

AMLA's Inaugural Conference: EU Pushes for Stronger AML/CFT Coordination

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On 9 June 2026, the Authority for Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (AMLA) held its first public conference, bringing together over 360 participants from all 27 EU Member States, with additional stakeholders following online via livestream. Attendees included representatives of EU institutions, national supervisory and law enforcement authorities, financial intelligence units, the private financial sector, technology firms, academia, and international organisations, covering the full spectrum of Europe's anti-money laundering ecosystem.

The conference took place to mark AMLA's first public engagement since its establishment and to signal its operational launch. According to the authority, the event aimed to assemble stakeholders across the EU to discuss evolving financial crime risks, foster cooperation, and support the implementation of anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing (AML/CFT) rules.

Discussions centred on three main priorities:

- Improving the effectiveness of financial intelligence in detecting and investigating illicit activity;
- Strengthening consistency in supervision across EU Member States;
- Addressing emerging risks linked to artificial intelligence, crypto-assets, and digital financial services.

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