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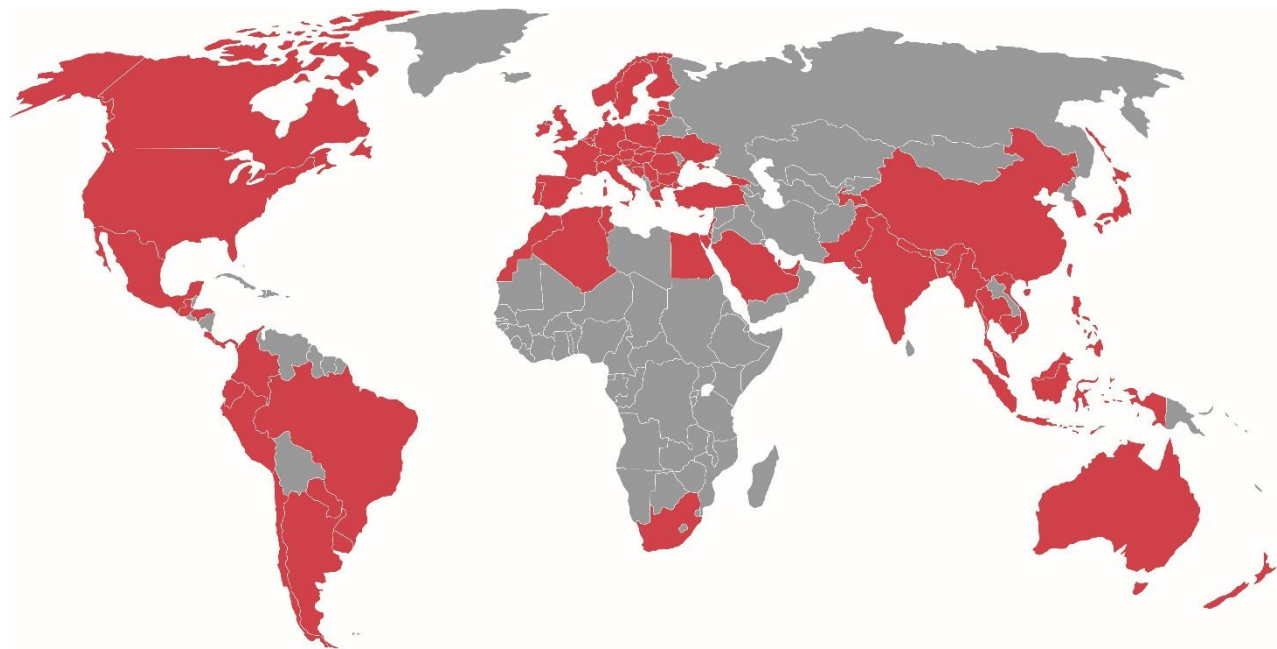


AUDIT SERVICE

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We ensure that Internal audits are performed by certified internal auditors who have extensive experience in the field. We have experience in performing specialised audits.

We have successfully carried out **more than 60** Internal audits for various Lithuanian and International financial institutions (banks, EMIs, Pis) in recent years.



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WHY INTERNAL/EXTERNAL AUDITS ARE NEEDED FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS?



LEGISLATION REQUIREMENT

Financial Institutions must conduct regular audits to assure customers and industry regulators that they comply with the law and best industry practices.

These audits can be performed by hiring an outside auditor or internally by an in-house audit team.



CONTROL FUNCTION

We help to understand whether processes work the way they are designed and documented. In other words – do the daily operations meet internal policies & procedures, regulatory requirements, local and international best practice.

