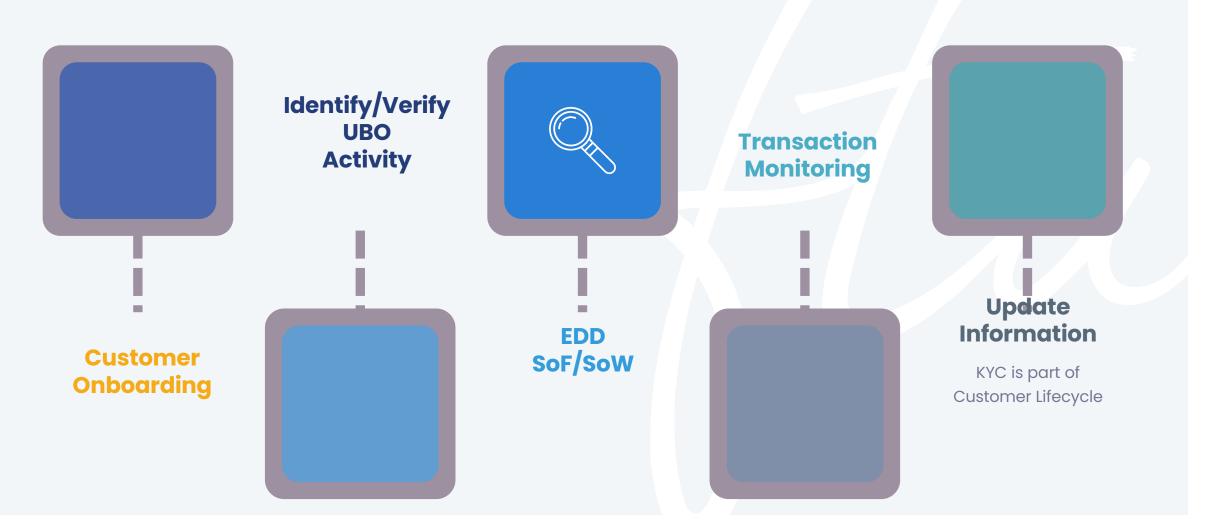
Must be approved by the Board

Must be readily available to all staff who are expected to abide by these procedures

Must comply with all legal and regulatory requirements

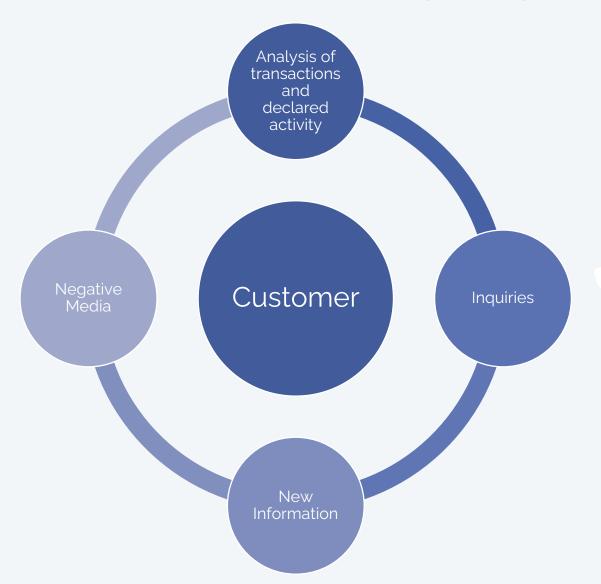


## **Key Elements - KYC**





## Ongoing Monitoring



KYC should be conducted through customer life cycle

Clear Timeframes of periodic CDD review and update of Information



## **KYC and Record Keeping**

Records must be sufficient, detailed and of good quality

Records, documents, information and data, both domestic and international

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Records shall contain information regarding customer, transaction, analysis conducted

Policies and Procedures must contain detail on the record keeping requirements in line with the AML/CFT Law

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#### **TF Sanctions Controls**

#### **Customers**

Customer Screening during onboarding and screening of customer data base.

The geographic locations of the customer, as well as its customers, supply chain, intermediaries, and counterparties.

Screening of UBO's and entities in the ownership structure.



#### **Transactions**

Screening of Transactions, purpose, objective, any red flags.

Analyzing products and services offered.

Analyzing supply chain, intermediaries, and counterparties;



## **AML/CFT Key Tools**

**Customer Risk Assessment** 

1

PEP
Sanctions
Negative Media
Corporate Structure

2



**Transaction Monitoring** 



**Training** 



## **AML/CFT Training**

Training records should be maintained showing who received the training, date of training, nature of training received and outcome of training

Training content must be reviewed and updated on an regular basis to ensure it remains appropriate

Training must be on-going and specific to the role carried out by that particular employee

Training must be relevant to the entities business activities

Entities exposed to a higher level of ML/TF risk or have greater exposure to constantly evolving ML/TF risks should provide training at more regular intervals if necessary





## Thank you for your time

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## Next Session: 16 April, 2024

# Topic: Conducting Business Risk Assessment

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