US Capital Chapter’s February 2016 Event
Topic 1: Bitcoin Threat   Topic 2: ISIS Financing

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PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
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Registration: 11:30am   Program: 12 – 2pm

Understanding Bitcoin/Blockchain to Mitigate Risks

Speaker: George W. Prokop

As Bitcoin and other crypto currencies evolve and gain acceptance, what new risks are present from use by transnational criminal organizations, terrorist networks, and drug trafficking organizations? Where are the gaps in the global and US anti-money laundering infrastructure and how can blockchain-based technology be used to mitigate these risks?

Our first speaker Mr. George Prokop has over 20 years of experience, co-leads the Strategic Threat Management and Corporate Intelligence practices at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. He is a senior practitioner in PwC’s Anti-Corruption Centre of Excellence. Mr. Prokop also serves as the co-leader of PwC’s Digital Currency Task Force – a multi-disciplinary team of professionals from the Assurance, Tax and Advisory practices advising public and private sector clients on the collective impact of this emerging technology in the marketplace. He has experience directing financial crime investigations, and anti-money laundering violations covering the Americas, Europe, the Middle East, Northern and Sub-Saharan Africa, and Asia.

Stopping ISIS Financing

Speaker: Dennis Lormel

This year international efforts to eliminate ISIS financing have taken on enormous importance.

Our second speaker, Mr. Dennis Lormel is a retired FBI agent with 28 years of experience and before retirement was the Chief of the FBI’s Financial Crimes Program. The program was establishing and directed after 911 as the bureau’s comprehensive terrorist financing initiative. These efforts evolved into the formation of a formal section within the Counterterrorist Division which has attained international recognition as one of the world elite operations for tracking, investigating and disrupting terrorist-related financial activity. Today, Mr. Lormel is a private consultant providing training related to terrorist financing, money laundering, fraud, financial crimes and due diligence, case studies and trend analysis. He serves as an advisor to the Congressional Anti-Terrorist Financing Task force and is a frequent speaker at domestic and international conferences.