The internal auditor shall report to the supervisory/management body **at least once a year.**



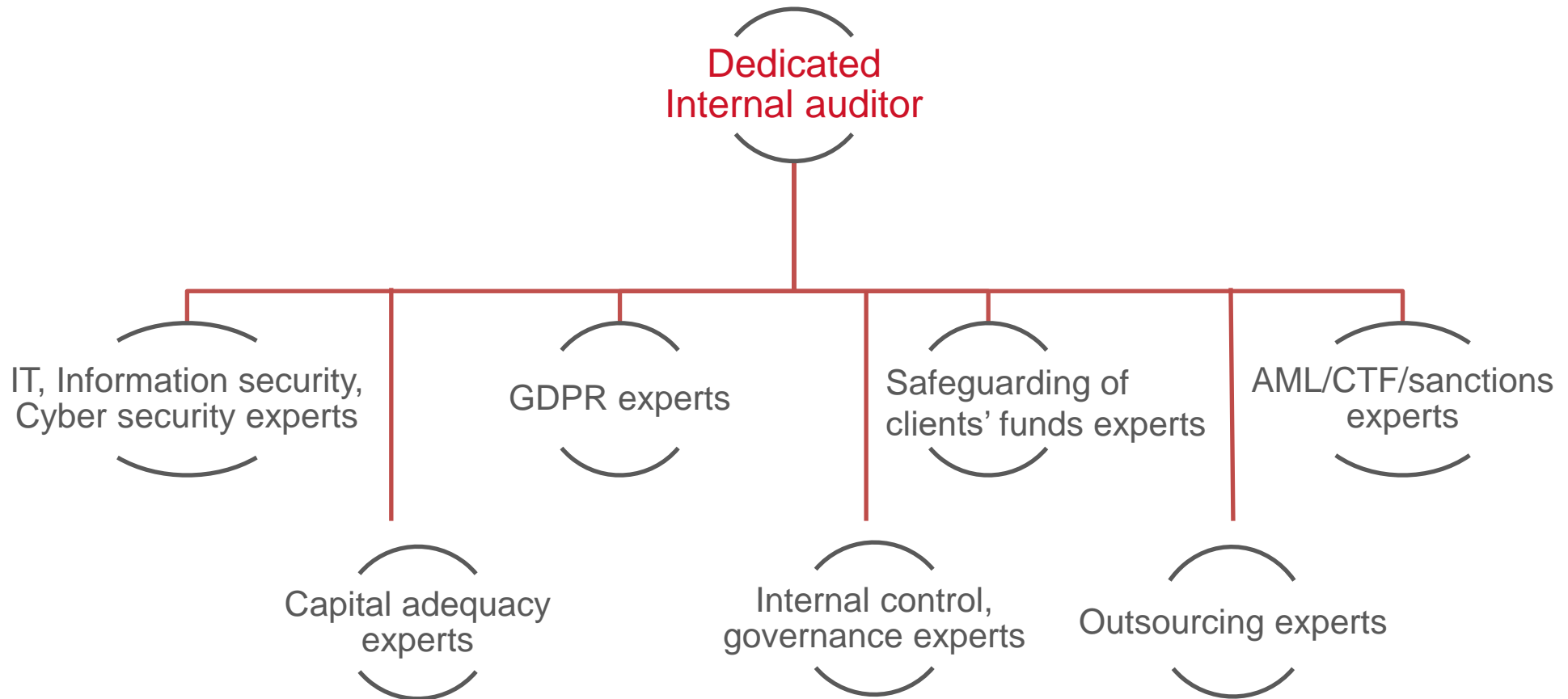
RELIABILITY

An institution's management system is considered reliable when responsible persons for control functions are appointed.

Our main objective is to show where processes can be improved to ensure compliance. We help an organization accomplish its objectives by taking a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluating and improving the effectiveness of risk management, control, and governance processes.



INTERNAL/EXTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES ARE PERFORMED BY THE TEAM OF EXPERTS



OUR PROJECTS

Audit engagements	Entity type
More than 40 external and internal AML/CTF/sanctions audits, 7 support consultations for customers during the BoL inspection on AML/CTF	Bank, EMI, PI
17 Safeguarding of Clients funds audits, 5 support consultations for customers during the BoL inspection on safeguarding	EMI, PI
19 Internal control, governance and risk management framework internal audits, 4 consultancy projects as preparation for BoL inspection	EMI, PI
9 external and internal GDPR audits	Leasing, EMI, PI
11 Information and Communication Technology audits	EMI, PI
Other external and internal audits: Capital adequacy for EMI, Payment service compliance to the license issued, Internal communication, Customer service	EMI, PI

WHAT WE OFFER WITH INTERNAL/EXTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE



COMPLIANCE

Compliance with the requirements of the Bank of Lithuania and EU best practice. Dialogue with the governing body on key risk areas.



