

Financial Intelligence Analyst Course (FIAC)

AUSTRAC developed this innovative world-first course with input from law enforcement partner agencies, industry, academia, and our US counterpart the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN).

FIAC is a key response to Fintel Alliance's plan to develop a shared approach to building skills, capability and tradecraft to prevent, detect, understand and disrupt financial crime.

What we're doing

We want FIAC to become the national and global pinnacle of training in financial intelligence, and a mechanism to harness public/private skills. A successful two-week pilot course was held in early 2017. We are working with a major Australian university to gain university-level accreditation for FIAC. The training includes:

- financial intelligence tradecraft – what do intelligence analysts need to learn to become financial intelligence analysts?
- subject matter knowledge – what do financial intelligence analysts need to know to deliver value?

FIAC also includes: collecting and collating financial data and information; using financial analytical tools and techniques to make

deductions and judgements; and identifying money laundering/terrorism financing patterns, trends, and risks.

Participants will bring existing experience in generic intelligence principles and processes. Their skills will be expanded by exploring financial intelligence methodologies, techniques and strategies in detail. FIAC participants will:

- acquire industry knowledge of banking, remittance, and gambling sectors
- develop knowledge of crime types such as professional money launderers, organised crime, terrorist groups and terrorism financing, as well as misuse of cryptocurrencies and Darknet Marketplaces
- orientation to criminology and policing and how to influence clients through high-quality analysis.

Benefits to the Australian community

Fintel Alliance partners are working collaboratively to uphold the integrity and transparency of Australia's financial system. We aim to make Australia the most difficult jurisdiction in the world for organised crime and terrorism financiers to operate in.

Fintel Alliance will be relentless in pursuing the profits that serious financial crime generates. There will be nowhere in our financial system for criminals to hide.

World-first expert training in financial intelligence

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