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## **Focus on Technology Disruptions, Current Investigations and Cases at ACAMS' 24<sup>th</sup> Annual International AML & Financial Crime Conference**

**MIAMI, Fla.—Feb. 25, 2019—** The upcoming ACAMS Conference themed, “The Power of Knowledge: Mastering the Reinvention of AML,” will address impactful developments in the global financial crime prevention space including cryptocurrencies and artificial intelligence solutions. The annual event will be held in Hollywood, Florida, at the Diplomat Resort & Spa from April 15–17, 2019, and will be a convergence of leading industry professionals addressing regulatory changes that are impacting anti-money laundering (AML) and compliance professionals globally.

“Attendees will be part of in-depth and robust discussions with subject-matter experts, will network with financial crime prevention professionals and will gain new insights and strategies for fighting financial crime through real-life case studies,” said Kieran Beer, chief analyst, ACAMS. “Our sessions will focus on practical applications from sanctions to data analytics and embody key takeaways that can be used to strengthen AML processes.”

This year’s program contains new and dynamic sessions including insights into recent investigations, crimes and regulatory enforcement actions. This includes an intensive and interactive workshop dedicated to cryptocurrencies.

Throughout the three-day conference, AML and financial crime prevention professionals will have the opportunity to examine money laundering methods ranging from opioid traffickers to politically exposed persons (PEPs) in the new Financial Crime Trends case studies track; learn innovative ways to apply best practices to strengthen AML; develop practical strategies to optimize the effectiveness of suspicious activity report narratives, and more. This year’s conference also marks the first time ACAMS is offering a CAMS Preparation exam seminar in Spanish as well as the English preparation seminar as a pre-conference training.

### **Top thought-provoking sessions include:**

- Joint Solutions: A Multi-Pronged Approach to Banking Marijuana-Related Businesses

- How May AI Help You? Applying Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning and Robotics to AML
- Operation Darkness Falls: Taking Down the Largest Fentanyl Vendor in the U.S.
- Dark Web Spotlight: Countering Its Financial Crime and Money Laundering Risks

**The line-up of Speakers includes:**

- Spencer W. Doak, Director for Bank Secrecy Act/Anti-Money Laundering Compliance Policy, Compliance and Community Affairs Department, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
- Lt. Col. Josh Potter, J36, Transnational Threats Division, United States Special Operations Command (SOCOM)
- Koko Ives, manager, BSA/AML Compliance Section, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
- Melissa Leeds, counter transnational organized crime financing investigator, Metis
- Bill Dayhoff, CAMS, Chief Fraud Officer, VP AML Risk Intelligence, Ameris Bank
- Bob Hurst, Global Head of Sanctions, PayPal

For more information and to download the full conference schedule, visit

<https://www.acamsconferences.org/hollywood/>. The conference offers a [real-time broadcast option](#) that provides access to live streaming videos of keynote addresses and panel discussions, downloadable session audio recordings, online chat capabilities with participants, certificate of participation and CAMS credits.

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