CONTROL FUNCTION

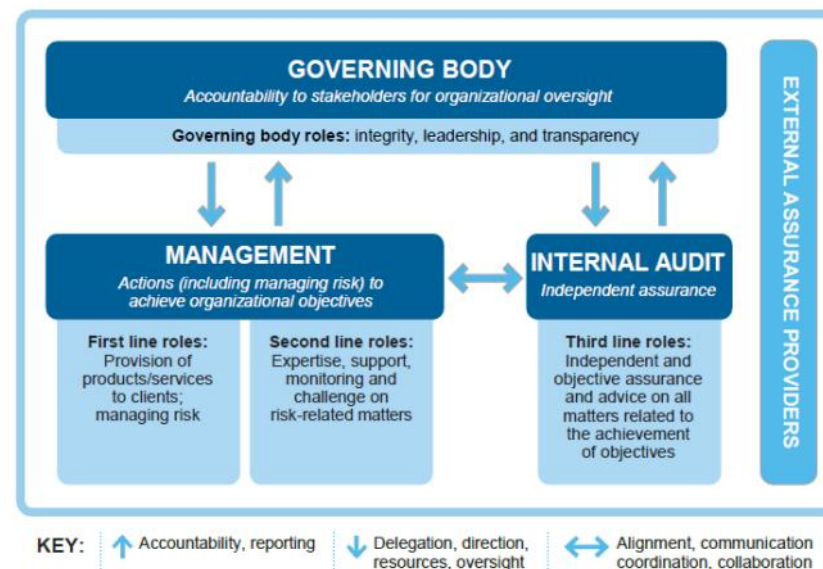
Relevant internal control procedures for the Internal Audit Function (IAF).



INDEPENDENT AND OBJECTIVE

Deep competence in the delivery of audit engagements.

The IIA's Three Lines Model



INTERNAL/EXTERNAL AUDIT MAIN AREAS



AML/CFT and Sanctions
Compliance Program



Capital Adequacy and
Safeguarding of Clients' Funds



Outsourcing
Arrangements



ICT, Operational and
Security Risk
Management



Governance, Internal
Control and Risk
Management System



Data Protection and
Privacy



Management of
Relationship with Clients



Business continuity
plan, SCA requirements



Wind-down plan



HOW AUDIT TEAM WORKS –

GOVERNANCE, INTERNAL CONTROL AND RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



OBJECTIVES

Assess the company's governance process, aiming to evaluate the quality of management and ensure adequate control and risk management.

Assess the policies, procedures, controls, and risk management framework to determine whether the company's internal control and risk management comply with legal and regulatory requirements.

Audit scope:

1. Organizational structure
2. Governance arrangements
3. Internal control
4. Risk management



PROCEDURE AND METHODS

We evaluate the organisational structure, job descriptions, policies, procedures, and other internal documents. We present additional questions arising from the information provided.

OUTCOME

A written report provides an assessment, conclusions and recommendations of the governance, internal control and risk management system.



HOW AUDIT TEAM WORKS – SAFEGUARDING OF CLIENT'S FUNDS



OBJECTIVES

Assess policies, procedures, agreements with third parties, account statements, and other documents to determine compliance with legal requirements.

Audit scope:

1. Governance arrangements on safeguarding of clients' funds
2. Compliance of Internal regulations to legal requirements
3. Compliance of actions performed with internal regulations and legal requirements, internal control
4. Compliance of agreements signed with legal requirements
5. Reporting to the regulator



PROCEDURE AND METHODS

We evaluate agreements with credit institutions, internal regulations, financial reports, bank account extracts, a report of financial audit of financial statements, and other documents.

