

Training Course on Cross-Border Investigations and International Legal Frameworks

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Digital Forensics	Duration	10 Days
Base Fee	\$3,000 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this training, participants will be able to:

1. **Master** the intricacies of planning and executing multi-jurisdictional investigations with a focus on digital evidence and financial trails.
2. **Navigate** the complex web of international legal frameworks, including Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties (MLATs) and extradition protocols.
3. **Leverage** cutting-edge digital forensics and e-discovery tools for the lawful collection and preservation of electronic evidence across borders.
4. **Implement** robust Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Counter-Financing of Terrorism (CFT) compliance programs in a global context.
5. **Conduct** effective due diligence and risk assessments for international partnerships and transactions.
6. **Develop** and implement strategies for managing data privacy and cybersecurity risks in cross-border investigations, including GDPR and other emerging regulations.
7. **Utilize** open-source intelligence (OSINT) and advanced data analytics to proactively identify and investigate transnational criminal activities.
8. **Lead** internal investigations into allegations of bribery, corruption, and fraud in international operations.
9. **Collaborate** effectively with foreign law enforcement agencies, regulatory bodies, and legal counsel.

10. **Analyze** and interpret complex financial data to trace illicit funds and assets across multiple jurisdictions.
11. **Understand** the growing importance of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) factors in international investigations.
12. **Prepare** and present compelling evidence for use in international arbitration and litigation.
13. **Anticipate** and adapt to emerging trends in cross-border crime, including the use of cryptocurrencies and AI-driven fraud.

Organizational Benefits

- **Enhanced Global Compliance:** Strengthen your organization's adherence to international laws and regulations, reducing the risk of costly penalties and sanctions.
- **Proactive Risk Mitigation:** Develop the in-house expertise to identify and address potential legal and reputational risks before they escalate.
- **Improved Investigative Outcomes:** Increase the efficiency and effectiveness of internal and external investigations, leading to more successful resolutions.
- **Greater Stakeholder Confidence:** Demonstrate a commitment to ethical and lawful conduct, enhancing trust among investors, customers, and partners.
- **Competitive Advantage:** Position your organization as a leader in corporate governance and international best practices.

Target Participants

1. In-House Counsel and Legal Professionals
2. Compliance and Ethics Officers
3. Internal Auditors and Forensic Accountants
4. Law Enforcement and Government Investigators
5. Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics Specialists
6. Risk Management Professionals
7. Intelligence Analysts
8. Senior Management and Executives with international responsibilities

Course Modules

Module 1: The Landscape of Cross-Border Investigations

- Understanding the drivers of transnational crime.
- Key challenges in multi-jurisdictional investigations.
- The role of international cooperation and comity.
- The impact of geopolitical factors on investigations.
- **Case Study:** The 1MDB scandal and the complexities of a global corruption investigation.

Module 2: Foundations of International Legal Frameworks

- Sources of international law: treaties, conventions, and customary law.
- Navigating different legal systems: common law vs. civil law.
- The principle of dual criminality.
- Understanding jurisdiction in a borderless world.
- **Case Study:** The Lockerbie bombing investigation and the application of international criminal law.

Module 3: Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties (MLATs) in Practice

- The purpose and scope of MLATs.
- Drafting effective MLA requests.
- Common obstacles and delays in the MLA process.
- Alternatives to formal MLAT requests.
- **Case Study:** A comparative analysis of MLAT effectiveness between the US and various European nations.

Module 4: Extradition: Law and Procedure

- The legal basis for extradition.
- The extradition process from request to surrender.
- Bars to extradition: political offenses, human rights concerns.
- "Red Notices" and their role in international law enforcement.
- **Case Study:** The extradition of Julian Assange and its legal and political ramifications.

Module 5: Digital Evidence in a Borderless World

- The challenges of collecting electronic evidence across jurisdictions.
- The Cloud Act and its international implications.
- Ensuring the admissibility of digital evidence in foreign courts.
- Techniques for preserving the chain of custody for digital artifacts.
- **Case Study:** A cybercrime investigation involving servers and data stored in multiple countries.

