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## PREFACE

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

4AMLD	Directive 2015/849/EU
5AMLD	Directive 2018/843/EU
AEOI	Automatic Exchange of Information
AktG	Aktiengesetz
AML	Anti-money laundering
AMLA	Anti-Money Laundering Act (RS 955.0)
AMLD	Anti-Money Laundering Directive
AMLO	Anti-Money Laundering Ordinance (RS 955.01)
AMLO-CFMJ	Federal Gaming Board Anti-Money Laundering Ordinance (RS 955.021)
AMLO-DFJP	Federal Department of Justice and Police Anti-Money Laundering Ordinance (RS 955.022)
AMLO-FINMA	Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority Anti-Money Laundering Ordinance (RS 955.033.0)
AO	Abgabenordnung
Art.	Article
ASA	Association suisse des assurances
ASSL	Association suisse des sociétés de leasing
AsylG	Asylgesetz
AT	Austria
ATF	Arrêt du Tribunal fédéral
AufenthG	Gesetz über den Aufenthalt, die Erwerbstätigkeit und die Integration von Ausländern im Bundesgebiet
AUPER	Automated Registration System of Persons
AWG	Außenwirtschaftsgesetz
AZRG	Gesetz über das Ausländerzentralregister
Bafin	Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht
BayZustV	Bayerische Zuständigkeitsverordnung
BE	Belgium
BFH	Bundesfinanzhof
BFHE	Entscheidungen des Bundesfinanzhofs
BG	Bulgaria
BGB	Bürgerliches Gesetzbuch
BGBl.	Bundesgesetzblatt
BGH	Bundesgerichtshof

BGHSt	Entscheidungen des Bundesgerichtshofes in Strafsachen
BI	Banca d'Italia
BKAG	Bundeskriminalamtgesetz
BMG	Bundesmeldegesetz
BNDG	Gesetz über den Bundesnachrichtendienst
BR	Bundesrat
BT	Bundestag
BtMG	Gesetz über den Verkehr mit Betäubungsmitteln
BVerfG	Bundesverfassungsgericht
BVerfGE	Entscheidungen des Bundesverfassungsgerichts
BVerfGK	Kammerentscheidungen des Bundesverfassungsgerichts
BVerfSchG	Bundesverfassungsschutzgesetz
BVerwG	Bundesverwaltungsgericht
BZRG	Bundeszentralsregistergesetz
C. Cass.	Corte di Cassazione
CAP	Codice delle Assicurazioni Private
CC	Criminal Code
CDB	Agreement on the Swiss Banks' code of conduct with regard to the exercise of due diligence
CDD	Customer due diligence
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CFMJ	Federal Gaming Board
CFT	Countering the financing of terrorism
CITCO	Intelligence Center against Terrorism and Organized Crime
CNCA	Centre for Counter Terrorism Coordination
CNI	Centro Nacional de Inteligencia
CNMV	Comisión Nacional del Mercados de Valores
CO	Code of Obligations (Switzerland)
CO	Compliance Officer (Spain)
Confidi	Consorzio di garanzia collettiva dei fidi
Consob	Commissione Nazionale per le Società e la Borsa
CPS	Crown Prosecution Service
CRAB	Centro Registral Anti-blanqueo de Capitales del Colegio de registradores de la Propiedad, mercantiles y bienes Inmuebles
CRR	Capital Requirements Regulation (EU) No. 575/2013
CTF	Counter-terrorist financing
CY	Cyprus
CZ	Czech Republic
D.L.	Decreto legge

D.P.R.	Decreto del Presidente della Repubblica
DAML	Defence Against Money Laundering
DB-AMLA	Draft bill amending the Anti-Money Laundering Act
DB-Terr	Draft bill on the fight against terrorism
DE	Germany
Decree	Real Decreto 304/2014
DK	Denmark
DNFBP(s)	Designated Non-Financial Businesses and Profession(s)
DStR	Das deutsche Steuerrecht
EBA	European Banking Authority
EC	European Community
ECHR	European Convention on Human Rights
ECtHR	European Court of Human Rights
EDD	Enhanced Due Diligence
EE	Estonia
EEA	European Economic Area
EEAS	European External Action Service
EGMLTF	Expert Group on Anti-Money Laundering and Countering Terrorist Financing
EIOPA	European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority
EL	Greece
ES	Spain
ESAs	European Supervisory Authorities
ESMA	European Securities and Markets Authority
EU	European Union
FATF	Financial Action Task Force
FCA	Financial Conduct Authority
FDF	Federal Department of Finance
FedPol	Federal Office of Police
FF	Feuille fédérale
FFA	Forensic Financial Analysis
FI	Finland
FINMA	Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority
FIU	Financial Intelligence Unit
FKAustG	Finanzkonten-Informationsaustauschgesetz
FR	France
FSMA	Financial Services and Markets Act
FSRBs	FATF-style regional body
G 10	Gesetz zur Beschränkung des Brief-, Post- und Fernmeldegeheimnisses

G20	Group of Twenty
G7	Group of Seven
GCMF	Interdepartmental Coordinating Group on Combating Money Laundering and the Financing of Terrorism
GDPR	General Data Protection Regulation
GenG	Gesetz betreffend die Erwerbs- und Wirtschaftsgenossenschaften
GEWA	MROS' data processing system
GewO	Gewerbeordnung
GmbHG	Gesetz betreffend die Gesellschaften mit beschränkter Haftung
GWG	Geldwäschegesetz
HGB	Handelsgesetzbuch
HMRC	HM Revenue & Customs
HR	Croatia
HU	Hungary
IBAN	International Bank Account Number
ICO	Initial coin offering
ICRG	International Co-operation Review Group
IE	Ireland
INDEX SRC	Federal Intelligence Service's indexing system
ISIL	Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant
IT	Italy
IVASS	Istituto per la vigilanza sulle assicurazioni
JMLIT	Joint Money Laundering Intelligence Taskforce
JMLSG	Joint Money Laundering Steering Group
KAGB	Kapitalanlagegesetzbuch
KWG	Kreditwesengesetz
KYC	Know Your Customer
L.	Legge
L.D.	Decreto legislativo
LEA	Law enforcement agencies
LPP	Legal Professional Privilege
LT	Lithuania
LU	Luxembourg
LV	Latvia
MADG	Gesetz über den militärischen Abschirmdienst
MER	Mutual Evaluation Report
ML	Money laundering
ML/TF	Money laundering/Terrorism financing
MLCP	Money laundering compliance principal

