

**14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND FINANCIAL CRIME CONFERENCE  
TO ADDRESS GLOBAL FINANCIAL CRIME THREATS**

**Responding to the ever-increasing needs of the AML community to stop the financing of terrorism and cybercrime, tactical strategies on mobile payment vulnerabilities, and how to protect financial institutions with strong governance, enterprise-wide due diligence, and unparalleled information sharing!**

**Miami, FL -- August 24, 2015** – Terrorist attacks throughout the globe have escalated the need to find innovative ways to stop illicit funds from being utilized to harm all parts of society. Data breaches in government and major financial institutions and have shown the spotlight on sophisticated cybercriminals overseas. These are just two of the global financial crimes topics to be explored when the Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS) presents the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Financial Crime Conference, September 27 to 30, at Aria in Las Vegas. Nearly 2,000 financial, law enforcement, governmental and related industry professionals will hear from over 160 global thought-leaders at the conference.

“The financial crime landscape changes daily,” said John J. Byrne, Executive Vice President of ACAMS, the largest international organization dedicated to enhancing the knowledge and skills of AML and financial crime professionals. “It’s critical that financial professionals stay up-to-date on the best practices in the AML community. Our sessions provide thorough examination of not only topical issues but delve into essential tactics relevant to every attendee. Whether the conversation is about alarming trends in terrorist financing and human trafficking or compliance challenges like the new beneficial ownership rules, our sessions are rich with practical insights that will fortify AML oversight at any institution.”

**Timely Topics**

Among the timely topics to be addressed at the conference will be **“Waging War on the Financing Methods of ISIS and Other Terrorist Groups”** which will dive into how terrorists utilize countries with weak financial oversight to move money into mainstream institutions and how to spot off-the-grid, lone wolf terrorists. **“Fortifying Compliance Programs to Combat Human Trafficking”** will explore partnering with law enforcement agencies to improve employee expertise and will emphasize how to spot financial

transaction patterns associated with forced labor, migrant smuggling and prostitution rings. New for 2015, an “**Organized Crime Trends**” track will explore how criminals have infiltrated institutions and ATMs, trade-based money laundering and commodity-based money laundering. There will also be three sessions that directly address the specific needs and concerns of money laundering within the casino industry.

The conference’s **Compliance Summit** is a series of sessions designed to address more complex issues with action-oriented advice. Included in the Compliance Summit will be presentations on how to cope with ever-changing marijuana laws, fraud monitoring of cryptocurrencies, money laundering via real estate transactions and mitigating personal liability risk for financial professionals.

The attendees will also receive a Special Presentation from **Roger Wilkins, Former President, Financial Action Task Force (FATF)** and was the Australian Secretary of the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department, a position he held from September 2008 to August 2014. Mr. Wilkins career insight is invaluable for all AML professionals.

On Wednesday of the program, there will be a keynote address delivered by **Timothy J. Delaney, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)**. Closing out the program will be **Andrew N. Keller, Assistant Secretary for Counter Threat Finance and Sanctions, U.S. Department of State** who leads and coordinates the Department's economic sanctions and counter-threat finance efforts.

In addition to the keynote speakers, sessions will be presented by AML leaders from **Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN), PayPal, Department of Homeland Security, E\*Trade, U.S. Department of the Treasury, the New York State Attorney General’s Office**, and many more.

For the third year, the conference will offer an online option that provides real-time access to essential presentations without the expense of travel and out-of-office inefficiency. Key seminars are streamed live and later archived in an online library for on-demand access.

The full conference schedule and registration information are available at [www.acamsglobal.org](http://www.acamsglobal.org) or by calling 305-373-0020.

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To view the complete conference agenda, click: <http://www.acamsglobal.org/2015/program.asp>.

For a list of sessions that will be live-streamed over the Internet, visit: <http://www.acamsglobal.org/2015/virtual.asp>, and click on the "Live Broadcast & Recording Schedule" Link.

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