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### US-MENA Private Sector Dialogue (PSD) 2025:

#### Advancing Financial Compliance in a Rapidly Evolving Global Landscape

What's New in US Laws - AML/CFT   Correspondent Banking   AI, Digital Assets & Cross-Boarder Payments

October 10th, 2025

Hosted by 

Headquarters: 240 Greenwich St. New York, NY 10286

#### AGENDA & TIME TABLE

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08:00 – 09:00      Registration & Morning Coffee

#### Welcoming Speeches & Opening Remarks

09:00 – 10:30

#### Opening Remarks

- **Mr. Sean O'Malley**, Managing Director, Head of the Financial Intelligence & Investigations Unit, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
- **Mrs. Maria Judah**, Director, Terrorist Financing Targeting Center, Assistant Director, Middle East Office of Terrorist Financing and Financial Crimes, U.S. Department of The Treasury
- **Mr. Mohamed El-Etreby**, Chairman, Union of Arab Banks
- **Dr. Wissam H. Fattouh**, Secretary General, Union of Arab Banks, & Chairman, MENA Financial Crime Compliance Group - MENAFCCG
- **Dr. Muhammad Baasiri**, President, US-MENA PSD initiative
- **Bank of New York (Host)**

#### Keynote Remarks

- **Mr. Rory CORCORAN**, Directorate Coordinator, INTERPOL Financial Crime and Anti-Corruption Centre
- **Ms. Sandra Ro**, CEO, Global Blockchain Business Council and Member of US CFTC GMAC Digital Asset Markets Subcommittee/ USA

10:30 – 12:00

### **Session I: Strengthening and Modernizing Financial Institutions' AML/CFT Programs**

This Session will focus on:

- What's New in US AML/CFT Programs for Financial Institutions
- Integrating National AML/CFT Priorities into Institutional Risk Assessment Frameworks (FinCen Fact Sheet June 28,2024)
- Advancing Risk-Based Approaches for More Effective AML/CFT Compliance and Embedding Governance at Board-Level for Institutional Resilience
- Compliance Challenges Facing Arab Banks, Iraq & Syria Developments and Global Sanctions Update.

#### **Scene Setter**

- **Mr. Sean O'Malley**, Managing Director, Head of the Financial Intelligence & Investigations Unit, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

#### **Panelists**

- **Mr. Chip Poncy**, Global co-head, K2 Integrity Financial Crimes Risk Management Practice, USA
- **Mrs. Jacqueline Shire**, Head of Anti-Money Laundering and Trading Compliance, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
- **Dr. Mazen Soueid**, Chairman, Banking Control Commission, Lebanon
- **Mr. Sameer Pandit**, MD/Chief Compliance Officer – Treasury Services, Global Client Management & Credit Services, BNY
- **Mr. Jamal El-Hindi**, Counsel, Clifford Chance US LLP, Former Acting Direction FinCen, US Treasury, USA
- **Mr. Mitch Berger**, Senior Partner, Squire Patton Boggs
- **Mr. Adam Famularo**, CEO, WorkFusion

#### **Moderator**

- **Chahdan Jebeyli, Esq.** Senior International Adviser Legal and Compliance, Union of Arab Banks, & Lebanese Banks Association

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12:00 – 13:30

### **Business Lunch & Networking**

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13:30 – 14:45

### **Session II: Safeguarding Correspondent Banking Access: Rising Compliance Expectations and Emerging Challenges**

This Session will focus on:

- Meeting the Evolving Correspondent Bank Requirements with Transparency as a Must and Ongoing Dialogue while addressing De-Risking Pressures.
- Key Regulatory Developments in the MENA Region Strengthening Corporate Governance.
- Cash Economies and Informal Finance: A Compliance Risk Multiplier
- Money Service Providers and Shadow Banking: A Rising Challenge to Compliance

### Panelists

- **Mr. Rashid Naseem**, Director Risk Management/ Head Specialized Risk Management, Markets Group, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
- **Mrs. Myriam Khairallah**, Expert, 1267/1988 Monitoring Team, United Nations Security Council
- **Mrs. Sarah K. Runge**, Executive Managing Director, K2 Integrity & Former US Treasury FATF Lead
- **Mr. David Wildner**, Global Head of AML / Deputy Global Head of FCC, BNY
- **Mr. Arz El Murr**, Senior Financial Sector Expert, International Monetary Fund (IMF), USA
- **Mr. Michael Matossian**, Global Head of Group Regulatory Compliance, Arab Bank Group

### Moderator

- **Chahdan Jebeyli, Esq.** Senior International Adviser Legal and Compliance, Union of Arab Banks, & Lebanese Banks Association

14:45 – 15:30

### Session III: Governing the Digital Financial Ecosystem and Utilizing AI

#### This Session will focus on:

- Main emerging digital finance tools and the importance of tackling their cross border dimensions
- Supervising Digital Finance: Technical Risks and Illicit Crypto Channels
- Institutional Risk Controls in Cross-Border Digital Asset Transfers: Strengthening VASP Compliance and Mitigating Technical Risks
- Harnessing Artificial Intelligence to Strengthen AML/CFT Efforts and Financial System Integrity

### Panelists

- **Mr. Bhavin Shah**, Managing Director, Secretariat, UAE
- **Mr. Stuart Jones, Jr.**, CEO, Sigma360, USA
- **Mrs. Gretel Echarte Morales**, Counsel, Mayer Brown LLP, USA
- **Mr. Sterling Daines**, Managing Director, Risk & Compliance, BNY

### Moderator

- **Eng. Suleiman Baradah**, Managing Partner, Xeevolve / Qatar

15:30 – 15:45

### Closing Remarks (UAB, FRBNY and BNY)

15:45 – 16:30

### Networking and B2B Meetings

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