

The Cyprus Fiduciary Association proudly presents:

Seminar 6

Sanctions: Real-World Cases and Insights for Practitioners

Thursday, 19th June 2025 | 09:00 - 12:30 | Online - Zoom

Featured Speaker



Mr Lazaros Ioannou
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The Seminar will be conducted in the English Language
Participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance for up to 3 CPD Unit Hours.

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Seminar Aims and Objectives

CYFA is proudly presenting **Mr. Lazaros Ioannou** for one (1) independent three (3) hour seminar titled: **"Sanctions: Real-World Cases and Insights for Practitioners"**.

Aims and Objectives:

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- To provide a comprehensive and up-to-date understanding of international and EU sanctions regimes as they apply in Cyprus.
- To equip legal, financial, and compliance practitioners with practical tools to identify, manage, and mitigate sanctions risks.
- To enhance participants' ability to implement effective sanctions screening and compliance programs within their organizations.

Objectives:

By the end of the seminar, participants will be able to:

- Understand the legal framework and recent developments in sanctions applicable to Cyprus.
- Identify sanctioned individuals, entities, and activities in daily operations.
- Implement effective due diligence and screening processes to comply with sanctions obligations.
- Recognize red flags and handle potential sanctions breaches appropriately.
- Apply best practices for record-keeping, reporting, and responding to regulatory inquiries.
- Develop and strengthen internal compliance policies and procedures.

The seminar will cover the following (laws, regulations, directives, etc.):

- UN Security Council Resolutions (UNSCRs)
- Council Regulation (EU) No 269/2014
- Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC)
- The Implementation of the United Nations Security Council Resolutions and of the European Union's Decisions and Regulations Sanctions Law of 2016 (N.58(I)/2016)

Assessment Methodology:

For participants:

- Interactive lecture with PPP presentation
- Case Studies / Analysis / Discussion
- Practical scenarios insights to apply concepts
- Q & A Session for in-depth understanding

For Seminar Assessment:

Evaluation form that includes scale rating (1-5) on:

- Seminar Objectives & Learning Outcomes
- Seminar Content
- Seminar Teaching Methods
- Speaker Rating
- Provision for general comments

Programme Agenda

08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 10:30	A. Sanctions Updates & Latest Developments B. Real-World Sanctions Cases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Analysis of real case studies
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – 12:15	C. Sanctions Compliance in Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sanctions screening tools (KYC/AML integration) ➤ Risk-based approach to sanctions compliance ➤ Due diligence and ownership structures (e.g., 50% Rule)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Handling potential matches and reporting obligations ➤ Internal controls and staff training
12:15 – 12:30	Q & A Session

Who should attend

This seminar is designed for a wide range of professionals whose work involves navigating the complex landscape of sanctions compliance. It is particularly relevant for lawyers, compliance officers, risk management specialists, auditors, accountants, and banking and financial services professionals. Corporate service providers, fiduciary firms, shipping and maritime professionals, and real estate advisors involved in high-value transactions will also benefit greatly. Additionally, the seminar is ideal for consultants advising on cross-border activities and government officials responsible for regulatory oversight. By focusing on practical cases and real-world applications, the program equips participants with essential skills to manage sanctions risks effectively within the Cyprus regulatory framework.

***THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IS 50 PERSONS. REGISTRATIONS WILL BE HANDLED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS.**

For registrations please visit our [website](#) or complete and sign the registration form attached and submit it to the Cyprus Fiduciary Association e-mail address info@cyfa.org.cy.

Deadline for Seminar Registration: Tuesday the 17th of June 2025

Click [here](#) to review the CYFA Payment & Refund policy.

Speakers' Bio

Lazaros Ioannou

Director / APC Audit Tax Advisory

Lazaros Ioannou holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a specialization in Management and Marketing, as well as a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) degree. He also holds the Advanced Certificate and the AML Certificate from the Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission (CySEC), and he is a Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist (CAMS) and a Certified Global Sanctions Specialist (CGSS), both awarded by ACAMS.

Lazaros Ioannou is the Head of Compliance Services at APC Compliance Ltd, bringing over 10 years of professional experience. He advises clients in Cyprus and abroad on a wide range of Anti-Money Laundering (AML), Sanctions, and Regulatory Compliance matters. He is an accredited trainer by the Human Resource Development Authority of Cyprus (HRDA) and the author of the book "Money Laundering: Legal Framework, International Standards and Practical Implementation", published by Nomiki Bibliothiki in Greece.

He regularly delivers training seminars on AML and Sanctions-related topics to various professionals and organizations, including lawyers, auditors, and investment firms.