The Assembly Australasia Program
Day 1
Monday 6/23

8:00AM–5:00PM	**Registration Desk Open**
8:00AM–5:00PM	**Exhibit Hall Open**
9:00AM–9:10AM	**Welcome Remarks**

Caryn Leong, CAMS, Regional AML Director - APAC, **ACAMS**

9:10AM–10:00AM   **Keynote Address with Q&A**

Brendan Thomas, Chief Executive Officer, **AUSTRAC**

Moderator:
Kieran Beer, CAMS, Chief Analyst and Director of Editorial Content, **ACAMS**

10:00AM–11:00AM   **Executive Roundtable: Banking DNFBPs Under Tranche 2**

Compliance leaders from the region's top financial institutions will discuss the challenges of managing relationships with clients from newly regulated entities, who now face extensive AML/CTF obligations starting July 1, 2026. They will provide insights on setting appropriate expectations for their compliance programs, delve into strategies for making prudent de-risking decisions and offer valuable guidance for financial institutions navigating this complex regulatory environment.

Moderator:
Kieran Beer, CAMS, Chief Analyst and Director of Editorial Content, **ACAMS**

Presenters:
Jodie Arthur, General Manager, Financial Crime, **Westpac**

John Fogarty, Executive General Manager, Financial Crime Compliance, **Commonwealth Bank**

Cassandra Hewett, CAMS, Group Head of Financial Crime, Group Money Laundering Reporting Officer, **ANZ Bank**

Paul Jevtovic, APM OAM, Chief Financial Crime Risk & Group MLRO, **National Australia Bank**

11:00AM–11:30AM   **Networking and Refreshment Break**

11:30AM–12:20PM	**Techtopia: Spotlighting Technology's Growing Role in Compliance**

Artificial Intelligence has revolutionized global finance, providing both exceptional opportunities and unprecedented risks. Join us for an insightful discussion on leveraging AI for compliance, exploring its potential to enhance efficiency and effectiveness while managing emerging digital risks.

You will learn how to:
• Analyse domestic and global efforts to regulate artificial intelligence, including the EU's AI Act and Australia's Voluntary AI Safety Standard
• Update CDD processes to manage Generative AI threats such as deepfakes that aim to bypass traditional security measures
• Use tools such as AI analytics and blockchain as countermeasures to ensure authentication and detect illicit activity

Presenters:
Chen Xiao, Associate Director, Financial Crime Practice Group, Asia-Pacific and Middle East, **Moody's**

Lachlan Dundas, CAMS, Head of Financial Crime Governance, **ANZ Bank**

Tony Hope, Executive, AML/CTF/ Fraud Risk, **National Australia Bank**

12:20PM–1:30PM	**Networking Luncheon**

1:30PM–2:20PM

AMA (ASK ME ANYTHING) – Scorched Earth Approach: Taking on the Fraud Ecosystem

Join us for an engaging AMA session where the conversation comes alive with pre-submitted questions, live Q&A, and a dynamic panel discussion. Bring your burning questions and curiosity; we've got the answers and more. Don't miss this opportunity for an interactive and insightful experience!

Australasia is tired of savvy fraudsters taking advantage of their community using sophisticated methods such as social engineering schemes to trick victims out of their money. During this session we will discuss the region's fight against fraud, including its whole-of-ecosystem approach to detect and protect against these emerging and evolving scams.

You will learn how to:
• Analyse the proposed Scams Prevention Framework and its potential impact on businesses
• Utilize anti-fraud technology such as behavioural biometrics to spot and stop potential scams
• Cooperate with multi-jurisdictional authorities to recover assets derived from fraudulent activities

Moderator:
Chris Sheehan, General Manager, Group Investigations Fraud, **National Australia Bank**

Presenters:
Toby Evans, Head of Economic Crime, **Australian Payments Network (AusPayNet)**

Matthew Knight, Head of Fraud and Financial Crimes Solutions, Australia & New Zealand, **SAS**

Jayde Richmond, General Manager, **National Anti-Scam Centre at Australian Competition and Consumer Commission**

Claire Shaw, Head of Fraud, **Bank of Queensland**

POWER SESSION
1:30PM–2:20PM

Putting the p into KYC: Understand Risk, Trust your Decisions, Open Opportunities – Presented by NICE Actimize

KYC is the cornerstone of any financial crime and compliance program. Getting it wrong has far reaching consequences across the whole organization, but getting it right is fraught with difficulties. Inconsistent data, disconnected teams, heavily manual processes and potentially unreliable decisions.