OUTCOME

A written report that provides an assessment, conclusions and recommendations for the safeguarding of client's funds.

HOW AUDIT TEAM WORKS –

AML / CTF



OBJECTIVES

AML/CTF program:

1. Policies & procedures.
2. Identification and verification of the customer and the ultimate beneficial owner (UBO).
3. Business-wide ML/TF risk assessment and its methodology.
4. Business relation and transaction monitoring, payment screening.
5. PEP & Sanctions screening upon onboarding and ongoing.
6. Investigation and reporting of suspicious activity to the FIU.
7. Management of information logs.
8. Record keeping.
9. Ongoing due diligence and renewal of relevant customer's/UBO's information.
10. Staff training on AML/CTF.
11. Roles & Responsibilities over AML/CTF requirements and reporting.
12. Internal control: testing efficiency and effectiveness, quality assurance.
13. IT solutions, tools and systems used to implement ML/TF prevention in daily activities.



PROCEDURE AND METHODS

KYC files and payments' alerts sampling, AML/CTF policies & procedures analysis, interviews and communication with the AML Compliance team and other relevant personnel, tools demo.

OUTCOME

A written report that includes an evaluation of the AML program's controls in place, findings, and recommendations.

HOW AUDIT TEAM WORKS – WIND-DOWN PLAN



OBJECTIVES

Assess policies, procedures, and the wind-down plan to determine compliance with the Bank of Lithuania Resolution No. 03-106 regarding governance and safeguarding of funds. Evaluate whether the plan suits the company's size and business model, including measures to ensure the execution of pending transactions and the proper termination of contracts.

OUTCOME

A written report with an assessment of the wind-down plan, a gap analysis, and practical recommendations aligned with regulatory expectations and best practices.



PROCEDURE AND METHODS

We will review the company's policies, procedures, and wind-down plan, focusing on risk management as well as supporting documentation. The assessment will evaluate whether the plan aligns with regulatory requirements, defines clear triggers and processes for winding-up, ensures execution of pending payments, and outlines proper termination of contracts and client communication. The review will be based on formal documentation and actual practices and will include recommendations where implementation gaps are identified, in line with the Bank of Lithuania's Resolution No. 03-106 and industry standards.

HOW AUDIT TEAM WORKS –

ICT (DORA) ARTICLES 6 AND 7



OBJECTIVES

To assess the maturity of the information and communication technologies (ICT) management system within the organization (IT audit), to review and assess the compliance with the ICT, Security Risk Management best international practice and DORA requirements.

OUTCOME

A written report includes evaluating the DORA ICT program's controls in place, findings, and practical recommendations to improve the user interface and functionalities.



PROCEDURE AND METHODS

The internal audit is conducted using a structured approach that includes reviewing formal policies, internal procedures, user guidelines, and ICT risk management reports. It also evaluates internal regulations based on submitted documentation, a general questionnaire completed by the Company, and information gathered through interviews and email communication with staff. The audit assesses the alignment of ICT governance with DORA requirements and GDPR obligations to determine the effectiveness of controls and compliance frameworks.

HOW AUDIT TEAM WORKS – RISK MANAGEMENT



OBJECTIVES

Assess whether the Company's risk profile stays within established limits and whether its risk management measures and methods are appropriate and effective. Evaluate the effectiveness of governance, reporting, and control related to risk management.

OUTCOME

A written report will outline the assessment of the Company's risk management framework and include conclusions on the effectiveness of risk governance, internal controls adequacy, and compliance with regulatory requirements. The report will highlight any gaps or weaknesses identified during the audit and provide practical, risk-based recommendations to enhance the Company's risk management approach and ensure ongoing compliance with the Bank of Lithuania's expectations.



PROCEDURE AND METHODS

We will review the Company's policies, procedures, controls, and risk management framework to assess alignment with regulatory expectations and internal limits. The audit will focus on the effectiveness of risk identification, assessment, monitoring, and reporting processes and the governance structure supporting risk oversight. The evaluation will consider compliance with Bank of Lithuania Resolution No. 03-106 and other applicable regulatory requirements.



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