



AMLA 2025

Practical Compliance, Risk Management & Reporting Excellence



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Course Overview

Malaysia introduced a refreshed set of Key AMLA laws which mark one of the most important updates in recent years, tightening reporting obligations, expanding regulatory coverage, and raising expectations for compliance professionals.

In this course, you'll explore these updates through clear, real-world scenarios. Not dry legal text. You'll see how the new rules affect day-to-day decisions, how they reshape your reporting responsibilities, and where risks now hide in your operations.

By the end, you'll walk away with:

- A solid understanding of the **AMLA (Amendment) Act 2025**
- Clarity on what regulators now expect from you
- The ability to identify red flags and compliance gaps faster
- Practical steps to adapt your controls and documentation
- Confidence to manage AML risks under the new legal framework

This course is designed to make the law understandable, actionable, and directly relevant to your work so you can stay ahead, stay compliant, and protect your organisation with confidence.



Course Objectives & Benefits

Objectives

By the end of this workshop, you will be able to:

- Master the latest AML/CFT/CPF framework, including the AMLA amendment, so you're ahead of regulatory expectations.
- Navigate Malaysian governance and global compliance standards to protect your organisation from financial crime.
- Conduct KYC, CDD, and ECDD confidently, spotting high-risk clients and Politically Exposed Persons before issues arise.
- Implement a practical Risk-Based Approach (RBA) and handle suspicious transactions with clarity and precision.
- Apply real-world case studies in group exercises, turning theory into actionable decisions that safeguard your institution.

Benefits to Your Company

This course builds teams who can:

- Stay ahead of regulators by ensuring your team fully masters AMLA and global standards before compliance gaps become costly.
- Spot risks before they become problems by allowing your team to detect, assess, and respond to ML/TF/PF threats through hands-on exercises and real-case scenarios.
- Implement accurate KYC, CDD, and STR processes that safeguard the organisation from threats.
- Build audit-ready accountability by creating a workforce that consistently follows governance standards, reducing errors and regulatory scrutiny.

Impact?

Avoid fines, minimise risk, and demonstrate that your organisation is proactively compliant and resilient.

Agenda Day 1

All modules will be delivered across Day 1 and Day 2. However, the trainer may adjust the sequence, modify content, or emphasize specific topics based on the delegates' skills and experience.

Module 1: Understanding AML/CFT/CPF Framework

- Introduction to AML, CFT, and CPF: Definitions, Objectives & Key Differences.
- Emerging Trends: Latest methods and techniques used in financial crimes.
- Case Studies and lesson learned
- Impact Analysis: Consequences for institutions and nations.

Module 2: AMLA: A Practical Approach

- Regulatory Landscape: Overview of global and local AML/CFT/CPF regulations.
- Targeted Financial Sanctions: Understanding local and UN-sanction regimes.
- Prohibited and Restricted Relationships: Identifying and mitigating risks.
- Case Studies: Analysis of high-profile international cases to illustrate impacts.

Module 3: AMLA: Malaysian Governance

- Legislation Overview: Key laws 2025 governing AML/CFT/CPF in Malaysia.
- Regulators and Their Roles: Bank Negara Malaysia and other authorities.
- Reporting Institutions (RI): Responsibilities and compliance requirements.
- Policy Documents and Guidelines: Key features and recent updates.
- Local Case Studies: Real-world examples of compliance successes and failures.

Module 4: Group Activity & Presentations

- Collaborative Analysis: Participants work in groups on real-world scenarios.
- Presentations: Findings and recommended actions are shared and discussed

Course Schedule

08:30-09:00	09:00-10:30	10:30-11:00	11:00-13:00	13:00-14:00	14:00-15:30	15:30-16:00	16:00-17:00
Registration	Upskilling	Break	Upskilling	Break	Upskilling	Break	Upskilling

Agenda Day 2

All modules will be delivered across Day 1 and Day 2. However, the trainer may adjust the sequence, modify content, or emphasize specific topics based on the delegates' skills and experience.