There is a better way, improving data clarity and consolidation and putting perpetual into KYC provides much better oversight and delivers better decisions. Technology makes pKYC possible as breaks down team and data silos, ensuring customers activity, behavior and relationships are taken into account in understanding the customer and their risk. Providing greater opportunities for organizations to manage risk and reward.

In this session you will learn:
· What pKYC really means for your organization
· How technology is leading the pKYC approach
· How your organization can benefit from pKYC
· What the future opportunities are for pKYC

Presenters:
Eduan Erasmus, AML Product Lead, **NICE Actimize**

Matthew Field, AML Director APAC, **NICE Actimize**

Jeremy Moller, Senior Advisor – Risk Advisory, **Norton Rose Fulbright Australia**

2:20PM–2:30PM

Transition to next session

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2:30PM–3:20PM	**Under Pressure: The Latest Sanctions and Export Control Developments in Australasia**

Join our expert panel as we explore the evolving landscape of sanctions and export controls in Australasia. Our distinguished speakers will discuss Australia's Defence Trade Controls Amendment Act 2024, the implications of U.S. export control measures targeting China, challenges posed by conflicting sanctions regimes, as well as new requirements under Australia's AML/CTF Act to mitigate proliferation financing risks.

Moderator:
Gavin Coles, Global Sanctions Officer, **OFX**

Presenters:
Claudine Lamond, Director, Sanctions Compliance and Monitoring, Australian Sanctions Office, Canberra, **Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)**

Kylie Oliver, CAMS, CGSS, Senior Manager Enterprise Sanctions Compliance, **ANZ Bank** |
| POWER SESSION 2:30PM–3:20PM | **From Shadows to Spotlight: Uncovering Human Trafficking Using Data – Presented by Quantexa**

A focused breakout session on the detection and prevention of human trafficking, including forced sexual servitude and forced labour.

You will learn how to:
• Merge traditional and non-traditional datasets to reflect real-world risks
• Use a combination of human intelligence and AI to develop persona-based monitoring
• Adapt investigative techniques to focus on acting from data-driven insights using innovative technology

Presenters:
Tom McNally, Head of AML Solutions, APAC, **Quantexa**

Holly Miller, Global Head of Supply Chain Intelligence Solutions and APAC Head of Anti-Fraud Solutions, **Quantexa** |
| 3:20PM–3:50PM | **Networking and Refreshment Break** |

3:50PM–4:40PM	**Full Speed Ahead: The Future of Crypto in Australasia** Cryptocurrency seems to have recovered from the FTX collapse and is back to take its place in the global economy. During this session, our expert panellists will address the evolving landscape of virtual assets, including current and potential regulatory developments, its role in scams, and the collaborative efforts between exchanges and law enforcement to combat fraud. You will learn how to: · Analyse global and regional efforts to regulate digital assets including FATF's Recommendation 15 and Australia's proposed CASSPr regulations · Identify strategies for mitigating cryptocurrency-related fraud risks, including lessons from recent scam prevention initiatives · Explore best practices for cryptocurrency exchanges to collaborate with law enforcement and regulators in combating financial crime **Moderator:** Amy-Rose Goodney, CEO, **Digital Economy Council of Australia (DECA)** **Presenters:** Martin Dilly, Director, **Martin Dilly AML Limited** Gabby Lewis, Head of Fraud and Financial Crime, **Swyftx** Audrey Wong, CAMS, Vice President, Financial Crime Solutions and Services, Asia Pacific, **Mastercard**
4:40PM–4:45PM	**Closing Remarks** Caryn Leong, CAMS, Regional AML Director - APAC, **ACAMS**
4:45PM–5:45PM	**Networking Reception in Exhibit Area**

