



COMPANY SERVICE PROVIDERS – NAVIGATING COMPLIANCE OBLIGATIONS

WEDNESDAY, 07 & 14 FEBRUARY 2024

SEMINAR TIME: 14:00 – 17:15 (EUROPE/MALTA)

VENUE

ONLINE LIVE SESSION

SPEAKER

ANTONIO GHIRLANDO

The online session has been accredited six hours of structured CPE by the Malta Institute of Accountants (MIA) and categorised as an activity relevant to the attainment of Core Competencies in terms of the Accountancy Board CPE scheme

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The provisions regulating Company Service Providers (CSPs) have continued to expand and be strengthened from both a regulatory and financial crime perspective. The most notable developments have been the coming into force of the revised Company Service Providers Act (Cap. 529) and the issuance of the new CSP Rulebook by the Malta Financial Services Authority (MFSA). Additionally, Part II of the Implementing Procedures targeting CSPs has also been issued by the Financial Intelligence Analysis Unit (FIAU).

CSPs are also expected to adhere to a host of additional requirements imposed by various laws, regulations, as well as other rules and guidance – and face heftier penalties for non-compliance. Furthermore, they are required to deal with a number of regulatory and supervisory authorities, including the MFSA, the FIAU, the Malta Business Registry (MBR) and the Sanctions Monitoring Board (SMB).

Against this background, the course has been designed to provide a better understanding of the legislative framework as well as the main requirements that need to be satisfied on an ongoing basis to ensure compliance with regulatory, AML/CFT and sanction obligations. Special attention will be given to the duties and responsibilities of the following two key functions, who help ensure that CSPs continue to operate within the ambit of the law:

- The Compliance Officer; and
- The Money Laundering Reporting Officer.

The following two issues that had been previously highlighted by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) in connection with the Mutual Evaluation Review, and which continue to be under the regulatory spotlight will also be addressed as these require greater attention by CSPs:

- Beneficial Ownership; and
- Tax-related money laundering.

The course will also highlight the main points arising from the thematic reviews carried out by the FIAU on CSPs in connection with compliance with beneficial ownership obligations and the provision of directorship services.

THE SPEAKER



ANTONIO GHIRLANDO is a seasoned compliance specialist with a specific focus on financial crime compliance, including the prevention of money laundering, countering the funding of terrorism, combatting proliferation finance, sanctions, anti-bribery & corruption, and fraud. He is also well versed in other regulatory compliance obligations.

Antonio is actively involved in the provision of real-time operational support, specialist advice, intuitive guidance and training to several businesses seeking to ensure ongoing compliance with their regulatory obligations. He also assists Money Laundering Reporting Officers (MLROs) and Compliance Officers with their day-to-day tasks and oversight.

During his career he has worked with various licensed entities in both the financial and non-financial sectors, having served as the Head of Compliance, Head of Financial Crime Compliance, Money Laundering Reporting Officer (MLRO) and Data Protection Officer (DPO). He also headed the Compliance and Legal & International Sections of the Financial Intelligence Analysis Unit (FIAU) and served as the Secretary General of the Malta Bankers' Association (MBA).

Antonio has been involved in several local and international committees, and has also presented numerous papers at various workshops, seminars, conferences and training events. Antonio is a graduate of the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa.



CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

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SEMINAR FEE

The seminar fee is €95.00 inclusive of VAT (€80.51 + 18% VAT). Link to participate in the live event will be sent in a separate email.

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