MLRO	Money Laundering Reporting Officer
MoU(s)	Memorandum(s) of understanding
MPC	Ministère public de la Confédération
MROS	Money Laundering Reporting Office Switzerland
MT	Malta
NCA	National Crime Agency
NCIS	National Criminal Intelligence Unit
NDIU	National Drugs Intelligence Unit
NGO(s)	Non-governmental organisation(s)
NJW	Neue Juristische Wochenschrift
NL	Netherlands
NRA	National risk assessment
N-SIS	Schengen Information System's National Part
NStZ	Neue Zeitschrift für Strafrecht
NStZ-RR	NStZ Rechtsprechungsreport
NVwZ	Neue Zeitschrift für Verwaltungsrecht
OAG	Office of the Attorney General
OAR-G	Organisme d'Autorégulation des Gérants de Patrimoine
OCP- Notars	Organo Centralizado de Prevención de blanqueo de capitales del Colegio Notarial
OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
OLG	Oberlandesgericht
O-MROS	Ordinance on MROS (RS 955.23)
OPBAS	Office for Professional Body Anti-Money Laundering Supervision
OWiG	Gesetz über Ordnungswidrigkeiten
P.D.	Decreto Presidenziale
PEP(s)	Politically exposed person(s)
PL	Poland
PNC	Police National Computer
POCA	Proceeds of Crime Act 2002
PrüfBV	Verordnung über die Prüfung der Jahresabschlüsse der Kreditinstitute und Finanzdienstleistungsinstitute sowie über die darüber zu erstellenden Berichte
PrüfV	Verordnung über den Inhalt der Prüfungsberichte zu den Jahresabschlüssen und den Solvabilitätsübersichten von Versicherungsunternehmen
PSC	Persons with Significant Control
PT	Portugal
RCE	Central Register of Foreigners

RIPOL	Police Computerised Research System
RO	Romania
RPS	Revue pénale suisse
RS	Recueil systématique
RUMACA	Customs' database
SAAM	Swiss Association of Asset Managers
SächsGwGZustVO	Sächsische Geldwäschegegesetz-Zuständigkeitsverordnung
SAR(s)	Suspicious activity report(s)
SARAs	Segnalazioni antiriciclaggio aggregate
SAV/SNV	Selbstregulierungsorganisation des Schweizerischen Anwaltsverbandes und des Schweizerischen Notarenverbandes
SBA	Swiss Bankers Association
SchwarzArbG	Gesetz zur Bekämpfung der Schwarzarbeit und illegalen Beschäftigung
SE	Sweden
SEPBLAC	Servicio Ejecutivo de la Comisión de Prevención del Blanqueo de Capitales e Infracciones Monetarias
SFO	Serious Fraud Office
SI	Slovenia
SK	Slovakia
SPC	Spanish Penal Code
SRA	Solicitors Regulation Authority
SRO(s)	Self-regulatory organisation(s)
SRO-SVV	Selbstregulierungsorganisation des Schweizerischen Versicherungsverbandes
StGB	Strafgesetzbuch
StPO	Strafprozessordnung
STR(s)	Suspicious transaction report(s)
STS	Sentencia del Tribunal Supremo
StVG	Straßenverkehrsgesetz
SYMIC	Central Migration Information System
SYSC	The Senior Management Arrangements, Systems and Controls sourcebook
TF	Terrorist financing
TUB	Testo Unico Bancario
TUF	Testo Unico della Finanza
UCITS	Undertakings for Collective Investments in Transferable Securities
UIF	Unità di Informazione Finanziaria
UK	United Kingdom

UN	United Nations
UNODC	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
UNSC	United Nations Security Council
UTR(s)	Unusual transaction report(s)
VAG	Gesetz über die Beaufsichtigung der Versicherungsunternehmen
VAT	Value added tax
VOSTRA	Computerised Criminal Records Database
VQF	Verein zur Qualitätssicherung von Finanzdienstleistungen
WpHG	Gesetz über den Wertpapierhandel
ZAG	Zentrale Aufbereitung Geldwäschereiverdachtsmeldung (Switzerland)
ZAG	Gesetz über die Beaufsichtigung von Zahlungsdiensten (Germany)
ZFdG	Gesetz über das Zollkriminalamt und die Zollfahndungssämter
ZollVG	Zollverwaltungsgesetz



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Germany .....	192	United Kingdom.....	676
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Please provide a brief overview of the most relevant binding guidance issued by supervisory authorities (e.g. the financial market authority, the bar association) or other public authorities (e.g. FIUs) to specify the law's simplified CDD

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Please provide a brief overview of the most relevant binding guidance issued by supervisory authorities (e.g. the financial market authority, the bar association) or other public authorities (e.g. FIUs) to specify the law's enhanced CDD requirements, in particular guidance for risk assessment.

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To what extent is the obliged entity under an obligation to provide the FIU or other addressees of the SAR with further information?

FATF .....	38	Spain .....	457
European Union .....	109	Switzerland .....	580
Germany .....	207	United Kingdom.....	690
Italy.....	343	Comparative Analysis.....	823

### b. Continued Duty not to Disclose SAR to Client

To what extent is there a continued duty on the part of the reporting obliged entity not to disclose to the client the filing of the SAR, even if it has not led to a discovery of illegal conduct?

FATF .....	38	Spain .....	458
European Union .....	109	Switzerland .....	581
Germany .....	207	United Kingdom.....	690
Italy.....	343	Comparative Analysis.....	823

### c. Continued Collateral Duties

After having filed a SAR, is the obliged entity under any collateral obligations, even if the initial suspicion has not been confirmed (e.g. further monitoring of the client's business activities)?

