

ENHANCED DUE DILIGENCE (EDD) REPORTS

“Strengthening Risk-Based Compliance Through In-Depth Investigative Reporting”

Schedule

Date	Venue	Fees (Face-to-Face)
13 - 15 Jul 2026	Dubai, UAE	USD 2495 per delegate

► **Available delivery methods:** Face-to-Face & Online Training

Introduction

Enhanced Due Diligence (EDD) is a critical element of advanced risk management and regulatory compliance, especially when dealing with high-risk clients, politically exposed persons (PEPs), and jurisdictions with weak AML frameworks. EDD goes beyond standard KYC by providing deeper insights through detailed investigations and risk profiling.

This specialized course empowers compliance, audit, and risk professionals to conduct comprehensive due diligence and produce high-quality EDD reports. Participants will gain practical techniques for data gathering, source verification, risk scoring, and report drafting—enabling them to detect red flags, mitigate reputational risk, and meet regulatory scrutiny.

Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Conduct thorough background checks on individuals and entities using reliable sources
- Assess and document risk factors including ownership structure, sanctions, and adverse media
- Apply structured methodologies to write clear, concise, and defensible EDD reports
- Identify indicators of financial crime and reputational risk
- Support AML compliance programs through evidence-based decision-making

Why Attend

- Gain hands-on experience conducting investigations and compiling detailed EDD reports
- Meet increasing regulatory expectations around transparency and risk profiling
- Protect your organization from regulatory fines and reputational damage
- Learn industry standards for documenting red flags and high-risk relationships
- Strengthen your due diligence toolkit for use in onboarding, monitoring, and investigations

Target Audience

This program is designed for:

- AML/CFT compliance officers and analysts
- Internal auditors and risk managers
- Corporate investigators and legal officers
- Financial crime and anti-bribery professionals
- Banking, insurance, fintech, and legal compliance teams

Individual Benefits

Key competencies that will be developed include:

- EDD planning, investigation, and reporting skills
- Use of open-source intelligence (OSINT) tools and databases
- Ability to identify shell companies, hidden ownership, and PEP exposure
- Confidence in drafting EDD narratives and presenting findings
- Improved judgment on client risk and onboarding decisions

Organizational Benefits

Upon completing the training course, participants will demonstrate:

- Higher-quality EDD documentation supporting compliance decisions
- Reduced exposure to financial crime, fraud, and sanctions violations
- Improved risk profiling and onboarding of high-risk clients
- Better preparedness for internal audits and regulatory inspections
- Stronger alignment with FATF, AML, and KYC obligations

Instructional Methodology

The course follows a blended learning approach combining theory with practice:

- Strategy Briefings - AML regulations, FATF guidance, and industry benchmarks
- Case Studies - Real-world EDD investigations and red-flagged client reviews
- Workshops - Risk assessment, OSINT searches, EDD template completion
- Peer Exchange - Group analysis of sample EDD scenarios
- Tools - Source-checking guides, EDD report formats, risk scoring matrices

Course Outline

Training Hours: 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM Daily Format: 3-4 Learning Modules | Coffee breaks: 09:30 & 11:15 | Lunch Buffet: 01:00 - 02:00

Day 1: Foundations of EDD and Investigative Techniques

- Module 1: EDD in the Risk-Based Approach (07:30 - 09:30) • Regulatory requirements, FATF guidance, triggers for EDD
- Module 2: Understanding Ultimate Beneficial Ownership (UBO) (09:45 - 11:15) • Ownership mapping, nominee structures, offshore risks
- Module 3: Information Gathering and Source Validation (11:30 - 01:00) • Commercial databases, OSINT, adverse media
- Module 4: Workshop - OSINT Search Simulation (02:00 - 03:30) • Use public tools to investigate a fictitious high-risk client

Day 2: Risk Analysis and Reporting Standards

- Module 1: Identifying PEPs, Sanctions, and Watchlists (07:30 - 09:30) • World-Check, UN/OFAC lists, false positives
- Module 2: Risk Scoring and Client Profiling (09:45 - 11:15) • Country risk, sector risk, behavioral red flags
- Module 3: Structuring and Drafting an EDD Report (11:30 - 01:00) • Introduction, findings, risk conclusion, recommendations
- Module 4: Workshop - Draft an EDD Report (02:00 - 03:30) • Use case data to complete a full EDD report template

Day 3: Application, Ethics, and Review

- Module 1: EDD in Practice - Use Cases and Lessons Learned (07:30 - 09:30) • EDD in onboarding, periodic review, and event-triggered reviews
- Module 2: Legal Considerations and Ethical Boundaries (09:45 - 11:15) • Privacy laws, source reliability, defensible reporting
- Module 3: Peer Review and Quality Control (11:30 - 01:00) • EDD documentation standards, internal audit expectations
- Module 4: Final Workshop - Report Review and Risk Decision (02:00 - 03:30) • Present and justify EDD findings in a simulated review meeting

Certification

Participants will receive a Certificate of Completion in Enhanced Due Diligence (EDD) Reports, validating their capability to perform in-depth investigations, evaluate risk factors, and produce high-quality EDD documentation aligned with global compliance standards.

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