



Fintel Alliance

An AUSTRAC-led
public private partnership



Working with our partners

An AUSTRAC initiative, Fintel Alliance brings together 29 **government, law enforcement and private sector organisations**.

Government and private sector members work together to:

- **increase the resilience** of the financial sector to prevent it being exploited by criminals
- **support law enforcement** investigations into money laundering, serious crime and national security matters
- **protect the most vulnerable** members of the community from criminal exploitation.





Coordinating investigations

- **Joint governance** - Government and Industry working together
 - **Shared strategy** - identifying and developing future strategies
 - **Joint projects** - sharing valuable resources for greatest benefit
 - **Shared intelligence / alerts** - timely and accurate insights
 - **Capacity building** - ongoing development of teams and capability
 - **Collaborative policy development** - identifying policy changes and enhancements
 - **International cooperation and collaboration** – leveraging opportunities with non-traditional partners for the best outcome
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Partnership learnings

Identified keys to success:

- Bringing **crime experts and representatives of financial institutions together**
- Develop **guidance and indicator information** capturing learnings
- Utilising **data analytical tools** and keywords to surface activity
- **Matching data** sets to develop a more complete picture of offending
- **Establishing relationships with partners** in foreign countries and not-for-profit organisations around areas of common focus.



How the Fintel Alliance Works

Fintel Alliance partners work together at AUSTRAC's offices in Sydney and Melbourne, sharing and analysing financial intelligence to investigate and disrupt criminal and terrorist activity.

There are two information-sharing hubs where partners collaborate.

- ***The Operations Hub*** – a physical space where partners exchange and analyse financial intelligence face-to-face in close to real time, combining data with tracking tools and best-practice methodologies from their organisations.
- ***The Innovation Hub*** – an opportunity for partners to co-design and test new technology solutions that assist in gathering and analysing financial intelligence at an operational level. They also assess the impact of emerging technologies such as blockchain and [digital currency \(or cryptocurrency\)](#).

Strategic Partnership Framework

- Partnerships are one of the most effective ways to prevent and deter corruption
- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade sets clear expectations for engagement with partners
- DFAT has Strategic Partnership Framework arrangements with major international and humanitarian and development agencies
- Arrangements confirm no tolerance for corruption, exploitation, and crime



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