FATF .....	39	Spain .....	458
European Union .....	110	Switzerland .....	581
Germany .....	209	United Kingdom.....	690
Italy.....	343		

### 3. Special Rules for Privileged Professions

FATF .....	39	Spain .....	458
European Union .....	110	Switzerland .....	582
Germany .....	210	United Kingdom.....	690
Italy .....	344	Comparative Analysis.....	823

#### a. Trigger for/Degree of Suspicion

Do special rules on the degree of suspicion or other triggering factors required for a SAR apply to privileged professions (e.g. lawyers, tax advisors)? Where relevant, please differentiate between types of professions.

FATF .....	39	Spain .....	458
European Union .....	110	Switzerland .....	582
Germany .....	210	United Kingdom.....	690
Italy .....	344	Comparative Analysis.....	823

#### b. Content and Addressee(s) of SARs

Are there special rules regarding the addressees, procedure and content of SARs filed by privileged professions? Where applicable, please differentiate between professions.

FATF .....	39	Spain .....	459
European Union .....	111	Switzerland .....	583
Germany .....	211	United Kingdom.....	692
Italy .....	344	Comparative Analysis.....	824

#### c. Duty not to Disclose to Client

Are there special rules for privileged professions on the disclosure of a SAR filing?

FATF .....	40	Spain .....	460
European Union .....	111	Switzerland .....	583
Germany .....	211	United Kingdom.....	692
Italy .....	345	Comparative Analysis.....	825

#### *4. Protection of SAR's Source*

Does your law provide special rules for the protection of a SAR's source (e.g. anonymity of the obliged entity that filed the SAR, anonymity of the individual employee that filed the SAR)? If so, please specify.

FATF .....	40	Spain.....	460
European Union .....	111	Switzerland .....	584
Germany .....	211	United Kingdom.....	693
Italy.....	345	Comparative Analysis.....	825

#### D. RECORD KEEPING

To what extent does your law provide for record keeping obligations of CDD information, records of transactions and/or SAR-related information?

FATF .....	40	Spain.....	461
European Union .....	112	Switzerland .....	584
Germany .....	212	United Kingdom.....	693
Italy.....	346	Comparative Analysis.....	826

#### E. COMPLIANCE OFFICERS

To what extent are obliged entities under a legal obligation to appoint compliance officers or create a similar position to ensure respect for AML regulations? What competences and powers must such a compliance officer have? Which rules ensure the independence of the compliance officer vis-à-vis the obliged entity?

FATF .....	41	Spain.....	461
European Union .....	112	Switzerland .....	584
Germany .....	214	United Kingdom.....	693
Italy.....	347	Comparative Analysis.....	826

#### F. INTERNAL COMPLAINT MECHANISM

Is an obliged entity under an obligation to put in place an internal complaint mechanism that allows employees or third persons to inform senior management about AML CDD violations committed within the obliged entity? If so, please

specify the scope of such an obligation, the design of such a mechanism, and possible safeguards that serve to protect the complainant (e.g. by insuring his anonymity).

FATF .....	41	Spain .....	462
European Union .....	112	Switzerland .....	584
Germany .....	215	United Kingdom.....	695
Italy.....	348	Comparative Analysis.....	827

## G. ADDITIONAL PREVENTIVE MEASURES

Are any further obligations applicable to obliged entities in order to ensure effective CDD (especially training of staff, background screening of employees)? In this respect, are there any obligations on the part of the FIU to support the obliged entities?

FATF .....	41	Spain .....	464
European Union .....	112	Switzerland .....	585
Germany .....	215	United Kingdom.....	696
Italy.....	349	Comparative Analysis.....	827

## H. RULES ON OBLIGED ENTITIES' CIVIL LIABILITY TOWARDS CLIENT

If a client suffers economic damage from CDD measures (e.g. by the sudden disruption of banking services) or the freezing of assets after the filing of an unjustified SAR, under what conditions can an obliged entity be held responsible and forced to compensate the client?

FATF .....	42	Spain .....	467
European Union .....	113	Switzerland .....	586
Germany .....	219	United Kingdom.....	697
Italy.....	350	Comparative Analysis.....	828

## I. SUPERVISORY AUTHORITIES' ROLE

FATF .....	42	Spain .....	467
European Union .....	113	Switzerland .....	586
Germany .....	220	United Kingdom.....	697
Italy.....	350	Comparative Analysis.....	828

### *1. Supervisory Measures to Ensure Application of CDD and Other AML-Related Obligations*

Briefly describe the preventive functions of supervisory authorities, or other competent authorities, to ensure the application of AML CDD and related AML obligations by obliged entities.

FATF .....	42	Spain .....	467
European Union .....	113	Switzerland .....	586
Germany .....	220	United Kingdom.....	697
Italy.....	350	Comparative Analysis.....	828

### *2. Complaint Mechanism*

Does your law provide for a mechanism (at the level of supervisory authorities or other competent authorities) that allows individuals (in particular employees of obliged entities) to report violations of CDD and related obligations by an obliged entity? If so, please specify. To what extent does special protection exist for the person who made such a complaint (e.g. the right to remain anonymous)?

FATF .....	43	Spain .....	469
European Union .....	115	Switzerland .....	592
Germany .....	222	United Kingdom.....	698
Italy.....	352	Comparative Analysis.....	829

## J. STATISTICS ON SARs BY OBLIGED ENTITIES

Are any statistics available on the number of SARs and the value of transactions associated with them, as well as on the number of follow-up reports filed by obliged entities and the outcome of such reports?

FATF .....	43	Spain .....	469
European Union .....	115	Switzerland .....	592
Germany .....	223	United Kingdom.....	699
Italy .....	352	Comparative Analysis.....	830

## IV. THE SYSTEM OF FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE UNITS

### A. INSTITUTIONAL AND FUNCTIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

FATF .....	44	Spain .....	470
European Union .....	119	Switzerland .....	596
Germany .....	224	United Kingdom.....	700
Italy .....	354	Comparative Analysis.....	830

#### *1. Organisational Position*

Is the FIU situated within or connected to the organisational structure of another authority (e.g. supervisory authority, other administrative authority, criminal justice, police, customs)?

FATF .....	44	Spain .....	470
European Union .....	119	Switzerland .....	596
Germany .....	224	United Kingdom.....	700
Italy .....	354	Comparative Analysis.....	830

#### *2. Purpose and Tasks*

How are the FIU's purpose and its tasks defined?

