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Inaugural Advanced Certification Class in Dubai Receives Elite ‘CAMS-Audit’ Anti-Money Laundering Designation

Miami, FL, 23 October 2015 – In April of 2015, ACAMS held its first Advanced Certification program outside of the United States in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. 14 candidates achieved the CAMS-Audit credential by publishing a research whitepaper on the topic of AML audit. The graduates of the program, include:

Lawrence Grant-Lapre, Dubai
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The CAMS-Audit designation is an advanced-level certification and is the first of its kind in the AML and financial crime prevention community. CAMS-Audit equips mid-level and senior management professionals with the essential knowledge that reinforces internal controls and enhances one’s ability to meet regulatory expectations.

In order to become CAMS-Audit certified, candidates must first become a Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist (CAMS). Once accepted into the program, students study, research, and attend pre-class webinars; participate in a three-day live program consisting of lecture, discussion, and group exercises; and finally author a white paper on an approved topic related to the advanced certification.

“Becoming CAMS-Audit certified is a major accomplishment and I applaud the commitment and hard work from the graduates,” says John J. Byrne, CAMS, Executive Vice President at ACAMS. Byrne adds, “Those who receive an advanced certification equip themselves with additional expertise and become an invaluable asset to their institution, firm or agency”

CAMS-Audit was developed by ACAMS, with contribution from AML and financial crime prevention subject matter experts. For more information on CAMS-Audit, prospective candidates may visit www.acams.org.

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