AML EDGE

2025

From Anxiety to Action
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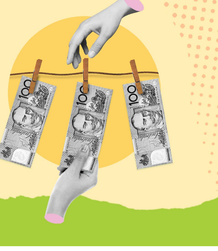
Watersedge, Sydney



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PROGRAM

8:30 AM | Caffeinate and Connect

9:00am – 9:10am | Why are you here?
Hopefully because you're invested in (albeit slightly anxious about) what the tranche 2 AML/CTF reforms mean for your business and what you need to do to be ready. Buckle up and our host Nathan will give you some solid reasons why these reforms matter and prep you for the day ahead.
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9:10am – 9:30am | AUSTRAC - State of Play
- What is the current state of Australia's AML/CTF reform landscape?
- How will AUSTRAC's ongoing policy and reform agenda impact tranche 2 businesses?
- What should organisations prioritise as Australia approaches the FATF Mutual Evaluation deadline?

Daniel Mossop, A/g Deputy CEO, Regulation, AUSTRAC

9:30am – 10:15am | The road to tranche 2
- Why is Tranche 2 being introduced, and what problem is it solving?
- What risks do legal, accounting, and real estate sectors pose for financial crime - and why are regulators now taking action?
- What are the key deadlines, and how much time do businesses really have to prepare?
- What should firms be doing right now to avoid compliance headaches later?
- How will Tranche 2 impact day-to-day operations?

Moderator: Jeremy Moller, Senior Advisor - Risk Advisory, Norton Rose Fulbright
Neil Jeans, Partner – Risk Consulting, Grant Thornton Australia
Dr Mark Zirnsak, Expert Advisor, Transparency International Australia
Sue Bradford, Partner - Risk Consulting | Forensic, KPMG

10:15am - 10:45am | What You Need to Know: Drafting a Risk Assessment and Designing an AML/CTF Program
- What is the relationship between a risk assessment and designing a program?
- What factors - nature, size, and complexity - will influence your risk profile?
- What existing resources can help you get started?
- What client data do you need to collect to help guide risk assessments and why should you start today?

Grace Mason, Partner - Financial Crime, KordaMentha
Amy Bell, Founder, AML Sorted (AU), Teal Compliance & Teal Legal (UK) | Chair, England and Wales Law Society's Economic Crime Task Force

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10:45am – 11:15am | What is the actual role of an AML/CTF compliance officer?
- What are the key responsibilities of an AML/CTF Compliance Officer under Tranche 2?
- How does the role balance regulatory obligations with business operations?
- What common challenges does the role face and how can you overcome them?
- How can compliance officers drive a culture of risk awareness and accountability without creating roadblocks?

Moderator: Sophie Watson, Recruitment Lead: Compliance & Financial Crime Risk, TOM Executive
Sonja Marsic, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright
Stefanie von Westphalen, Head of Financial Crime / MLRO, ING Australia

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11:15am – 11:40am | Caffeinate (verb): to get caffeine or to provide caffeine to (someone) by means of a caffeinated beverage (such as coffee)

11:40am – 1:25pm |
Choose your corner - practical strategies for compliance per sector

11:40am – 12:20pm | ACCOUNTING | How to adapt to AML/CTF compliance
- Why are accountants now captured under AML/CTF laws, and what does it mean for your practice?
- What are the core compliance requirements - KYC, risk assessments, reporting, and record-keeping?
- What due diligence measures are required for clients and transactions?
- How do you effectively report suspicious activity and maintain compliance records?
- How can firms balance compliance obligations with client relationships and business operations?
- What are the biggest regulatory grey areas, and how can accountants navigate them?

Moderator: Agnieszka Szczepanik, Founder & MD, LYRA Risk & Compliance
Sachin Patel, Senior Principal, IBM Promontory
Luke Raven, Founder & Principal Consultant, Raven AML

11:40am – 12:20pm | LEGAL | AML/CTF compliance - what do law firms need to do?
- What does money laundering look like for the legal profession?
- What are the challenges you should be prepared for?
- What mindset shift needs to happen with your organisation on the compliance journey?
- What can you learn from international case studies?

Moderator: Gary Hughes (NZ), Barrister, Britomart Chambers & Chair of International Bar Association AML/ Sanctions Experts Committee
Carol Prasad, Professional Support Solicitor (AML), Law Society of NSW
Dr Anton Moiseienko, Senior Lecturer / Research Director, Australian National University Law School

11:40am – 12:20pm | REAL ESTATE | How money launderers exploit real estate, why it matters and how the AML reforms can help turn compliance into a business advantage
- How has real estate been exploited for money laundering, and what lessons can be learned from real-world cases?
- What's the big deal? Commercial, reputation and integrity risks...
- What are the key timelines, and what problems do the new rules aim to fix?
- Does size matter? How will the reforms impact small businesses, franchises, and national firms differently?
- Workload, expenses, fines - what's the real cost?