FATF .....	44	Spain .....	471
European Union .....	119	Switzerland .....	596
Germany .....	224	United Kingdom.....	700
Italy .....	355	Comparative Analysis.....	831

#### *3. Independence*

To what extent is the FIU independent from political actors and other authorities? Can other authorities give instructions to the FIU (e.g. prosecutor, police, supervisory authorities, ministers)? If so, in which cases?

FATF .....	44	Spain .....	473
European Union .....	119	Switzerland .....	597
Germany .....	225	United Kingdom.....	701
Italy .....	357	Comparative Analysis.....	831

#### *4. Powers*

Which investigative and which coercive powers are given to the FIU (e.g. freezing of assets, giving instructions to and requesting information from other authorities, telecommunications interceptions, search and seizure of documents, interrogations)?

FATF .....	45	Spain .....	473
European Union .....	120	Switzerland .....	597
Germany .....	225	United Kingdom.....	702
Italy .....	358	Comparative Analysis.....	832

### B. TREATMENT OF SARs

FATF .....	45	Spain .....	474
European Union .....	121	Switzerland .....	599
Germany .....	226	United Kingdom.....	703
Italy .....	359	Comparative Analysis.....	834

#### *1. Data Processing*

How does the FIU proceed with SARs filed by obliged entities and other authorities? How and to what end are the SARs analysed by the FIU? When and how are SARs forwarded to other authorities (e.g. to the prosecution)?

FATF .....	45	Spain .....	474
European Union .....	121	Switzerland .....	599
Germany .....	226	United Kingdom.....	703
Italy .....	359	Comparative Analysis.....	834

## 2. Special Procedures for Privileged Professions

Do special procedures for the processing of SARs exist for privileged professions (e.g. lawyers, tax advisors)? If so, please specify (e.g. SAR screening by a profession's self-governing body).

FATF .....	46	Spain .....	475
European Union .....	122	Switzerland .....	601
Germany .....	226	United Kingdom.....	704
Italy.....	361	Comparative Analysis.....	836

## 3. Feedback Obligations

FATF .....	46	Spain .....	476
European Union .....	122	Switzerland .....	601
Germany .....	226	United Kingdom.....	705
Italy.....	361	Comparative Analysis.....	836

### a. Obligation of the FIU

Is the FIU under an obligation to inform the reporting entity about the outcome of the SAR? If so, what information will be provided to the reporting entity?

FATF .....	46	Spain .....	476
European Union .....	122	Switzerland .....	601
Germany .....	226	United Kingdom.....	705
Italy.....	361	Comparative Analysis.....	836

### b. Obligation of Investigative Authorities

In the event that the FIU or a reporting entity communicates a SAR to a law enforcement authority (e.g. police, prosecutor, tax authorities), is this law enforcement authority under an obligation to inform the FIU about the outcome of the SAR? If so, what information will be provided to the FIU?

FATF .....	46	Spain .....	476
European Union .....	123	Switzerland .....	602
Germany .....	227	United Kingdom.....	706
Italy.....	362	Comparative Analysis.....	837

#### 4. Disclosure Obligations Towards “Suspect”

To what extent is the FIU entitled or obliged to inform the “suspect” about the investigation conducted by the FIU following a SAR?

FATF .....	47	Spain .....	476
European Union .....	123	Switzerland .....	602
Germany .....	227	United Kingdom.....	706
Italy.....	362	Comparative Analysis.....	837

### C. PROACTIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Does the FIU have the power to initiate an investigation even in the absence of a SAR? If so, please specify the conditions of initiation of such investigations, as well as the powers the FIU has to this end. Is such an investigation necessarily directed against a particular suspect? To what extent is an obliged entity under an obligation not to disclose to its client that the FIU has requested information with regard to this client?

FATF .....	47	Spain .....	476
European Union .....	123	Switzerland .....	603
Germany .....	228	United Kingdom.....	706
Italy.....	362	Comparative Analysis.....	838

### D. ACCESS TO DATA

FATF .....	47	Spain .....	477
European Union .....	124	Switzerland .....	603
Germany .....	230	United Kingdom.....	706
Italy.....	363	Comparative Analysis.....	839

#### 1. Design and Content of FIU’s Own Data Banks

To what extent does the FIU collect SARs? What other data can be collected and/or stored by the FIU?

FATF .....	47	Spain .....	477
European Union .....	124	Switzerland .....	603
Germany .....	230	United Kingdom.....	706
Italy .....	363	Comparative Analysis.....	839

## *2. Access to Other Public Data Banks*

Which other data banks of public authorities does the FIU have access to, and under what conditions (e.g. criminal justice, tax office)?

FATF .....	48	Spain .....	478
European Union .....	124	Switzerland .....	604
Germany .....	230	United Kingdom.....	706
Italy .....	365	Comparative Analysis.....	839

## *3. Access to Private Data Banks*

Which data banks of private entities does the FIU have access to, and under what conditions?

FATF .....	48	Spain .....	479
European Union .....	126	Switzerland .....	607
Germany .....	234	United Kingdom.....	707
Italy .....	365	Comparative Analysis.....	841

## *4. Data Analytics*

To what extent is the FIU authorised to conduct data analytics (data mining, data matching) in or between the aforementioned data banks, in particular to automatically process the content of such data banks in order to identify possible suspects?

FATF .....	48	Spain .....	480
European Union .....	126	Switzerland .....	608
Germany .....	234	United Kingdom.....	707
Italy .....	366	Comparative Analysis.....	841

## 5. International Cooperation

Does your FIU have any special cooperation agreements with foreign authorities? If so, please briefly summarise their main content.

FATF .....	49	Switzerland .....	608
European Union .....	127	United Kingdom.....	708
Italy.....	366	Comparative Analysis.....	842
Spain.....	480		

## E. PARTICIPATION OF “SUSPECTS”

FATF .....	49	Spain.....	481
European Union.....	127	Switzerland .....	608
Germany .....	238	United Kingdom.....	708
Italy.....	368	Comparative Analysis.....	843

### 1. Defence Rights

To what extent are “suspects” involved in the FIU process? Which defence rights apply (e.g. legal privilege, right against self-incrimination, access to file, right to be heard)?

