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# FINANCIAL CRIME MASTERCLASS SERIES 2026

## CYBERCRIME: MANAGING CONVERGING THREATS IN AML COMPLIANCE

## AN EXCLUSIVE FINANCIAL CRIME MASTERCLASS SERIES FOR AFB MEMBERS

The AFB Financial Crime Masterclass series launched successfully in 2025 and was attended by over 200 Financial Crime professionals. Developed in conjunction with Great Chatwell Academy of Learning, and exclusive to AFB, the series returns in 2026 with five pertinent topics within the world of Financial Crime.

Held in-person and delivered by Lee Byrne from AFB's training partner Great Chatwell Academy of Learning (GCAL), each session is CPD accredited and designed specifically for international firms operating in the UK.

Each masterclass is outcomes-focussed and highly interactive. All courses are designed to provide answers to operational and technical issues that risk and compliance professionals must address in 2026 and beyond.

Masterclasses will run from 09:30 – 12:30 with registration from 09:00 on the following dates:

25/03/2026 - Mitigating Trade Based Money Laundering (TBML) in Trade Finance

14/05/2026 - Suspicious Activity Reporting in Practice: Detect, Decide, Disclose

**15/07/2026 - Cybercrime: Managing Converging Threats in AML Compliance**

08/09/2026 - Correspondent Banking (Mitigating the Risks in Respondent Relationships)

10/11/2026 - Managing Sanctions Risks (Identifying the Risks in Transactions and Trade)

All sessions will be held at a central London location.

## ABOUT GREAT CHATWELL ACADEMY OF LEARNING

Great Chatwell are trusted partners and providers of risk and compliance guidance, support, and training for more than 5,000 employees and more than 100 regulated and supervised businesses with UK and international risk management responsibilities. This includes representation from a wide range of financial sectors, including retail and commercial banks, trade-finance, correspondent banking, payment and e-money providers, consumer credit, supply chain finance, residential and commercial lending and crypto-currency.



## COURSE INSTRUCTOR – LEE BYRNE & INVITED GUESTS



Lee Byrne is a highly respected financial crime compliance leader who has spent his career contributing to the fight against crime, operationally as an MLRO and nominated officer, and most recently as the founder of Great Chatwell Academy of Learning through the design and delivery of role-specific training for firms and individuals.

As part of this programme of tailored support for the AFB, Lee will be joined by carefully selected senior practitioners to ensure that each Masterclass delivers the information that delegates require to meet the challenges of regulatory compliance and changing crime landscape.

## CYBERCRIME: MANAGING CONVERGING THREATS IN AML COMPLIANCE

An interactive masterclass designed to provide financial crime professionals with the knowledge and awareness to identify, mitigate, and manage cyber-enabled risks.

**AFB Members £410 +VAT**

**Wednesday, 15 July 09:00-12:30**

This masterclass will provide learners with practical guidance on how to manage cyber-enabled crime typologies (e.g. account takeover, mule networks, synthetic identities, ransomware-linked laundering) and mapping attack paths into onboarding, payments and investigations, assessing firm vulnerabilities, determining when cyber activity triggers suspicion and a SAR, and documenting risk decisions so assessed risks reflect actual business operations.

Learners are supported with practical notes, working templates, and hands-on exercises based on real-world scenarios and work-based challenges—ensuring the session is interactive and outcomes-focused, with clear takeaways to strengthen resilience across cyber, fraud, and financial crime controls.

## COURSE CONTENT

During this masterclass, you can expect to learn more about:

- AML cyber-crime threat assessment - risk identification, risk analysis, risk evaluation, and risk treatment
- Evaluating and strengthening your firm's integration of cybersecurity measures within existing AML and financial crime masterclass
- Cyber security controls - UK NCSC Capability Assessment Framework (CAF) and other sources of good practice
- Cyber response and recovery - legal & regulatory obligations, and good practice
- Glossary, definitions and ecosystem – cyber-enabled and cyber-dependent crime

## COURSE STRUCTURE

- In-person instructor-led
- 3 hours of learning
- Case study analysis
- CPD credits for any session attended

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

- Recognise the critical role of cybersecurity in maintaining an effective and compliant AML framework
- Assess your firm's vulnerabilities to the most common and emerging cyber threats that intersect with financial crime risk
- Identify cyber-enabled money laundering techniques, including those linked to large-scale cyber heists and digital fraud
- Apply best practice approaches for collaboration between AML, fraud, and cybersecurity teams to improve overall risk management
- Develop a holistic, proactive approach to detecting, mitigating, and responding to cyber-enabled financial crime across the business

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- MLROs and Deputy MLROs seeking to understand cyber-enabled financial crime risks.
- Financial Crime and AML Analysts involved in investigating complex and emerging typologies, including cyber-enabled money laundering
- Compliance and Risk Officers responsible for integrating cybersecurity risk into broader compliance frameworks
- Fraud and Cybersecurity Specialists looking to strengthen collaboration with AML and financial crime teams
- Nominated Officers and SAR Manager needing clarity on when cyber activity should be escalated and reported

## LOGISTICS & BOOKING INFORMATION

**Venue:**     Central London location

**Date:**      Wednesday, 15 July 2026

**Time:**      09:00 – 12:30 (Registration and light breakfast from 09:00)

**Price:**     £410 plus VAT

For further information please contact secretariat@foreignbanks.org.uk

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