

Symposium on Money Laundering, Tax Evasion and Tax Havens



Host and Sponsor: Faculty of Economics and Business
University of Sydney

Date: Friday, 7 November
8.00 am – 5.00 pm

Location: Cornwallis Suites
Observatory Hotel
89-113 Kent Street, Sydney

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Programme:

8.00 am Registration. Delegates arrive with Arrival Tea and Coffee.

8.30 am Crimes of the powerful – Liechtenstein/Switzerland case study

Dr David Chaikin, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Sydney, Barrister, consultant Financial Action Task Force and Asia Pacific Group on Money Laundering 2006-2007

9.15 am Money laundering and tax evasion risks – a compliance perspective

Zoe Lester, Group AML/CTF Compliance Manager, St George Bank, PhD candidate, Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Sydney

9.45 am The practical aspects of anti-money laundering systems – feeding the suspicion

Joy Geary, Managing Director of AML Master and editor of the AFMA Anti Money Laundering magazine

10.30 am Morning Tea

11.00 am Implementing anti-money laundering legislation and the professions

Steve Mark, Legal Services Commissioner (NSW)

11.30 am Risks for tax promoters, participants and professional advisers

Professor Gordon Cooper AM, FCA, Member, NSW Tax Agents Board, Visiting Professorial Fellow, ATAX, University of New South Wales

12.00 pm How effective are anti-money laundering systems in combating tax evasion

Neil Jensen, PSM, Director of the Australian Transaction Reports & Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC)

Question period

1.00 pm Lunch in Galileo Restaurant

2.00 pm What can anti-money laundering policy and enforcement authorities learn from tax administration?

Keynote international speaker:

Professor Richard Gordon, Case Western Reserve University and Brown University, consultant IMF, World Bank and UN Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force, Visiting Scholar, Faculty of Economic and Business, University of Sydney

2.30 pm Hypothetical – legal, ethical and compliance issues

Chairperson: Dr David Chaikin

Panel Discussants:

Tony Byrne, Senior Executive Manager, Commonwealth Bank

Alison Deitz, Partner and National Head of Retail Banking, Deacons

Joy Geary

Neil Jensen

Steve Mark

3.50 pm Afternoon Tea

4.15 pm International financial centres, tax havens and money laundering havens

Professor Richard Gordon

Associate Professor Jason Sharman, Queen Elizabeth 11 Fellow, Griffith University, author “Havens in a Storm: The Struggle for Global Tax Regulation”

5.00 pm Conference Closes