FATF .....	49	Spain.....	481
European Union .....	127	Switzerland .....	608
Germany .....	238	United Kingdom.....	708
Italy.....	368	Comparative Analysis.....	843

### 2. Judicial Review or Other Remedies

Are there ways for the “suspect” to apply for judicial review of the FIU’s action? Are there review mechanisms other than judicial ones?

FATF .....	49	Spain.....	481
European Union .....	127	Switzerland .....	609
Germany .....	239	United Kingdom.....	710
Italy.....	368	Comparative Analysis.....	843

## F. SIMILAR POWERS OF SUPERVISORY BODIES

FATF .....	49	Spain .....	482
European Union .....	127	Switzerland .....	609
Germany .....	239	United Kingdom.....	710
Italy .....	369	Comparative Analysis.....	844

### *1. Financial Supervision*

Do supervisory bodies of financial markets (e.g. the financial market authority) have the right to investigate a suspicion of money laundering on their own? If so, please specify the competent supervisory body, and when and how such investigations are conducted.

FATF .....	49	Spain .....	482
European Union .....	127	Switzerland .....	609
Germany .....	239	United Kingdom.....	710
Italy .....	369	Comparative Analysis.....	844

### *2. Non-Financial Sector Supervision*

Do other supervisory bodies (e.g. the bar association) have the right to investigate a suspicion of money laundering on their own? If so, please specify the competent supervisory authority, when, and how such investigations are conducted as well as which coercive measures can be applied by the supervisory body to prevent money laundering.

FATF .....	49	Spain .....	483
European Union .....	127	Switzerland .....	609
Germany .....	239	United Kingdom.....	711
Italy .....	369	Comparative Analysis.....	844

## G. REPORTING OBLIGATIONS OF SUPERVISORY AUTHORITIES

Which supervisory authorities (e.g. the financial market authority, the bar association) have to file reports about suspicious activities to the FIU? Please specify whether and to what extent reporting requirements differ from those applicable to obliged entities.

FATF .....	49	Spain .....	483
European Union .....	128	Switzerland .....	609
Germany .....	240	United Kingdom.....	712
Italy .....	370	Comparative Analysis.....	844

## H. REPORTING BY OTHER AUTHORITIES

Do other authorities have to file reports about suspicious activities to the FIU (e.g. tax authorities, customs, prosecutors)? If not, are they allowed to do so? If yes, please specify. Do they report to the FIU or to other bodies?

FATF .....	49	Spain .....	484
European Union .....	128	Switzerland .....	610
Germany .....	240	United Kingdom.....	713
Italy .....	370	Comparative Analysis.....	845

## I. STATISTICS

FATF .....	50	Spain .....	485
European Union .....	128	Switzerland .....	610
Germany .....	240	United Kingdom.....	714
Italy .....	370	Comparative Analysis.....	845

### *1. Number of Reports by Supervisory Authorities and Other Authorities*

Are there statistics on the number of reports about suspicious activities filed by supervisory authorities and other authorities?

FATF .....	50	Spain .....	485
European Union .....	128	Switzerland .....	610
Germany .....	240	United Kingdom.....	714
Italy .....	370	Comparative Analysis.....	845

## 2. FIU Analysis

Are there statistics on the number of FIU investigations and the value of transactions associated with these investigations? If available, please differentiate between investigations following a SAR and investigations on the FIU's own initiative.

FATF .....	50	Spain .....	485
European Union .....	128	Switzerland .....	611
Germany .....	240	United Kingdom.....	714
Italy.....	370	Comparative Analysis.....	845

## 3. Communications to Law Enforcement Authorities

Are there statistics on the number of communications by the FIU to other authorities, in particular regarding the forwarding of SARs (e.g. to the prosecution, police)?

FATF .....	50	Spain .....	486
European Union .....	128	Switzerland .....	611
Germany .....	240	United Kingdom.....	714
Italy.....	371	Comparative Analysis.....	846

# V. DATA FLOW AND DATA PROTECTION

## A. DATA EXCHANGE BETWEEN FIU AND PRIVATE SECTOR

FATF .....	50	Spain .....	487
European Union .....	129	Switzerland .....	613
Germany .....	241	United Kingdom.....	714
Italy.....	371	Comparative Analysis.....	846

**1. From FIU to Private Sector**

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from the FIU to obliged entities?

FATF .....	50	Spain .....	487
European Union .....	129	Switzerland .....	613
Germany .....	241	United Kingdom.....	714
Italy.....	371	Comparative Analysis.....	846

**2. From Private Sector to FIU**

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from obliged entities to the FIU?

FATF .....	51	Spain .....	488
European Union .....	129	Switzerland .....	613
Germany .....	242	United Kingdom.....	715
Italy.....	373	Comparative Analysis.....	847

**B. DATA EXCHANGE BETWEEN FIU AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM**

FATF .....	51	Spain .....	489
European Union .....	130	Switzerland .....	613
Germany .....	246	United Kingdom.....	716
Italy.....	374	Comparative Analysis.....	847

**1. From FIU to Criminal Justice System**

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from the FIU to the criminal justice system?

FATF .....	51	Spain .....	489
European Union .....	130	Switzerland .....	613
Germany .....	246	United Kingdom.....	716
Italy.....	374	Comparative Analysis.....	847

## 2. From Criminal Justice System to FIU

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from the criminal justice sector to the FIU?

FATF .....	52	Spain .....	491
European Union .....	131	Switzerland .....	614
Germany .....	251	United Kingdom.....	716
Italy .....	375	Comparative Analysis.....	849

## C. DATA EXCHANGE BETWEEN FIU AND INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES

FATF .....	52	Spain .....	491
European Union .....	132	Switzerland .....	615
Germany .....	256	United Kingdom.....	717
Italy .....	376	Comparative Analysis.....	849

### 1. From FIU to Intelligence Agencies

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from the FIU to intelligence agencies?

FATF .....	52	Spain .....	491
European Union .....	132	Switzerland .....	615
Germany .....	256	United Kingdom.....	717
Italy .....	376	Comparative Analysis.....	849

### 2. From Intelligence Agencies to FIU

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from intelligence agencies to the FIU?

