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**Would you like to become "ACAMS® Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist" and to have a deep view on PML in Europe and in the world?
Join us for an enlightening seminar in Luxembourg!**

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

"The current financial crisis poses many challenges to all countries. The need for enhanced transparency and financial integrity in national financial systems is more important than ever. (...) Money laundering is a serious crime that affects the economy as a whole, impeding the social, economic, political, and cultural development of societies worldwide. Over the last decades, globalization has been accompanied by the growth of cross-border and national underground economies fuelled by illegal businesses. Such criminal activities as drug trafficking, human trafficking, migrant smuggling, traffic in body organs and firearms, as well as prostitution and racketeering, have generated immense profits that boost demand for money laundering. Fighting money laundering involves combating the recycling of illegally gained proceeds and providing additional tools to detect and go after the underlying crime."
(Chatain, McDowell, Schott, Van der Does de Willebois, & Mousset, 2009).

For this reason, the Fund to Fight Drug Trafficking Luxembourg decided to support the participation of **15 professionals from its partner countries** in the seminar **Prevention of Money Laundering Level II & Preparation course to the CAMS® certification exam** which will be implemented by the **Financial Technology Transfer Agency (ATTF – www.attf.lu)**.

This well-established programme will keep the improvements of the 2014's edition:

- ✓ The CAMS® exam will be in the core of all the lectures including the ones given by local experts.
- ✓ in addition to the preparation day for the CAMS® exam, the CAMS® expert will spend one extra day with the participants sharing his international experience and exploring a macro view of PML.

Who can apply?

Any professional who:

- ✓ fits the target group specified on the Organisation Sheet attached to this invitation;
- ✓ is motivated to deepen his/her knowledge of PML and is aiming to sit the CAMS® exam;
- ✓ is a citizen of one of the 43 ATTF partner countries: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cape Verde, China, Cyprus, Croatia, Czech Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Macedonia, Malta, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, Vietnam and countries from the Central Bank of West African States.



How to apply

Deadline for application: 12 July 2015

Interested professionals are kindly requested to fill in the attached ATTF and ACAMS application forms and to send them back to the ATTF official contact in their country (from whom the present invitation was received) **by 12 July 2015**

We kindly ask you NOT to send any document to ACAMS.

ATTF will liaise with ACAMS to ensure you are granted a membership at a discount rate (which will be included in your contribution fee to this seminar) and that your inscription to sit the exam in Luxembourg is done and invoiced to ATTF, who will cover its cost using the mandate from the Fund to Fight drug trafficking Luxembourg.

Selection Process

The selection committee is composed of ATTF, IFBL and ACAMS experts. They will carefully exam each application and will select the best candidates according to the relevance of applicants' profile and its correspondence to the target group mentioned in the organisation sheet attached to this invitation. The geographical criterion will NOT be considered.

When and where will the seminar take place?

This 5½-day multinational seminar will be held in Luxembourg from **12 to 19 October, 2015** (arrival date: Sunday 11 October, departure date: Tuesday 20 October) and will be organised as follows:

- **12 to 15 October, 2015:** Lectures on **Prevention of Money Laundering** by several senior experts, jointly organised by ATTF, the Institute for Training in Banking Luxembourg, IFBL (www.ifbl.lu) and ACAMS, Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (www.acams.org).
- **16 October, 2015: Preparation session to the CAMS® certification examination** which will be held by an ACAMS specialist. This session is jointly organized by ATTF and ACAMS, Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (www.acams.org).
- **19 October, 2015: CAMS® certification examination**
Will be held in a certified ACAMS® examination centre and will be administered in a computer-based format (CBT). For more information on this examination, please refer to <http://www.acams.org/ACAMS/ACAMS/Certification>.

The seminar and the exam will be conducted in English without any translation.

Therefore a **sound knowledge of English** is essential to ensure all participants maximise their benefit from the course and are able to succeed in the exam.

This seminar requires a commitment from the candidates from the moment of their selection as an online material will be sent to them to be studied in advance. We must call your attention to the fact that the learning experience during the seminar and the results of the exam are directly linked to the study of this on-line material during the months that precede the seminar.

Participating in this seminar will be an unique opportunity for you to meet and interact with highly qualified lecturers as well as to exchange views and experiences with AML professionals from different countries, including Luxembourg. In addition, if you succeed the CAMS® certification, it will certainly be a fantastic asset for your career.

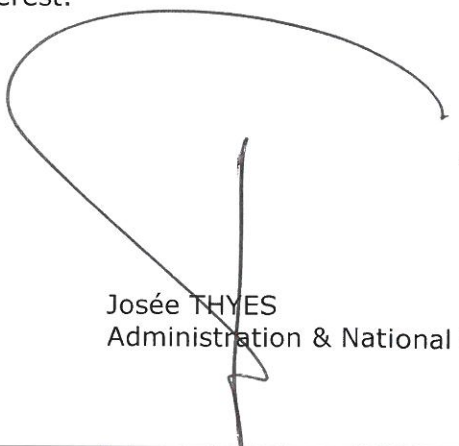
Should you need any further information regarding this seminar, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you in advance for your interest.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luciele MILANI'.

Luciele MILANI
Project Officer

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Josée THYES'.

Josée THYES
Administration & National Programmes Director

Please note that the multinational seminar Prevention of Money Laundering & Terrorism Financing – Foundation Level will be organised by ATTF & IFBL in Luxembourg from 15 to 19 February 2016.

This programme will target junior AML & compliance officers, relationship managers, risk managers, internal auditors from Central & commercial banks as well as of financial institutions. In addition, officers of supervision authorities confronted to the subject are also welcome to send their applications.

Appendices:

- ✓ Organisation sheet and content
- ✓ ATTF application form
- ✓ Financial conditions
- ✓ CAMS Examination Application
- ✓ ACAMS Eligibility form

