Overview of changes proposed to Jersey's AML/CFT framework

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Agenda

- > Jersey Financial Crime Strategy Group
- > 2012 FATF Recommendations
- Proposed changes to Jersey's AML/CFT framework
 - Consultation Paper
- > Proposed Registry Law





Jersey Financial Crime Strategy Group

- Responsible for co-ordinating the actions of the island to mitigate the risk of financial crime.
- Co-ordination of risk assessments
- Review and development of financial crime policies and legislation
- Appropriate risk-based application of resources



















2012 FATF Recommendations

- > Replaced 2003 Recommendations
- > Strengthen areas of higher risk
- > Deal with new threats
- Clearer on transparency
- > Tougher on corruption
- > Formal integration of the risk-based approach





- Changes to legal framework:
 - > AML/CFT policies and coordination
 - ML and confiscation
 - TF and financing of proliferation (FP)
 - > Preventive measures
 - > Powers and responsibilities of authorities
 - > Transparency of legal persons/arrangements





- AML policies and coordination
 - > R.1 (NRA)
 - > FIs and DNFBPs required to consider outcome of NRA when performing risk assessments





- > ML and confiscation
 - > R.4 (confiscation and provisional measures)
 - Possibility of confiscating "gifts" made within a period of 5
 years (clawback period) before criminal offending
 - > Includes property settled into discretionary trust





- > TF and FP
 - > R.8 (NPOs)
 - Additional obligations on NPOs that may be "vulnerable to TF abuse"
 - > Supervision for compliance with obligations
 - > Potential range of obligations





- Preventive measures
 - > R.10 (CDD)
 - > Where customer is an individual:
 - Verify that any person acting on behalf of customer is authorised to do so; and
 - > Find out and verify identity of that party
 - Mitigate risks where verification of identity delayed





- > Preventive measures
 - > R.10 (CDD)
 - Simplified CDD measures to be replaced with statutory exemptions
 - Removal of requirement to find out identity of significant third parties
 - > However, exemptions subject to NRA findings
 - No CDD requirement if "tipping-off" concern





- > Preventive measures
 - > R.11 (record-keeping)
 - Records to be made available "swiftly" to domestic authorities, rather than "on a timely basis"
 - Records to include results of analysis (e.g. inquiries to establish the background and purpose of complex, unusual large transactions)





- > Preventive measures
 - > R.12 (PEPs)
 - > Foreign PEPs
 - Mandatory enhanced monitoring
 - > Higher risk domestic PEPs
 - > Enhanced measures
 - Guidance on "higher risk"?





- > Preventive measures
 - > R.13 (correspondent banking)
 - Extension of enhanced CDD to "similar relationships", e.g. securities transactions or funds transfers
 - > R.15 (new technology)
 - Timing of risk assessment to be clarified prior to launch or use of products, practice and technology
 - Measures to manage and mitigate risks





- > Preventive measures
 - > R.17 (reliance)
 - Additional condition to be met where reliance is placed on group third party: any higher country risk is adequately mitigated by group's AML/CFT policies
 - R.18 (internal controls and foreign branches and subsidiaries)
 - Information sharing at group level





- > Preventive measures
 - > R.22 (DNFBPs)
 - Estate agents to apply CDD measures to both parties to any real estate transaction in which they are involved





- > Powers and responsibilities of authorities
 - > R.26 (regulation and supervision of FIs)
 - AML/CFT supervisors to be required to apply a risk-based approach





- > Powers and responsibilities of authorities
 - > R.28 (regulation and supervision of DNFBPs)
 - Measures to prevent criminals or their associates being professionally accredited, or holding significant or controlling interest, or holding a management function
 - AML/CFT supervisors to be required to apply a risk-based approach





- > Transparency of legal persons
 - > R.24
 - All "basic" information should be publicly available, including:
 - > List of directors (or equivalent)
 - "Basic regulating powers" for foundations
 - Changes to "basic" information to be disclosed to Companies
 Registry within 21 days





- > Transparency of legal persons
 - > R.24
 - Legal persons to nominate: (i) natural person; or (ii) TCB supervised by JFSC (nominated person), to provide "basic" and beneficial ownership information to authorities.
 - Name of nominated person to be held by registrar
 - Intermediate and ultimate beneficial owners to cooperate with legal person and/or nominated person





- > Transparency of legal persons
 - > R.24
 - Directors (and equivalent)/liquidator, and nominated person to maintain "basic" and beneficial ownership information for five years post dissolution
 - Comptroller of Taxes to have timely access to beneficial ownership data
 - > Express prohibition on bearer shares/warrants





