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# COUNTRY ROADMAP FOR IMPLEMENTING A BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE REGIME

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## EU GLOBAL FACILITY

Delivering technical assistance since 2020 in the CFATF, ESAAMLG, GAFILAT, MENAFATF and Moneyval regions

Experience in providing bilateral support to over 30 non-EU jurisdictions

Support provided in a flexible manner, respecting cultural context and building on any existing AML/CFT structures

Holistic and modular approach







## THE GLOBAL FACILITY AND BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

#### Geographic scope of bilateral activities

<b>MENAFATF</b>		<b>GAFILAT</b>	<b>CFATF</b>	<b>ESAAMLG</b>	
Jordan	Algeria	Argentina	Jamaica	Angola	Malawi
UAE	Libya	Chile	Trinidad and	Madagascar	Seychelles
Tunisia		Panama	Tobago	DRC	South Africa
		Colombia		Mozambique	

#### **Team of experts**

- Multijurisdictional and interdisciplinary team of experts from Austria, Argentina, Belgium, France, Italy, Latvia,
   Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malta, UK, Ukraine
- Large network of EU and non-EU partners (BOR, FIUs, regulators, civil society)





### **OVERVIEW OF KEY POINTS**

- Implementation Success Criteria
- Structure of Joint Activities
- Global Facility's Modular Approach
- Technical Assistance Phases Overview
- Initiating Support and Guidance





## IMPLEMENTATION SUCCESS CRITERIA

The process will be quicker and more effective if the following key issues are addressed at the inception of the project

#### **Effective Governance:**

- tailored to local needs and culture
- committed and credible members

#### **Senior Commitment:**

 emphasizing the project's priority and importance

#### **Alignment of Vision:**

initial expectations and visions are aligned

#### **Joint Activity Model:**

 shared resources from both the jurisdiction and the Global Facility

#### **Communication Strategy:**

- engage key stakeholders at all phases effectively
- internal and external communications

#### **Stakeholder Engagement:**

- proactively engage with key stakeholders across all levels
- understand and integrate different perspectives





# STRUCTURE OF JOINT ACTIVITIES

Steering Group consisting of a senior representatvie of the jurisdction and the Global Facility

Project Delivery Manager

Phase Manager

Phase Manager

Phase Manager

Dedicated resources and part time technical speciaists



This project is funded by the European Union

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## GLOBAL FACILITY'S MODULAR APPROACH

#### Jurisdiction will be able to

- assess
- design
- implement

#### a BO disclosure regime that

- addresses national context
- integrates with the systems of other compliant jurisdictions
- is demonstrably fit for purpose

Allows efficient design and implementation

Simplifies cross border cooperation

Allows for a whole of government approach

Ensures that lessons learned in other jurisdictions enhance support for the jurisdiction





## TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. PHASED APPROACH

On peer-to-peer basis by experts with technical and operational expertise

Phase 1

ASSESSMENT, UNDERSTANDING, PREPARATION

Phase 2

ACHIEVING TECHNICAL COMPLIANCE

Phase 3

IMPLEMENTATION, SUPERVISION, ENFORCEMENT

Phase 4

HORIZON SCANNING AND INTEGRATION





Onsite assistance



Remote assistance





## ASSESSMENT, UNDERSTANDING, PREPARATION

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To establish a comprehensive understanding of the existing BO framework and prepare for the BO disclosure regime

#### **KEY ACTIVITIES**

- Country BO Framework Assessment
- Gap Identification
- Policy Consideration

#### **OUTPUT**

A Roadmap outlining necessary actions and policy decisions, adopted by the Steering Group to guide the subsequent phases of implementation







#### ACHIEVING TECHNICAL COMPLIANCE

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To develop and refine the legal and technical framework necessary for the BO disclosure regime set up

#### **KEY ACTIVITIES**

- LP/LA Risk Assessment
- Legislative Action
- BO Guidance Development
- BOR IT Solution Documentation

#### **OUTPUT**

An operational legislative framework and guidance documents ready for the next phase of implementation, with strategies set for addressing identified risks







### **EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION, SUPERVISION, AND ENFORCEMENT**

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To operationalize the BO registry and ensure effective supervision and enforcement of the BO disclosure regime

#### **KEY ACTIVITIES**

- Registry Operations
- Regulatory
   Framework
- Risk Based controls
- Supervision manuals
- Sanctions Design

#### **OUTPUT**

A fully functional BO registry with a competent supervisory framework, ready to enforce compliance and handle violations







#### HORIZON SCANNING AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To maintain the effectiveness of the BO disclosure regime by identifying emerging threats and continuously updating risk assessments

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- Risk Assessment Updates
- International Cooperation
- Stakeholder Engagement

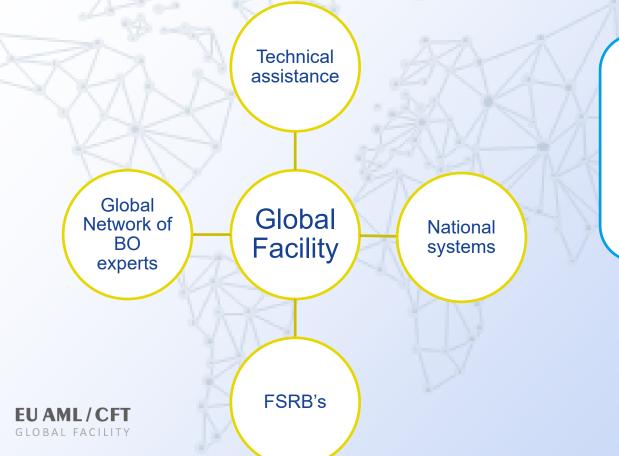
#### **KEY OUTPUT**

A proactive, adaptable BO disclosure regime that remains effective against emerging threats and integrates seamlessly with international standards





## MAXIMIZING IMPACT THROUGH COOPERATION AND RESOURCE LEVERAGING

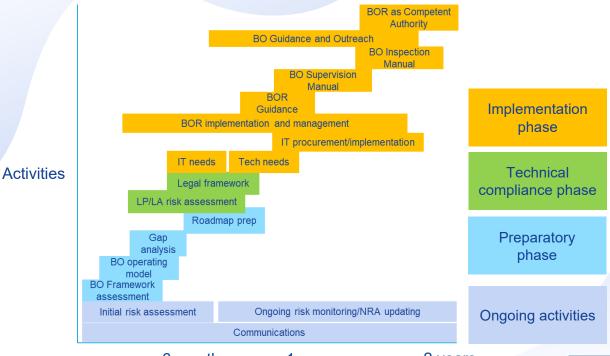


- Mentoring
- ✓ Relevant expertise
- ✓ Rapid reaction
- ✓ Early identification of novel threats
- ✓ Appropriate risk mitigation



## IMPLEMENTATION METHODOLOGY

## Standardised but flexible modular approach





6 months 1

1 year

2 years



## **CONTACTING GLOBAL FACILITY**

The Global Facility is a tool established by the European Commission to aid partner countries in addressing AML/CFT framework deficiencies

## Who Can receive support

### How to Apply

## Assessment Process

## Technical Assistance Coordination

- Open to all jurisdictions needing AML/CFT support
- Priority given to those under increased FATF monitoring or listed as high-risk third countries by the EU
- Submit requests for support to the EU Delegation within the jurisdiction
- Preliminary direct contact with the Global Facility is also possible
- The European Commission evaluates the requests and forwards relevant ones to the project team for further action
- The Global Facility reviews the formal requests and collaborates with local authorities
- Proposes tailored technical assistance activities based on the specific needs and conditions of the jurisdiction





# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

**QUESTIONS?** 

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