

Egmont Strategic Analysis Course

Session 1 Introduction

Participant Manual

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1. Introduction

The aim of this course is to develop an understanding of the skills, practices and standards required to prepare quality strategic analysis products, and to appreciate the availability and usefulness of a range of tools that will assist you in the process.

We will focus on different types of strategic analysis products and the benefits of using and producing strategic analysis within a Financial Intelligence Unit.

Y Activity 1.1 - Introductions

You will be provided with a card or piece of paper that has the name of one of the other participants in the room.

You task is to find that person and interview them. You will need to determine the following:

- Who they are
- Where they are from
- Why they are here
- Something interesting about them.

You will then introduce this person to the rest of the group.

Activity 1.2 – Team-Building Exercise
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Observations:

2. Financial Action Task Force (FATF)

The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) clearly states that Financial Intelligence Units (FIUs) must undertake analysis of information received and held by the FIU.

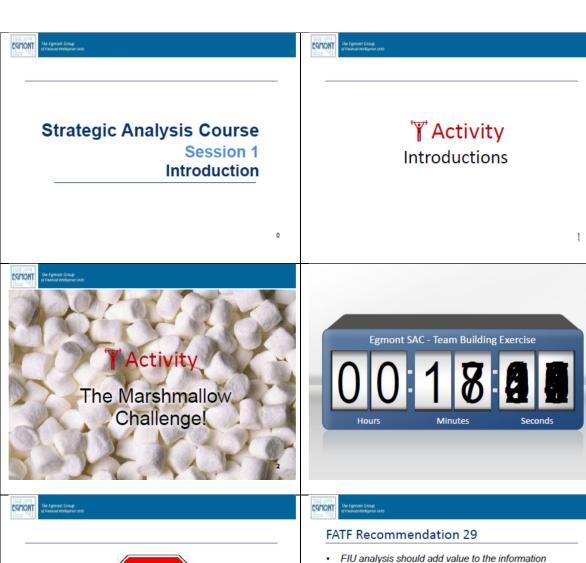
It goes further to state that the FIU should undertake both operational analysis and strategic analysis.

Recommendation 29

Countries should establish a financial intelligence unit (FIU) that serves as a national centre for the receipt and analysis of: (a) suspicious transaction reports; and (b) other information relevant to money laundering, associated predicate offences and terrorist financing, and for the dissemination of the results of that analysis. The FIU should be able to obtain additional information from reporting entities, and should have access on a timely basis to the financial, administrative and law enforcement information that it requires to undertake its functions properly.

Interpretive Note to Recommendation 29

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Course objectives

- Explain the uses and benefits of strategic analysis
- Describe the stages in the development of a strategic analysis product
- Appreciate the hazards of mindsets and biases and measures to minimize their negative effects
- · Explain project planning and collection planning
- Employ specific tools to facilitate their strategic analysis activities

- Session 1 Introduction
- Session 2 Mindsets and biases
- · Session 3 Understanding analysis

Day 2

- · Session 4 Strategic analysis products
- · Session 5 Intelligence cycle
- · Session 6 Planning and tasking



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Course overview

Course content

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• Session 7 - Collection and evaluation

Day 4

- · Session 8 Advanced critical thinking
- Session 9 Reporting and dissemination

Day 5

· Session 10 - Global exercise



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FIU strategic unit roles & structures

What does a strategic analysis unit look like?

What are the roles within a strategic unit?



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Questions