Moderator: Andrew Jackson, Managing Director, Allies of Finance
Grace Mason, Partner - Financial Crime, KordaMentha
Tamara Davies, Head of Ethics & Compliance Pacific, CBRE

12:20pm – 1:00pm ACCOUNTING | Learning the lessons of other jurisdictions
- Why is the ML/TF Risk Assessment the foundation of an effective AML/CTF program and how can accounting firms make theirs practical and fit for purpose?
- Documents are only part of the story. Why implementation is just as critical - and what happens if you get it wrong?
- How do AU reforms tie proliferation financing risks to your sanctions compliance framework and what controls should your accounting practice have in place to mitigate these risks?
- What lessons can you learn from overseas cases where businesses have faced penalties?

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Gail Carter, Executive Director - Financial Crime, KordaMentha
Timothy Goodrick, Director - Forensic, KPMG
Alice Bexson, First Secretary - Illicit Finance Policy, British High Commission

12:20pm – 1:00pm | LEGAL | AML/CTF technology and processes: What should law firms start doing now?
- How can law firms leverage technology to streamline AML/CTF compliance without disrupting client service?
- What can we learn from NZ and UK's rollout – what worked, and what didn't?
- With no one-size-fits-all solution, how should law firms assess and implement the right RegTech tools for their practice?
- Integrated vs external solutions – is integrated actually better?

Moderator: Jerome Doraisamy, Editor, Lawyers Weekly
Toby Taylor, GM, Australia, APLYID
Amy Bell, Founder, AML Sorted (AU), Teal Compliance & Teal Legal (UK) | Chair, England and Wales Law Society's Economic Crime Task Force
Dr Giulia Dondoli, Founder & Principal Consultant, Total AML

12:20pm – 1:00pm | REAL ESTATE | Practical steps to comply without paralysing your business
- What are the essential AML/CTF requirements for real estate, and where should you start?
- How do you build a risk-based approach that works for your agency - without overcomplicating processes?
- How can agencies integrate compliance without slowing down sales and property management?
- What are the most common compliance missteps real estate businesses make - and how can you avoid them?
- What's next? How to future-proof your agency as AML/CTF compliance continues to evolve

Moderator: Andrew Jackson, Managing Director, Allies of Finance
Jeremy Moller, Senior Advisor – Risk Advisory, Norton Rose Fulbright
Chris Nicholl, CEO, Raine & Horne

1:00pm – 1:25pm | Ask us anything
Our Ask Us Anything sessions give you direct access to industry experts who can tackle your toughest AML/CTF compliance challenges. Come prepared with your questions or just listen in - either way, this is your chance to get expert guidance and clarity on the issues that matter most to your business.

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1:25pm – 2:15pm | Lunch
Refuel your stomach and rest your brain.

2:15pm – 3:00pm | No sector is an island
- How can collaboration and collective action ease the regulatory pain?
- What role do professional associations, regulators, solutions providers and industry groups play in streamlining AML/CTF requirements?
- How can shared intelligence and best practices improve risk assessments and compliance strategies?
- What are the risks of a siloed approach, and how can businesses work together to stay ahead of evolving threats?

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Andrew Conway, CEO, Institute of Public Accountants
Bobbie Wan, Head of Regulatory Policy & Strategy, Law Society of NSW
Nick Boudrie, Co-Founder & CEO, LAB Group

3:00pm – 3:20pm | Leveraging RegTech solutions and driving innovation in AML/CTF
- What is RegTech's significance for AML/CTF compliance?
- What opportunities and challenges does RegTech present?
- Practical tips and strategies for implementing RegTech solutions

Sophie Jaggard, Principal, RegFlex

3:20pm – 4:05pm | The final countdown: Demystifying AML/CTF regulation, FATF and what it means for you
- What is the FATF and why is Australia under the microscope now?
- How will Tranche 2 entities be assessed, and what's the regulator really looking for?
- What lessons can be learned from the global stage?
- Getting your house in order - what actions should businesses take now to avoid last-minute panic when September's guidance lands (without wasting time and resources)?

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4:05pm – 4:15pm | Host wrap-up and next steps
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4:15pm – 5:15pm | Unwind, debate, collaborate
Wrap up the inaugural **AML Edge 2025** with some F&B, connect with speakers and other attendees and take a minute to digest the day before springing into action tomorrow.