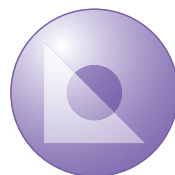


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# **ICA Certificated Financial Crime Awareness Training - Malta**

A certificated professional training  
programme for Malta practitioners in the  
Financial Services Sector

# An Introduction to the ICA International Certificated Financial Crime Awareness Training

Financial crime prevention remains high on the agenda of senior management. Many fraud and anti money laundering departments have been restructured in a bid to improve information sharing. Strategies have been developed involving investment in systems and training to ensure a robust defence from this ever-changing threat. Everyone within an organisation has a part to play in protecting a firm and there are many opportunities to develop knowledge and enhance performance.

With the responsibility for safeguarding a firm against the threat of fraud and financial crime being shared amongst all employees, it is important that any training undertaken provides detailed knowledge and practical skills. Having a staff appropriately trained can help protect a firm against the continuous threat from fraudsters. The International Compliance Association understand this need, which is why they have created a qualification, suitable for staff new to financial crime prevention that will deliver thorough learning and useful skills.

ICA International Certificated Financial Crime Awareness Training is unique. It is a certificated education programme. It will provide practical knowledge and useful skills that can be used in the workplace, enhancing performance and reducing risk. The course manual and support reading texts form a source of reference for the future. The course equips individuals with the necessary skills to enable them to adapt to present and future challenges and ultimately, it will help with any fraud prevention career aspirations.

Financial crime is constantly evolving. As one threat is countered, another emerges. With a knowledgeable fully trained staff, firms can achieve strong protection against this risk. ICA International Certificated Financial Crime Awareness Training can help develop a good understanding of the financial crime prevention fundamentals. As a result, financial and reputational risks are reduced, benefiting the firm.

Undertaking ICA International Certificated Financial Crime Awareness Training as part of a blended learning strategy will not only ensure staff have the required knowledge and skills but will provide verifiable proof of learning.

*“Good overview, liked the anecdotes and real life examples.”*  
Alexon Bell, Fortent

## Key Features

- An awareness level certificated programme
- Comprehensive, detailed course materials that can be used in the workplace
- Content written by experienced industry practitioners
- Specialist and Management modules
- Extensive support and resource material
- Focused on the Finance Industry
- Localised to Malta legislation and regulations

## Key Benefits

- Improved knowledge, developed skills
- Enhanced workplace performance
- Potential for career progression
- Allows the use of the designation, **Cert (FCA)**
- Reduced reputational and financial risk for firms
- Verifiable evidence of learning

## Who the Course will Benefit

- Financial crime prevention employees
- Fraud employees
- All individuals engaged in financial services and who aspire to a career in anti money laundering or fraud / financial crime prevention

## Duration of Programme

We understand the nature of the work / life balance. With that in mind, we have structured the programme to allow for maximum flexibility, accommodating the demands of family, career and study. The programme can usually be completed between 2 and 3 months.

## Continuing Professional Education (CPE)

Students can claim 8 hours of CPE activity in line with the provisions of Article 4.9 of the regulations of the Malta Institute of Accountants.

## Admission Requirements

ICA Certificated International Financial Crime Awareness Training is open to anyone who is interested in financial crime or fraud prevention. The content of the programme requires delegates to possess:

- Good reading and writing skills

**If you would like to discuss the programme and how it might fit in with your current role and career aspirations, contact *ifs* Malta for an informal discussion.**



## Programme Summary

ICA Certificated International Financial Crime Awareness Training will teach staff how to identify fraud and minimise risk. Early detection can make a significant difference so the programme teaches staff what to do in the event of suspicion. It also highlights the consequences when suspicions are ignored.

There are many different types of fraud and the course covers the vast majority. It looks at legislation, regulation and UK, European and International best practice. It reflects on the common behaviour characteristics of fraudsters. Consideration is given to internal controls, including the creation of a fraud awareness policy, which often proves to be very beneficial in the workplace.

By the end of the course, a great deal of material will have been covered and individuals will be able to approach their responsibilities with confidence. A good basis of knowledge will have been acquired on which to progress a career in anti money laundering or fraud / financial crime prevention.

