

Decision of the Management Board 19/2019/MB

**ADOPTING OF THE UPDATED CONTENT DESCRIPTION OF THE ONLINE
MODULE**

**MONEY LAUNDERING
AND REPEALING DECISION 23/2014/GB**

Adopted by the Management Board

On 20 November 2019

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2015/2219 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL) and replacing and repealing Council Decision 2005/681/JHA¹, and in particular Article 9(1)(s) thereof,

Having regard to the Management Board Decision 15/2019/MB amending Decision 32/2018/MB on the CEPOL Single Programming Document: 2019-2021;

Whereas:

- (1) The steps to be taken and matching responsibilities in the development of the online learning modules are based on Governing Board Decisions 2/2009/GB and 18/2010/GB.
- (2) The content of the module was developed by experts appointed with the Executive Director's Decision 06/2019/DIR.
- (3) CEPOL National Units, National and Organisational, Contact Points and the Commission DG HOME have been involved in the final validation of the content of the online learning module.
- (4) It is for the Management Board on the basis of Article 9(1)(s) of Regulation (EU) 2015/2219 of the European Parliament and of the Council to adopt the content descriptions of the online learning modules.
- (5) There is a need to repeal Decision 23/2014/GB adopting the existing content description of the Online Learning Module on Money Laundering;

¹ OJ L319, 4.12.2015, p.1.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Content Description of the Online Learning Module Money Laundering as detailed in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

The present Decision shall take effect on the day following that of its adoption.

Done at Tampere, on 20 November 2019

For the Management Board

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Dr Kimmo Himberg
Chair of the Management Board

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A. Product Breakdown Structure

The Product Breakdown Structure (PBS) represents the content of the *Money Laundering* module as it is set up in the online learning environment. Key sections of the PBS are displayed below, covering the online learning module's topics of the Knowledge Landscape and the keywords.

Money Laundering Knowledge Landscape:

1. Module introduction
2. Modi operandi
3. Anti-money laundering measures
4. Terrorist financing
5. Sources of information
6. FIUs
7. International cooperation, networks and bodies
8. Investigation and prosecution
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B. Elaboration of the Content – Knowledge Landscape

The module was developed with the aim aims to give users a broad understanding of money laundering phenomena, including operational, investigative and other law enforcement activities (legislation, trends and tendencies, available tools, etc.). More specifically, this e-learning module is designed to equip the learner with a good understanding of the elements and processes of money laundering, including:

- the stages and techniques of money laundering;
- the detection of money laundering by using a wide range of analytical and investigative tools;
- the techniques of financial investigation aimed at identifying indicators of money laundering;
- the various governmental and private institutions and networks available at national, European and international level, which complement their investigative skills through the acquisition of knowledge on international anti-money laundering countermeasures.

Following Introduction of the module (Chapter 1), Chapter 2 describes in detail the various *modi operandi* used by criminals to launder money. The third chapter clarifies a preventive anti-money laundering (AML) approach, which needs to be adopted globally, in accordance with the FATF Recommendations and the EU AML directives. Chapter 4 describes what terrorist financing is and its features, including its *modi operandi*, the measures introduced to combat it, and the applicable regulations (FATF Recommendations, EU directives and other international legislation). Chapter 5 provides an overview of information sources available to investigators involved in money laundering cases. This information can be used in the analytical work, financial investigation and prosecution of money laundering. The sixth chapter deals with the roles of the different types of Financial Intelligence Units (FIUs), which coordinate efforts to prevent and detect money laundering. Chapter 7 focuses on the support provided by international organisations (such as the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) and the Egmont Group), networks (such as the AMON network), and cooperation tools (the joint investigation team (JIT)). These can empower operational cooperation between Member States and with non-EU countries. Chapter 8 describes the most important parts of the anti-money laundering investigation process – from when the crime is detected, investigated and prosecuted, and the suspects are identified, accused and convicted. Chapter 9 is closely related to money laundering and covers the process of asset recovery, specifically the identification, freezing, management, confiscation and disposal of criminal proceeds. It also discusses international cooperation and other aspects. Chapter 10 discusses the main obstacles and challenges faced in combating money laundering. The final chapter module describes the international legislation used by law enforcement to prevent and combat money laundering.

C. Diagnostic Self Evaluation: My progress

Users can test their own knowledge on *Money Laundering* at any time while using the online module through the My Progress section of the module. Test items, in the form of True/False questions, are pooled according to the recurring topics of the knowledge landscape. A random selection of the items will be offered to users every time they decide to take the self-test for each of the individual topics. Based on the outcomes of the self-test, users will receive feedback and reflection possibilities, which enable them to increase their further professionalisation in the domain of the module.

D. Glossary

The keywords and acronyms from individual chapters are listed together (in alphabetical order) in the online module and are provided to the user to aid navigation through the material.

Annex I

Money Laundering **Online Module Content**

(The content of the module will be made **available only** in a restricted area in CEPOL's e-Net),