

Yehuda Shaffer Short CV

Yehuda Shaffer born in 1962 is today an independent consultant specializing in risk and wealth management both in the private and governmental sector with specific expertise in AML CFT, FATF evaluations, and in the investigation and prosecution of financial crime money laundering terror financing and confiscation of assets.

Before that Mr shaffer served as the Israeli Deputy State Attorney (Financial Enforcement) (2009 - March 2018) major responsibilities being the oversight of all investigation and prosecution of proceed generating crime including money laundering and confiscation.

Before that he was (2002 - 2009) the director and founder of IMPA - (Israel Money-laundering and Terror Financing Prohibition Authority) the Israeli FIU (Financial Intelligence Unit) in the Ministry of Justice.

Before that (1992-2002) Mr. Shaffer served as a senior deputy to the state attorney in the high court of justice department, in the state attorney's office in the ministry of Justice.

Before that (1989-2001) Mr. Shaffer worked in a law firm as litigating attorney in various corporate and civil matters.

Received his L.L.B. (1987) and L.L.M. (1989) from the faculty of law at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, and a Masters in Public administration MPA - at the Kennedy school of government at Harvard University (2000)

He taught the course "financial crime" at the law faculty in the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY

Mr. Shaffer has represented the state of Israel, the Israeli prosecution service, and the Israeli FIU in various international fora, (CAT Geneva, International Prosecutors Association (APA), The Egmont group, OECD, Council of Europe (Moneyval) and FATF)

Has been an expert evaluator in several Anti Money Laundering and Countering Terror Financing (AML/CFT) evaluations on behalf of the Council of Europe (Moneyval) and the IMF. (Greece, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Poland, Jersey, Isle of man), and as a regular trainer of evaluators in Moneyval\FATF evaluator courses.

Serves regularly as an expert as part of technical assistance programs for FIU, Police, Prosecutors and Judges, as well as with regarding to drafting of legislation, National Risk Assessments (NRA), on behalf of the CoE UNODC. Examples of such technical assistance:

Consulting Latvia on the investigations emerging from the ABLV bank self-liquidation process. Consulting several financial centers in the Moneyval region on preparation for Moneyval and FATF evaluations, and regarding voluntary tax schemes. Technical assistance regarding AML CFT, financial crimes and confiscation in several European jurisdictions, Training of prosecutors and Judges on these matters in several European and Asian jurisdictions.

Is a regular speaker in the Cambridge symposium on financial crime and a participant in several other training seminars and conferences held by various bodies both in Europe and worldwide (UNODC, CoE, OSCE, Basel institute for Governance and others).

PUBLICATIONS

'The criminal offences in the prohibition of Money Laundering law - The international combat against money laundering in an Israeli perspective "Hamishpat Law Review, The College of Management, Academic Studies, Law School Publication March 2005

"Analysis of financial intelligence and the detection of Terror financing" in Fighting terror in cyberspace, World scientific Pub. Edited by Mark Last (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel) & Abraham Kandel (University of South Florida, Tampa, USA)

"Emerging anti money laundering and counter terror financing standards and their impact on trusts" in Trusts in Prime Jurisdictions 2nd Ed. Globe Business publishing Ltd London 2006.

"Detecting terrorist financing through financial intelligence : the role of FIUs" at Mark Pieth, Daniel Thelesklaf Radha Ivory, "Countering Terror Financing the Practitionars Point of view" Peter Lang 2009

"More on the Mens Rea of the Money Laundering offence" Mishpat Mafteach December 2015 p. 110

"Trusts and Money Laundering" in Trusts in Prime Jurisdictions 4th Ed. Globe Law and Business London 2016.

HOBBIES

Mr. Shaffer competes regularly in the Israeli Orienteering League