FATF .....	52	Spain .....	492
European Union .....	132	Switzerland .....	615
Germany .....	258	United Kingdom.....	717
Italy.....	377	Comparative Analysis.....	850

## D. DATA EXCHANGE BETWEEN FIU AND TAX AUTHORITIES

FATF .....	52	Spain .....	493
European Union .....	132	Switzerland .....	615
Germany .....	258	United Kingdom.....	718
Italy.....	377	Comparative Analysis.....	850

### *1. From FIU to Tax Authorities*

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from the FIU to tax authorities?

FATF .....	52	Spain .....	493
European Union .....	132	Switzerland .....	615
Germany .....	258	United Kingdom.....	718
Italy.....	377	Comparative Analysis.....	850

### *2. From Tax Authorities to FIU*

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from tax authorities to the FIU?

FATF .....	53	Spain .....	493
European Union .....	132	Switzerland .....	616
Germany .....	259	United Kingdom.....	718
Italy.....	377	Comparative Analysis.....	851

## E. DATA EXCHANGE BETWEEN FIU AND CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES

FATF .....	53	Spain .....	494
European Union .....	133	Switzerland .....	616
Germany .....	260	United Kingdom.....	719
Italy.....	378	Comparative Analysis.....	852

## *1. From FIU to Customs Authorities*

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from the FIU to customs authorities?

FATF .....	53	Spain .....	494
European Union .....	133	Switzerland .....	616
Germany .....	260	United Kingdom.....	719
Italy.....	378	Comparative Analysis.....	852

## *2. From Customs Authorities to FIU*

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from customs authorities to the FIU?

FATF .....	53	Spain .....	495
European Union .....	133	Switzerland .....	616
Germany .....	261	United Kingdom.....	719
Italy.....	378	Comparative Analysis.....	853

## F. INFORMATION FLOW BETWEEN FIU AND FOREIGN COUNTERPARTS

FATF .....	53	Spain .....	495
European Union .....	134	Switzerland .....	616
Germany .....	261	United Kingdom.....	719
Italy.....	379	Comparative Analysis.....	853

### *1. Restrictions on Data Transfer from FIU to Foreign FIUs*

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from the FIU to a foreign FIU?

FATF .....	53	Spain .....	495
European Union .....	134	Switzerland .....	616
Germany .....	261	United Kingdom.....	722
Italy.....	379	Comparative Analysis.....	853

## *2. Restrictions on Use of Data Obtained from Foreign FIUs*

Which data protection restrictions exist for the use of personal data the FIU received from a foreign FIU?

FATF .....	54	Spain .....	496
European Union .....	135	Switzerland .....	618
Germany .....	264	United Kingdom.....	723
Italy.....	379	Comparative Analysis.....	855

## G. INFORMATION FLOW BETWEEN FIU AND FOREIGN NON-COUNTERPARTS

FATF .....	55	Spain .....	497
European Union .....	135	Switzerland .....	619
Germany .....	264	United Kingdom.....	723
Italy.....	380	Comparative Analysis.....	856

### *1. Restrictions on Data Transfer from FIU to Other Foreign Authorities*

Which data protection restrictions exist for the transfer of personal data from the FIU to other foreign authorities?

FATF .....	55	Spain .....	497
European Union .....	135	Switzerland .....	619
Germany .....	264	United Kingdom.....	723
Italy.....	380	Comparative Analysis.....	856

### *2. Restrictions on Use of Data Obtained from Other Foreign Authorities*

Which data protection restrictions exist for the use of personal data the FIU received from other foreign authorities?

FATF .....	56	Spain .....	498
European Union .....	135	Switzerland .....	619
Germany .....	264	United Kingdom.....	724
Italy.....	380	Comparative Analysis.....	856

## H. EVIDENTIAL VALUE OF FIU-GENERATED DATA IN COURT PROCEEDINGS

Are there special rules on the admissibility of FIU-generated information as evidence in court proceedings?

FATF .....	56	Spain .....	498
European Union .....	135	Switzerland .....	620
Germany .....	266	United Kingdom.....	724
Italy.....	381	Comparative Analysis.....	857

## I. USE OF CDD DATA FOR PROFIT MAKING

To what extent can personal data gathered by obliged entities for the purpose of CDD, or received by them from the FIU, be used for profit-oriented purposes, i.e. for purposes not directly related to the prevention of financial crime? In particular, to what extent are obliged entities authorised to use data mining systems?

FATF .....	56	Spain .....	498
European Union .....	136	Switzerland .....	620
Germany .....	267	United Kingdom.....	725
Italy.....	381	Comparative Analysis.....	857

## J. DATA SHARING BETWEEN OBLIGED ENTITIES REGARDING SARs AND FIU REQUESTS

FATF .....	56	Spain .....	499
European Union .....	136	Switzerland .....	620
Germany .....	267	United Kingdom.....	725
Italy.....	381	Comparative Analysis.....	858

### *1. Data Sharing Inside a Group*

To what extent are obliged entities authorised to share information regarding the filing of SARs or regarding requests by the FIU with other obliged entities within the same group of companies?

FATF .....	56	Spain .....	499
European Union .....	136	Switzerland .....	620
Germany .....	267	United Kingdom.....	725
Italy .....	381	Comparative Analysis.....	858

## *2. Data Sharing with Similar Professions*

To what extent are obliged entities authorised to share information regarding the filing of SARs or regarding requests by the FIU with other obliged entities outside the group, but within a similar profession?

FATF .....	57	Spain .....	500
European Union .....	136	Switzerland .....	621
Germany .....	268	United Kingdom.....	725
Italy.....	382	Comparative Analysis.....	859

## *3. Data Sharing with Obliged Entities Outside the EU*

To what extent are obliged entities authorised to share information regarding the filing of SARs or regarding requests by the FIU with other obliged entities in third countries?

FATF .....	57	Spain .....	501
European Union .....	136	Switzerland .....	621
Germany .....	269	United Kingdom.....	727
Italy.....	383	Comparative Analysis.....	860

## K. DATA SHARING BETWEEN OBLIGED ENTITIES REGARDING POSSIBLE CASES OF MONEY LAUNDERING

FATF .....	58	Spain .....	501
European Union .....	137	Switzerland .....	622
Germany .....	269	United Kingdom.....	727
Italy.....	383	Comparative Analysis.....	860

### *1. Data Sharing Inside a Group*

To what extent are obliged entities authorised to share information regarding suspicious transactions or similarly unusual events with other obliged entities within the same group of companies?