Module 6: Advanced Digital Forensics and e-Discovery

- Cutting-edge tools and techniques in digital forensics.
- Mobile device forensics in international investigations.
- Managing large-scale e-discovery projects across different legal systems.
- The use of AI and machine learning in evidence review.
- **Case Study:** A complex intellectual property theft investigation with digital evidence scattered globally.

Module 7: Tackling International Financial Crime: AML & CFT

- The global AML/CFT framework and the role of the FATF.
- Conducting effective customer due diligence (CDD) and enhanced due diligence (EDD).
- Identifying and reporting suspicious transactions.
- The use of cryptocurrencies in money laundering.
- **Case Study:** The Danske Bank money laundering scandal and the failures of AML controls.

Module 8: Investigating Bribery and Corruption Across Borders

- The UK Bribery Act and the US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA).
- Conducting internal investigations into bribery allegations.
- The role of whistleblowers in uncovering corruption.
- Third-party risk management in high-risk jurisdictions.
- **Case Study:** The Siemens corruption case and its global settlement.

Module 9: Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) for Investigators

- Leveraging publicly available information for investigative leads.
- Tools and techniques for effective OSINT gathering.
- Ethical and legal considerations in using OSINT.

- Social media intelligence in cross-border investigations.
- **Case Study:** Using OSINT to track the assets of sanctioned individuals.

Module 10: Data Privacy and Cybersecurity in Investigations

- The impact of the GDPR on cross-border data transfers.
- Navigating data blocking statutes and secrecy laws.
- Developing a cyber incident response plan with international dimensions.
- The role of encryption and anonymization in criminal activity.
- **Case Study:** A data breach investigation involving a multinational corporation and multiple data protection authorities.

Module 11: Asset Tracing and Recovery in a Global Context

- Techniques for identifying and tracing illicitly obtained assets.
- The role of freezing and confiscation orders.
- Engaging with asset recovery networks and agencies.
- The challenges of recovering assets from non-cooperative jurisdictions.
- **Case Study:** The recovery of assets linked to the Nigerian Abacha regime.

Module 12: The Rise of ESG and its Impact on Investigations

- Understanding the intersection of ESG and corporate misconduct.
- Investigating allegations of greenwashing and human rights abuses in supply chains.
- The role of ESG ratings in risk assessment.
- Reporting and disclosure of ESG-related investigations.
- **Case Study:** An investigation into forced labor in the supply chain of a major apparel company.

Module 13: International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution

- The role of arbitration in resolving cross-border disputes.
- Gathering and presenting evidence in international arbitration.
- Enforcement of arbitral awards across jurisdictions.
- The interplay between arbitration and criminal investigations.
- **Case Study:** A commercial dispute involving parallel arbitration and criminal proceedings in different countries.

Module 14: Working with International Partners

- Building effective relationships with foreign law enforcement and legal counsel.
- Cultural considerations in international cooperation.
- Managing joint investigations and information sharing.
- The role of liaison officers and international legal attachés.
- **Case Study:** A successful joint investigation between the FBI and Europol into a major cybercrime ring.

Module 15: The Future of Cross-Border Investigations

- The impact of emerging technologies like AI and blockchain.
- The rise of "investigations as a service."
- The increasing focus on individual accountability.
- Predictive analytics and proactive threat identification.

- **Case Study:** A forward-looking analysis of how a major financial institution is preparing for the future of cross-border investigations.

Training Methodology

This course will be delivered using a dynamic and interactive methodology, including:

- Expert-led presentations and discussions.
- In-depth analysis of real-world case studies.
- Practical exercises and simulation-based learning.
- Group work and collaborative problem-solving.
- Guest speakers from law enforcement, regulatory agencies, and leading law firms.

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

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Key Notes

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
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21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
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