A training programme for Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) analysts

COURSE OVERVIEW

GPML’s Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) Analyst Course provides in-depth training to national FIU analysts in the current methods and practices used to develop and analyse financial intelligence. The training coursework focuses on the identification and analysis of suspicious transactions related to possible money-laundering and the financing of terrorism.

Participants are taught analytical techniques and how to write effective and accurate intelligence reports. They learn how intelligence is collected and from what sources, and what tools are used to develop financial intelligence.

The course also aims to address the relationship between the FIU and the national agencies responsible for the investigation of money-laundering and the financing of terrorism with the goal of ensuring the FIU is able to provide high-quality and usable information to these agencies.

Participants learn methods and practical skills which they take back into their workplaces to employ and share. This training is part of GMPL’s strategy to provide sustainable technical assistance to facilitate enhanced national capacity and coordination in combating money-laundering and countering the financing of terrorism, as well as to further the overall implementation of effective national AML/CFT regimes in Member States.

Training outcomes

Participants will have the opportunity to:

• Gain new knowledge relating to the functions of a FIU;
• Reinforce and build upon past experiences in financial analysis;
• Learn how to access information and conduct analysis;
• Understand how to prepare a clear, effective and accurate intelligence reports;
• Network with FIU experts and professionals in related fields of work.

Course content

• Sources of information available to a FIU
• Strategies for open source collection
• Evaluation of information
• Prioritizing suspicious transaction reports
• Structured analytical techniques
• Link charting
• Report writing
• Information technology for the analyst
• International cooperation

Duration

5 days

Target audience

FIU analysts and national trainers involved in developing the skills of financial analysts.

NB: Ideally participants should be performing the role of analyst in an FIU or be expected to perform such a role in the near future; or be a trainer/future trainer of FIU analysts.
ABOUT GPML

The Global Programme against Money Laundering, Proceeds of Crime and the Financing of Terrorism (GPML) assists Member States in implementing the various anti-money laundering and counter-finance of terrorism (AML/CFT) provisions contained in the 1988 United Nations Drug Convention, the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, the United Nations Convention against Corruption and relevant United Nations resolutions, such as Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001), as well as other international AML/CFT requirements.

GPML’s primary goal is to assist Member States via their legal, financial, law enforcement and judicial authorities in developing effective and comprehensive domestic AML/CFT legal and regulatory frameworks, as well as the institutional infrastructures and practitioner skills needed to implement them. GPML is further committed to promoting national coordination and regional and international cooperation on issues concerning money-laundering and terrorism financing.

GPML fulfills its mandate principally through technical cooperation and capacity-building for requesting Member States, the provision of in-depth training to national administrations and private sector actors dealing with AML/CFT issues, and the development and sharing of AML/CFT information resources, good practices and databases.

GPML has initiated specific products to assist Member States. These deliverables aim to raise awareness of the risks of money-laundering and terrorism financing, build institutional capacities and provide key technical assistance and training—based on current good practice and operational expertise—at the national and regional level. A series of GPML Facts Sheets provide information on the key products offered by GPML.