

## Bribery Risk Jersey & Guernsey

On the 1 July 2011, the Bribery Act 2010 (the Act) came into force in England and Wales. It replaced the previous patchwork of bribery offences, with four new ones, three personal offences and one corporate offence.

Whilst both Jersey and Guernsey have their own Corruption Laws, the Act has far reaching powers. It will inevitably have an impact on local and British Nationals, including those holding a Jersey passport and who carry on business in the UK.

A company has a defence to the offence of failing to prevent a bribe if it can show that it has put in place adequare procedures to prevent bribery. What is considered adequate will depend on what was proportionate given the facts and circimstances of the company and the bribery risks that it faces. However one of the tests is whether employees have had training. It is therefore imperative everyone working within Jersey and Guernsey's finance industry knows the basics about the Act to ensure that they or their organisations do not fall foul of its provisions.

This Comsure in-house presentation will briefly describe the purpose behind the UK's flagship piece of anti-corruption legislation and then examines in detail the key offences and penalties. It will also consider what is needed to hep organisation's put in place the 'adequate procedures' for the prevention of bribery which are effectively required by the Act, and serves as a valuable introduction which may be complemented with reference to your organisation's own policies and procedures.

In doing so the workshop will also consider the impact on the Channerl Islands by considering other releveant laws such as:

- The Corruption (Jersey) Law 2006 and/or Prevention of Corruption (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law 2003 and
- 2. The US corruption law namely The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (FCPA)
- 3. Associated proceeds of crim legislation

## The Workshop will:

- 1. Summarise the key provisions of the Bribery Act and discuss the implications for financial institutions:
- 2. Offer guidance on how to create and maintain an effective anti-bribery compliance programme and
- 3. Offer guidance on how to deal with regulatory oversight or investigations.

## By the end of the Workshop delegates will have gained a good understanding of:

- 4. The Key provisions within the new Bribery Act and other relevant laws, as relevant to financial institutions;
- 5. How these provisions may impact CI institutions' and steps delegates should take to ensure compliance and
- 6. Practical advice on developing, implementing and maintaining adequate procedures





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