Module 5: Due Diligence; Importance and Implementation

- Know Your Customer (KYC),
- Customer Due Diligence (CDD)
- Enhanced Customer Due Diligence (ECDD)
- Identifying PEPs, BO, UBO and Ultimate Control – Handling high-risk clients
- Examples of Real-Life Case Studies
- Group Activity, Case Studies Presentations and Discussions

Module 6: Risk Based Approach (RBA)

- Identification and Profiling
- Assessment, Control and Mitigation
- Reporting, Monitoring and Review
- Risk associated with failure to comply
- Examples of Real-Life Case Studies
- Group Activity, Case Studies Presentations and Discussions

Module 7: Suspicious Transaction Reporting (STR): Identifying, Investigating, and Reporting

- Identifying Suspicious Transactions
- Investigative Steps by Establishing the Reasonable Ground for Suspicion
- Recognising Suspicion Attempt
- Submission of STR
- Examples of Real-Life Case Studies
- Group Activity, Case Studies Presentations and Discussions

Module 8: Group Activity & Presentations

- Examples of Real-Life Case Studies
- Case Studies Presentations and Discussions

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Why Attend?

This workshop is designed for professionals responsible for compliance, risk management, and financial crime prevention, particularly those who play a role in safeguarding their organisation's regulatory integrity. This includes, but is not limited to:

Role	Relevancy	Why?
Compliance Officers/Managers	★★★★	You are directly responsible for AML/CFT policies, and this course enhances your practical skills with real case studies.
Finance / Accounting	★★★★	You'll better understand your role in detecting irregular financial flows and supporting STR investigations.
Risk / Crisis Management	★★★★	You'll learn how to identify, assess, and mitigate AML/CFT/CPF risks using a structured, risk-based approach.
AML Analysts / Investigators	★★★★	You will sharpen your ability to detect suspicious transactions, investigate them, and file STRs correctly.
Internal & External Auditors	★★★★	You gain insight into red flags, risk indicators, and gaps in AML/CFT processes to support stronger internal audits.
Legal & Regulatory Affairs Personnel	★★★	You'll better understand AMLA mechanisms and how evolving regulations impact your company's legal obligations.
Relationship Managers / Frontline Staff	★★★	You'll strengthen your ability to identify high-risk clients, conduct due diligence, and escalate suspicious activity.
Senior Management / Directors	★★★	You'll gain strategic oversight on AML/CFT risks and the importance of governance in protecting the organization.
Operations Managers	★★★	You'll learn how AML/CFT risks affect operational workflows and how to embed safeguards in customer-facing and transaction processes.

★★★★ Highly Relevant ★★★ Relevant ★ Somewhat Relevant

Course Trainer



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Dr. Nizam Shah is a globally recognized expert in governance, risk management, and compliance with over 23 years of experience in the monetary and financial industry. He is an Adjunct Professor of Business Administration at the University of Geomatika Malaysia, a Visiting Professor at Dili Institute of Technology (Timor-Leste), and a PhD Supervisor at SEGi University Malaysia.

His expertise spans corporate, conventional, and Islamic banking, audit review, operational risk management, regulatory compliance, digitalisation, Islamic FinTech, and corporate governance. Dr. Nizam holds a Ph.D. in Operational Risks Management (2022), an MBA, a Professional Certificate in Islamic FinTech, and a Bachelor of Accounting (Hons). He is an ASEAN CPA, Fellow of the International Compliance Association (UK), and an International Certified Black Belt (ICBB, USA). He also holds an AML/CFT Certification for Compliance Officers from Money Services Business Malaysia.

He has delivered training and consulting across ASEAN, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, Papua New Guinea, and Timor-Leste. Dr. Nizam's contributions have earned him national recognition, including the Malaysia Book of Records for his pioneering PhD research on Operational Risks Management between Islamic and Conventional Banking, and Britishpedia's "Successful People in Malaysia" for banking and finance.

Ranked #47 among Global Top Thought Leaders and Influencers in Risk Management, Business Continuity, and International Relations (2023), Dr. Nizam combines academic rigor, real-world experience, and international exposure to deliver training that is practical, actionable, and transformative.



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