

# LIGHT

## LEGAL COMPETENCY TO PREVENT AML/CFT: ILLUMINATING DARK CORNERS

### TRAINING ACTIVITIES ON AML/CFT CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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#### **Introduction**

The consortium of the project LIGHT has published a call for expression of interest with an aim to establish a list of lawyers and notaries who may be invited to join the training activities organised in the framework of the project.

#### **Project Background**

The LIGHT project aims at increasing the competency of lawyers and notaries in AML/CFT, therefore strengthening their role in the implementation of AML/CFT and ensuring the effectiveness of AML/CFT policy. The selected lawyers and notaries will have enhanced their functional competency in AML/CFT through four main competence profiles, which will let training participants:

- Acquire experimental insight and knowledge in EU Law on AML/CFT;
- Improve their capacity in ML/FT risk assessment;
- Perform AML/CFT reporting obligations;
- Analyse business relationships without intermediates as required by the Commission.

## The Consortium

Led by Confprofessioni (Italian Confederation of Liberal Professions), seven partners from four countries with a multifaceted nature and a common interest in AML/CFT: Association for Women Lawyers (from Bulgaria), European Council of the Liberal Professions (from Belgium), Federnotai (the Italian Federation of Notaries' Associations), UINL – International Union of Notaries, the Spanish General Council of Notaries and the General Council of Spanish Lawyers aim at improving the understanding the competency of legal professions in AML/CFT via specific training activities targeting lawyers and notaries. These partners have been awarded an action grant to support transnational projects on judicial training covering civil law, criminal law or fundamental rights (JUST-JTRA-EJTR-AG-2020).

## Description of the training activities

The selected lawyers and notaries shall participate in the training activities (online and face-to-face seminars) organized in the framework of the project, as described below.

## Online essential education on EU AML/CFT

Individual E-Learning (async model) will be provided together with testing procedures so that participants will be ready to take part in transnational seminars. A test at the end of each session will certify the attendance.

<b>Subject</b>	International standards on AML/CFT, as FATF Recommendations, UN and Council of Europe framework, EU law and its evolution, EU regulatory mechanism
<b>Date</b>	From November 2021 to May 2022
<b>Location</b>	Online
<b>Duration</b>	8 hours (8 sessions, 1 hour each)
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Participation</b>	240 lawyers and notaries

## AML/CFT training seminars

Four transnational seminars will cover all subjects identified by the training need analysis: to exploit the cross-border nature of ML/FT to share a common vision and modus operandi in EU AML/CFT.

### First seminar

<b>Subject</b>	EU AML/CFT architecture and role of legal professions
<b>Date</b>	31 March-1 April, 2022
<b>Location</b>	Roma, Italy
<b>Duration</b>	Two consecutive days
<b>Language</b>	English and Italian
<b>Participation</b>	N° 60 lawyers and notaries

### Second seminar

<b>Subject</b>	EU risk assessment methodology and EU and FATF Guidelines for legal professions
<b>Date</b>	April, 2022, dates TBD
<b>Location</b>	Brussels, Belgium
<b>Duration</b>	Two consecutive days
<b>Language</b>	English and French
<b>Participation</b>	N° 60 lawyers and notaries

### Third seminar

<b>Subject</b>	Know Your Customer, Customer Due Diligence, Beneficial Ownership, reporting obligations, record keeping, evidence gathering and regulatory technology
<b>Date</b>	May, 2022, dates TBD
<b>Location</b>	Sofia, Bulgaria
<b>Duration</b>	Two consecutive days
<b>Language</b>	Bulgarian and English
<b>Participation</b>	N° 60 lawyers and notaries

### Fourth seminar

<b>Subject</b>	Virtual currencies, electronic money, business relationship without intermediaries and ML/FT risks
<b>Date</b>	June 2022, dates TBD
<b>Location</b>	Madrid, Spain
<b>Duration</b>	Two consecutive days
<b>Language</b>	Spanish and English
<b>Participation</b>	N° 60 lawyers and notaries

Participation in any activity is free of charge and travel and subsistence costs incurred by the participants in order to join the seminars may be reimbursed upon submission of adequate documentation and compliance with cost eligibility criteria.

**Please note: participation in the eLearning is mandatory prior to joining the training seminars.**

### **Selection Criteria**

The project consortium shall select lawyers and notaries to join the training activities organized in the framework of the project.

The selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Eligibility of the application (that is, compliance with the provisions set out in this call);
- Lawyers and notaries from the countries involved in the project (Belgium, Bulgaria, Italy, Spain);
- Knowledge of English;
- Experience in the field of AML/CFT.
- A final test is planned at the end of the online trainingIts succesful completion is a condition to join the face-to-face seminats.

### **Closing Date for Submission**

**Applications are assessed on a monthly basis. Considering the need to complete the eLearning before joining the seminars, applications for a given seminar submitted later than 30 calendar days before the date of the seminar will not be taken into consideration.**

### **Ready to Apply?**

Candidates interested to apply are invited to send an application to the following email address: [info@light-aml.eu](mailto:info@light-aml.eu). The application must include the application form, the applicant's CV and a brief motivational letter. The application, including the submitted documents, must be in English.

The selection will be made by the project consortium considering the above criteria.

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HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1	13.10.2021	Initial version
2	02.02.2022	The dates of the first seminar are now 31.03 and 01.04.2022. Applications are assessed on a monthly basis.