

Welcome to InBrief

Welcome to the March issue of InBrief, where we bring you the latest news and updates from AUSTRAC.

In this issue you will find information about:

- the AML/CTF reforms, including the new tipping off offence
- our approach to co-design and how we work with businesses and industry
- how we're working to prevent criminals from exploiting cryptocurrency ATMs for serious crimes

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Feature article



Our approach to Co-design

We have worked to solidify our principles and guardrails for how we approach co-design and the steps we will take on current and future initiatives, ensuring appropriate stakeholder representation and

effective, efficient and practical solutions.

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Reform updates



AML/CTF Reform webpage – the home for everything reform Get up to speed with the latest on the AML/CTF Reform in this new section of the website.

Learn more about the reform webpage



AUSTRAC continues engaging with businesses on new AML/CTF Rules

The new rules reflect reforms to the AML/CTF Act, which aim to help businesses better understand their legal obligations.

Read more about the new rules

Industry guidance

Time is running out to submit your **2024 compliance report**





New tipping off offence now in effect

The new tipping off offence focuses on whether disclosing information protected by the tipping off offence would or could reasonably be expected to prejudice an investigation.

Learn more about the tipping off offence



How to write a good quality threshold transaction report A new e-learning module is now available to help you follow best practice and avoid common mistakes when writing threshold transaction reports.

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More from AUSTRAC



AUSTRAC puts crypto ATM providers on notice

We're working hard to ensure cryptocurrency ATMs aren't being used for money laundering, terrorism financing and other serious crimes.

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Harnessing data for a clearer picture of money laundering

Learn about our Fintel Alliance's fast and efficient approach to studying huge amounts of banking data to identify financial crime.

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Duped by love: how a romance scam led to money laundering

He thought he was helping a girlfriend. Instead, he was being used by criminals to convert dirty money to cryptocurrency.

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Recap of the first AUSTRAC Industry Forums

As part of the AML/CTF reforms, a program of forums have been held with industry associations.

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