### Core Module

- Understanding Financial Crime
- The Criminal Offences
- Identifying Financial Crime Risks
- Understanding Anti Fraud Strategies
- Identity Theft, Computer Fraud and Internet Fraud

### Management Module

- Carrying out a Risk Assessment
- Anti Fraud Strategies
- Effective Control and Prevention Procedures
- A Fraud Adverse Culture

### Specialist Modules

- Customer Account Fraud
- Deposit Fraud
- Lending and Credit Fraud
- Finance Industry
  - AML Requirements
  - Record keeping
  - Risk based approach
  - Customer Risk
  - Transaction Risk
  - Monitoring Customers and Transactions
  - Suspicious activity
  - Red Flags



### Fees

The total fee for the programme amounts to € 315.00. Special discount rates apply for a group of minimum 10 registrants from the same company.

### How to Apply

You can apply by submitting the enrolment form electronically on [info@ifsmalta.org](mailto:info@ifsmalta.org) or by mail to **ifs Malta, 60, G'Mangia Hill, Pieta PTA 1316**

### Programme Study Options

The course is offered through distance learning with flexible workshop/s.

#### Workshop

The course comprises a full-day workshop of up to 8 hours of face to face contact with a professional tutor/s. These workshop sessions provide an opportunity for interaction and networking.

### Summary of Study Format

All candidates who enrol on the course will receive:

- Course manuals, support readings and texts
- On-line support
- Study Handbook

### Course Assessment

- 1 hour testing session. This assessment takes place at the end of the workshop session.





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The International Compliance Association is a professional organisation with a global membership. It is dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in compliance, anti-money laundering and financial crime prevention. Working predominantly in the financial services sector, the International Compliance Association delivers accredited learning through its training division, International Compliance Training (ICT). ICT delivers comprehensive education programmes and develops and supports compliance and anti money laundering professionals globally. The International Compliance Association is the government appointed Lead Provider of Financial Industry Competency Standards accredited training and assessment programmes in the field of compliance in Singapore. The ICA works closely with University of Manchester Business School who are ICA's quality assurance partner.

## Details of Other Qualifications Available

The International Compliance Association delivers a wide range of qualifications worldwide. Certificate programmes are designed for entry-level staff, new to a particular discipline. Content focuses on awareness and on the introduction of the key issues involved. These programmes form a solid foundation for future learning. Advanced Programmes are available for those who wish to develop their understanding still further. Diploma programmes are designed for more senior practitioners, those who have already amassed a level of experience. Certificate, Advanced and Diploma programmes cover the following subjects:

- Anti Money Laundering
- Compliance
- Financial Crime Prevention

Should you wish to register your interest to pursue one of these specialised qualifications kindly contact the **ifs Malta** on Tel: **21240335** or E-mail: **info@ifsmalta.org**

## The International Compliance Association and Standards of Competence

The International Compliance Association has been working with the Financial Services Skills Council in the United Kingdom to develop Standards of Competence for the industry, concentrating on anti money laundering and compliance specifically. These Standards are now the National Occupational Standards in the UK. They have been developed with industry representatives as a benchmark for best practice.

The International Compliance Association UK Diplomas in Anti Money Laundering, Compliance and Financial Crime Prevention have been mapped against these Standards at the highest level. The International Compliance Association is making these standards freely available to all regulators worldwide and hopes that they will be adopted by other jurisdictions over time. For more information about these Standards visit, [www.fssc.org.uk](http://www.fssc.org.uk)

## Institute of Financial Services (Malta)

Founded in 1960, the Institute of Financial Services (Malta) has been at the forefront of the Maltese financial education for fifty years. The Institute has developed into an independent body that has kept to its promise to support the "promotion and advancement of knowledge and education in the principles and practices of the financial services sector for the benefit of the public at large"



**ifs Malta** has succeeded to position itself as a reputable organisation amongst a vast network of financial organisations, and thus enjoys a deeper relationship with the local financial services industry than any other similar organisations. This gives it a powerful resource base for producing in-depth insights into the future challenges facing the sector. These insights are a valuable service to its members and the industry as a whole to continue providing a platform of financial education whilst producing educational programmes and resources for the benefit of the financial industry.

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