The Assembly Australasia Program
Day 2
Tuesday 6/24

8:00AM–3:00PM	**Registration Desk Open**
8:00AM–3:00PM	**Exhibit Hall Open**
9:00AM–9:10AM	**Welcome Remarks** Kieran Beer, CAMS, Chief Analyst and Director of Editorial Content, **ACAMS**
9:10AM–10:00AM	**Keynote Address with Q&A** Melissa Sevil, Acting Deputy Executive Secretary, **APG** **Moderator:** Caryn Leong, CAMS, Regional AML Director – APAC, **ACAMS**
10:00AM–11:00AM	**The New Age Governance in Australasia** Join our expert panel as we explore AUSTRAC's increasing focus on board and senior management accountability in Australia's evolving AML/CTF landscape. Our distinguished speakers will discuss the sweeping reforms introduced to the AML/CTF Act, which place greater emphasis on the role of the board and senior management in overseeing AML/CTF compliance. This session will provide insights into the changing responsibilities of leadership teams, including the requirement for boards to approve AML/CTF programs and the introduction of a new designated business group framework, highlighting the critical importance of governance in the fight against financial crime. **Moderator:** Caryn Leong, CAMS, Regional AML Director – APAC, **ACAMS** **Presenters:** John Fogarty, Executive General Manager, Financial Crime Compliance, **Commonwealth Bank** Jason Gordon, Head of Customer and Threat Protection, **Bendigo & Adelaide Bank** Vandhna Narayan, Group Chief Compliance Officer, **BSP Financial Group Limited**
11:00AM–11:30AM	**Networking and Refreshment Break**

11:30AM–12:20PM

OPEN FISHBOWL – Level Up: Elevating Your Risk Management Strategy Amid Regulatory Reform

For this "fishbowl" session, audience members who raise their hand, figuratively speaking, beforehand will be invited to take a guest turn on stage and share their take on the topic. Step up – literally – and help lead this thought-provoking discussion, made richer by your participation.

Join us for a dynamic discussion on how banks can optimize their risk assessment strategies in response to Tranche 2. We will analyse innovative approaches for enhancing both enterprise-wide and customer risk assessments and best practices for identifying, evaluating, and mitigating financial crime risks, all while focusing on the unique challenges posed by newly obliged entities.

Moderator:
Tony Hope, Executive, AML/CTF/ Fraud Risk, **National Australia Bank**

Presenters:
Yogesh Kulkarni, CAMS, General Manager, Financial Crime, Regulatory Compliance, Privacy and Fraud Risk Audit, **Commonwealth Bank**

Jeremy Moller, Senior Advisor - Risk Advisory, **Norton Rose Fulbright Australia**

**POWER SESSION
11:30AM–12:20PM**

The Essential Guide to Adopting AI in FCC - Presented by Silent Eight

While AI is becoming an indispensable tool in the FCC toolkit for many banks across the globe, not all institutions are on the same stage in their adoption of AI. In this session we will share case studies and best practices to help accelerate your journey to unlocking better risk management through AI.

You will learn how to:
· Identify the right use case for AI within your FCC programme
· Prepare your internal infrastructure, procedures and governance for AI's complexities
· Avoid common pitfalls when implementing AI solutions

Presenters:
Patrick Burns, Executive - Financial Crime Operations, **NAB**

Patrick Kirwin, Head of Product Management, **Silent Eight**

12:20PM–1:30PM

Networking Luncheon

1:30PM–2:20PM

Earth Link: The Convergence of Environmental Crimes and Money Laundering

Particularly in the Asia-Pacific region, both FATF and the UNODC are prioritising the crimes against the environment, often connecting it to organized crime. During this panel, seasoned AML experts will address the critical intersection between financial crime and the destruction of our planet, as well as the urgent need for systemic intervention.