FATF .....	58	Spain .....	501
European Union .....	137	Switzerland .....	622
Germany .....	269	Comparative Analysis.....	860
Italy.....	383		

### *2. Data Sharing with Similar Professions*

To what extent are obliged entities authorised to share information regarding suspicious transactions or similarly unusual events with other obliged entities outside the group, but within a similar profession?

FATF .....	58	Spain .....	502
European Union .....	138	Switzerland .....	622
Germany .....	270	Comparative Analysis.....	861
Italy.....	383		

### *3. Data Sharing with Obligated Entities Outside the EU*

To what extent are obliged entities authorised to share information regarding suspicious transactions or similarly unusual events with other obliged entities in third countries?

FATF .....	59	Spain .....	502
European Union .....	138	Switzerland .....	622
Germany .....	271	Comparative Analysis.....	862
Italy.....	383		

## L. DATA MINING BY OBLIGED ENTITIES

To what extent are obliged entities authorised to conduct data mining (instead of mere data matching) within their data banks in order to identify possible cases of money laundering?

FATF .....	59	Spain .....	502
European Union .....	138	Switzerland .....	622
Germany .....	271	United Kingdom.....	727
Italy .....	383	Comparative Analysis.....	862

## VI. BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP TRANSPARENCY

### A. BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

FATF .....	59	Spain .....	503
European Union .....	138	Switzerland .....	623
Germany .....	271	United Kingdom.....	728
Italy .....	384	Comparative Analysis.....	863

#### *1. General Framework*

Does your country impose obligations on legal entities and trusts to disclose their beneficial ownership situation? If so, please specify who is subject to such obligations (e.g. citizens, residents, domestic entities, foreign entities operating in the country)? How are these categories defined?

FATF .....	59	Spain .....	503
European Union .....	138	Switzerland .....	623
Germany .....	271	United Kingdom.....	728
Italy .....	384	Comparative Analysis.....	863

#### *2. Definition of “Beneficiary” and “Effective Control”*

How does your country define the terms “beneficiary” and “effective control” or any other equivalent criteria for beneficial ownership?

FATF .....	60	Spain .....	504
European Union .....	139	Switzerland .....	625
Germany .....	273	United Kingdom.....	729
Italy .....	385	Comparative Analysis.....	864

### 3. *Definition of “Information”*

In the present context, how does your country define the term “information”?

FATF .....	60	Spain .....	506
European Union .....	140	Switzerland .....	625
Germany .....	274	United Kingdom.....	730
Italy.....	386	Comparative Analysis.....	865

### 4. *Special Rules for Entities with a Cross-Border Dimension*

Does the law provide for special requirements and mechanisms for the disclosure of foreign nationals, foreign entities or foreign trusts? If so, please specify who is covered and what information must be disclosed.

FATF .....	61	Spain .....	506
European Union .....	140	Switzerland .....	625
Germany .....	275	United Kingdom.....	730
Italy.....	386		

## B. BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REGISTRIES

FATF .....	61	Spain .....	507
European Union .....	141	Switzerland .....	626
Germany .....	275	United Kingdom.....	730
Italy.....	386	Comparative Analysis.....	866

### 1. *Scope and General Procedure*

Does your country have centralised or decentralised mechanisms to disclose beneficial ownership information (e.g. a national registry)? If so, please specify who is covered by such mechanisms and which information they contain.

FATF .....	61	Spain .....	507
European Union .....	141	Switzerland .....	626
Germany .....	275	United Kingdom.....	730
Italy.....	386	Comparative Analysis.....	866

## 2. Ex Ante Verification of Accuracy

Are there procedures to verify the accuracy of the beneficial ownership information before it is fed into the aforementioned mechanism(s)? If so, please specify.

FATF .....	62	Spain.....	509
European Union .....	142	Switzerland .....	626
Germany .....	277	United Kingdom.....	730
Italy.....	387	Comparative Analysis.....	866

## 3. Ex Post Review of Accuracy

Are there procedures to verify the accuracy of beneficial ownership information after it has been fed into the aforementioned mechanism(s)? If so, please specify, in particular, the reasons that trigger such *ex post* verification.

FATF .....	62	Spain.....	509
European Union .....	142	Switzerland .....	626
Germany .....	277	United Kingdom.....	732
Italy.....	387	Comparative Analysis.....	867

## C. ACCESS TO BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

FATF .....	62	Spain.....	510
European Union .....	142	Switzerland .....	627
Germany .....	278	United Kingdom.....	732
Italy.....	387	Comparative Analysis.....	867

### 1. Access by FIU and Other Authorities

To what extent do the FIU and other authorities have access to beneficial ownership information and under which conditions?

FATF .....	62	Spain.....	510
European Union .....	142	Switzerland .....	627
Germany .....	278	United Kingdom.....	732
Italy.....	387	Comparative Analysis.....	867

## 2. Access by Obliged Entities

To what extent do obliged entities have access to beneficial ownership information and under which conditions?

FATF .....	62	Spain .....	510
European Union .....	143	Switzerland .....	627
Germany .....	278	United Kingdom.....	733
Italy.....	388	Comparative Analysis.....	868

## 3. Access by Interested Third Parties

To what extent do interested third parties or the public at large have access to beneficial ownership information and under which conditions?

FATF .....	63	Spain .....	511
European Union .....	143	Switzerland .....	628
Germany .....	279	United Kingdom.....	734
Italy.....	388	Comparative Analysis.....	868

# VII. SANCTIONS

## A. SANCTIONS FOR MONEY LAUNDERING

FATF .....	63	Spain .....	512
European Union .....	145	Switzerland .....	628
Germany .....	279	United Kingdom.....	734
Italy.....	389	Comparative Analysis.....	869

### 1. Requirement of a Conviction for a Predicate Offence

To what extent does the commission of a predicate offence have to be proven? Is a criminal conviction for the predicate offence a necessary prerequisite for a criminal conviction of money laundering?