- > Transparency of legal persons
 - > R.24
 - > Use of nominee shareholders
 - Option A permit only TCBs supervised by JFSC; or
 - Option B permit nominees licensed and supervised in Jersey and any equivalent jurisdiction; or
 - Option C permit any person so long as identity of nominator recorded by: (i) company; and (ii) Registrar





- > Transparency of legal persons
 - > R.24
 - > Express prohibition of "nominee" directors





- > Transparency of legal arrangements
 - > R.25
 - > Trusts Law or AML/CFT legislation
 - Trustee to hold information on agents and service providers, e.g. investment advisor, manager, accountant, tax advisor etc.
 - > Trustee to disclose fiduciary status to FIs and DNFBPs
 - "Gateway" to allow trustee to provide confidential information to FIs and DNFBPs





- > Transparency of legal arrangements
 - > R.25
 - Provisions extend to any express trust governed under Jersey law
 - Including non-resident trustees of Jersey trusts where no Jersey property or income





Consultation

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http://www.jerseyfsc.org/media/2083/2018-07-27-jfcsg-consultation-on-fatf-recommendations.pdf

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Registry Law

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Registry Law (1/2)

- Register of Entities (Jersey) Law 201-
 - Bring together registration obligations for entities and LPs in one statute
 - > Clarify the powers of the registrar, including enforcement
 - Provide a foundation for using innovative technology
 - Replace COBO for the majority of companies





Registry Law (2/2)

- Matters arising out of the Registry Law
 - Register of legal owners (public)
 - Register of beneficial owners (private)
 - Register of directors, officers and secretaries (public)
 - Register of disqualifications (public)
 - > Signatures, authorisations and digital communications





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Overview

- > Higher risk areas
- > Private sector perspective





Housekeeping

- > Team leader change
 - National ML vulnerability
 - Jamie Biddle
- > Updated timeline
 - > First draft to World Bank March 2019





Data collection (1/9)

- > JFSC Phase I
 - > Good response rate 98%
 - > First time exercise undertaken on this scale
 - Some data quality issues to be addressed through updates to guidance and data collection forms
 - > Sector reporting aggregated limited cleansing





Data collection (2/9)

- > JFSC Phase II
 - > Step 1 30 September
 - > Step 2 31 October
 - → Step 3 –16 November
- > JFSC 2018 data
 - > Q1 2019 details to follow





Data collection (3/9)

- Government survey of private sector
 - Timeline
 - Week commencing 24 September to 31 October
 - Overlap with JFSC Phase II data collection
 - Link to be publicised by trade bodies and associations,
 Jersey Finance and JFSC
 - Voluntary and anonymous participation





Data collection (4/9)

- Government survey of private sector
 - Completion
 - Many "closed" responses, e.g.
 - Yes/no/not sure
 - > Never/rarely/quite often/very often/always
 - Select options/bands
 - Not at all (0) to very well (10)
 - "No experience"





Data collection (5/9)

- Government survey of private sector
 - Completion (cont'd)
 - Time to complete?
 - Questions to Island ARK and Chief Executive's Office -Government





Data collection (6/9)

- Government survey of private sector
 - Sections
 - > About your organisation
 - Preventive measures organisation and industry
 - Integrity
 - > Knowledge and training
 - Compliance culture and effectiveness
 - Reporting
 - Customer due diligence





Data collection (7/9)

- Government survey of private sector
 - Sections
 - Supervision and enforcement of AML/CFT requirements by JFSC
 - Enforcement of AML/CFT requirements by law enforcement agencies
 - ML/TF threats and vulnerabilities organisation and Island





Data collection (8/9)

- Government survey of private sector
 - Use of data
 - NRA teams report and action plan
 - > Reliant upon good evidence
 - Smarter regulation and supervision





Data collection (9/9)

- Other Government surveys
 - Consulting firms and law firms
 - > Foreign competent authorities
 - > JFCU-FIU
 - > JFCU-Operations
 - Law Officers' Department
 - > JFSC





Higher risk areas (1/2)

- National ML vulnerability team
 - Legal persons and legal arrangements
 - Registers aircraft and shipping
 - > Emerging areas
 - Crypto currencies
 - Crowd-funding





Higher risk areas (2/2)

- > Securities ML vulnerability
 - Non-regulated issuers
- > TCSP ML vulnerability
 - Family offices
- Other vulnerabilities
 - > Immovable property
 - Gambling