You will learn how to:
· Examine the links between environmental crime and financial sectors, including illegal logging, mining, waste trafficking, and illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing
· Recognize money laundering methods associated with environmental crimes and their connections to organized crime networks
· Use case studies highlighting illicit financial flows to enhance awareness of the associated threats and risks

Moderator:
Brien Coram, CAMS, CCAS, CGSS, Program Manager, Financial Crime Transformation, **Westpac Pacific Bank**

Presenters:
Alice Bexson, First Secretary, Illicit Finance Policy Lead, **British High Commission**

Vandhna Narayan, Group Chief Compliance Officer, **BSP Financial Group Limited**

Davyth Stewart, International Environmental Lawyer, Environmental Law Enforcement Expert

2:20PM–2:25PM

Transition to next session

2:25PM–2:50PM

ACAMS TALK – The New and Improved Compliance Officer

This session explores the evolution of the compliance officer's role in Australia's rapidly changing regulatory landscape. Our distinguished speaker will examine how compliance officers are adapting to new requirements while embracing emerging technologies and strategic advisory roles in modern organizations.

This session will help you:
• Understand the expanded responsibilities of AML/CTF compliance officers under recent reforms including new Fitness and Probity requirements
• Identify key skills and competencies required for successful compliance leadership in today's complex regulatory environment
• Stay abreast of emerging trends in compliance, including AI integration, predictive approaches, and the growing importance of ESG factors

Presenter:
Armina Antoniou, CAMS, Chief Risk Officer, **Crown Resorts**

2:50PM–3:20PM

Getting Started: Compliance Strategies for Tranche 2 Entities

While the new obligations under Tranche 2 may seem daunting for newly regulated entities, they will ultimately enhance industry credibility and protect businesses from criminal exploitation.

During this session, our expert panelists will provide guidance on how Designated Non-Financial Business Professionals (DNFBPs), such as lawyers, accountants and real estate professionals should approach AML and how it ties to their banking relationships. They will discuss key points for compliance success such as the importance of early preparation, the development and implementation of robust customer due diligence processes, and the need to invest in compliance systems.

Moderator:
Gary Hughes, Barrister, **Britomart Chambers**, Chair, **International Bar Association AML and Sanctions Experts Committee**

Presenters:
Dr. Doron Goldbarsht, Associate Professor, **Macquarie University**

Sonja Marsic, Partner, **Norton Rose Fulbright**

3:20PM–3:50PM

Networking and Refreshment Break

3:50PM–4:20PM	**More is More: Using Collaboration and Information Sharing to Fight Financial Crime** Join us for a conversation spotlighting the Fintel Alliance, a public-private partnership led by AUSTRAC which aims to disrupt financial crime via its coordinated efforts. Our experts will discuss its current and future endeavours, including the success of the Collaborative Analytics Hub, examining how this model can be expanded to include Tranche 2 entities, while also addressing AUSTRAC's enhanced information gathering powers through the introduction of section 49B and 49C notices. This session will also provide attendees with valuable insights into the future of public-private partnerships in financial intelligence and how these collaborations can be leveraged to stay ahead of evolving criminal threats. **Moderator:** Kieran Beer, CAMS, Chief Analyst and Director of Editorial Content, **ACAMS** **Presenters:** Jon Brewer, National Manager, Fintel Alliance, **AUSTRAC** Mark Dickson, Executive Manager, Financial Intelligence Unit, **Westpac** Caitlyn Tanumyroshgi, Head, Financial Crime Intelligence, **ANZ Bank**
4:20PM–4:40PM	**Special Presentation** Stephen Dametto, Assistant Commissioner, Eastern Command, **Australian Federal Police** **Moderator:** Kieran Beer, CAMS, Chief Analyst and Director of Editorial Content, **ACAMS**
4:40PM–4:45PM	**Closing Remarks** Kieran Beer, CAMS, Chief Analyst and Director of Editorial Content, **ACAMS**