FATF .....	63	Spain .....	512
European Union .....	145	Switzerland .....	628
Germany .....	279	United Kingdom.....	734
Italy.....	389	Comparative Analysis.....	869

## 2. *Forms of Sanctions*

Which types of sanctions can be applied following a criminal conviction for money laundering?

FATF .....	63	Spain .....	512
European Union .....	146	Switzerland .....	628
Germany .....	280	United Kingdom.....	735
Italy.....	389	Comparative Analysis.....	869

## 3. *Confiscation*

In addition to the aforementioned sanctions, what kinds of confiscation can be imposed in the context of money laundering (e.g. conviction-based confiscation, non-conviction-based confiscation)? Please specify the respective conditions.

FATF.....	64	Spain.....	515
European Union .....	147	Switzerland .....	630
Germany .....	281	United Kingdom.....	740
Italy.....	391	Comparative Analysis.....	871

## 4. *Statistics*

FATF .....	64	Spain .....	515
European Union .....	147	Switzerland .....	630
Germany .....	284	United Kingdom.....	740
Italy.....	391	Comparative Analysis.....	871

### a. Number of Criminal Proceedings

Are statistics available on the number of criminal proceedings for money laundering and the value of transactions associated with these proceedings? If possible, please specify whether these proceedings are the result of a SAR or another origin.

FATF .....	64	Switzerland .....	630
European Union .....	147	United Kingdom.....	740
Italy.....	391	Comparative Analysis.....	871
Spain.....	515		

## b. Number of Convictions

Are statistics available on the number of criminal convictions for money laundering and the value of transactions associated with these convictions? If possible, please specify whether they are the result of a SAR or another origin.

FATF .....	64	Spain .....	516
European Union .....	148	Switzerland .....	631
Germany .....	284	United Kingdom.....	741
Italy.....	392	Comparative Analysis.....	872

## B. SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF PREVENTIVE MEASURES

FATF .....	64	Spain .....	516
European Union .....	148	Switzerland .....	632
Germany .....	285	United Kingdom.....	744
Italy.....	392	Comparative Analysis.....	872

### *1. Money Laundering by Violating Preventive Obligations*

Does your law allow for criminal convictions of money laundering for violations of omission in the course of preventive duties (e.g. due diligence, reporting obligations)?

FATF .....	64	Spain .....	516
European Union .....	148	Switzerland .....	632
Germany .....	285	United Kingdom.....	744
Italy.....	392	Comparative Analysis.....	872

### *2. CDD, Reporting and Other AML-Related Obligations*

FATF .....	65	Spain .....	517
European Union .....	148	Switzerland .....	632
Germany .....	286	United Kingdom.....	745
Italy.....	393	Comparative Analysis.....	873

a. Special Criminal Laws against Individuals

Does your law provide for criminal sanctions against individuals for a violation of CDD, reporting and/or other AML-related obligations? If so, please specify, in particular, the type of obligations and the range of sanctions available.

FATF .....	65	Spain.....	517
European Union .....	148	Switzerland .....	632
Germany .....	286	United Kingdom.....	745
Italy.....	393	Comparative Analysis.....	873

b. Administrative Sanctions against Individuals

Does your law provide for administrative sanctions against individuals for a violation of CDD, reporting and/or other AML-related obligations? If so, please specify, in particular, the type of and the range of sanctions available? Who imposes these sanctions, and upon whose initiative are they imposed?

FATF .....	65	Spain.....	517
European Union .....	148	Switzerland .....	633
Germany .....	287	United Kingdom.....	746
Italy.....	393	Comparative Analysis.....	874

c. Sanctions against Legal Entities

Does your law provide for sanctions against legal entities for a violation of CDD, reporting and/or other AML-related obligations? If so, please specify, in particular, the type of obligations and the range of sanctions available? Who imposes these sanctions, and upon whose initiative are they imposed?

FATF .....	65	Spain.....	522
European Union .....	150	Switzerland .....	633
Germany .....	294	United Kingdom.....	746
Italy.....	394	Comparative Analysis.....	877

### 3. Statistics

FATF .....	66	Spain .....	525
European Union .....	151	Switzerland .....	635
Germany .....	294	United Kingdom.....	746
Italy .....	396	Comparative Analysis.....	877

#### a. Number of Investigations and Sanctions

Are statistics available on the number of criminal and administrative investigations launched against individuals and legal entities for the aforementioned offences? If so, please specify.

FATF .....	66	Spain .....	525
European Union .....	151	Switzerland .....	635
Germany .....	294	United Kingdom.....	746
Italy .....	396	Comparative Analysis.....	877

#### b. Number of Convictions

Are statistics available on the number of criminal or administrative convictions/ sanctions imposed on individuals and legal entities for the aforementioned offences? If so, please specify.

FATF .....	66	Spain .....	526
European Union .....	151	Switzerland .....	636
Germany .....	294	United Kingdom.....	753
Italy .....	396	Comparative Analysis.....	877

### C. CUMULATION OF MONEY LAUNDERING AND OTHER AML-RELATED SANCTIONS

To what extent can sanctions for money laundering be combined with sanctions for the violation of preventive obligations? For example, can one be held criminally responsible for money laundering and subjected to criminal or administrative sanctions for the same criminal conduct for violating reporting obligations?

FATF .....	66	Spain .....	526
European Union .....	151	Switzerland .....	636
Germany .....	295	United Kingdom.....	754
Italy .....	396	Comparative Analysis.....	878

## VIII. THE USE OF CASH AS A MEANS OF PAYMENT

### A. LIMITS

Are there legal limits on the use of cash as a means of payment, in particular any maximum amounts?

FATF .....	66	Spain .....	527
European Union .....	151	Switzerland .....	636
Germany .....	296	United Kingdom.....	755
Italy .....	397	Comparative Analysis.....	878

### B. STATISTICS

Are there statistics on the use of cash in relation to the overall volume of (cash and non-cash) transactions conducted in the country?

European Union .....	152	Switzerland .....	637
Germany .....	296	United Kingdom.....	755
Italy .....	397	Comparative Analysis.....	878
Spain.....	527		

## IX. SUMMARY, EVALUATION AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVES

FATF .....	66	Spain .....	527
European Union .....	152	Switzerland .....	637
Germany .....	296	United Kingdom.....	756
Italy .....	397	Comparative Analysis.....	878