

Webcast: The Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act

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The Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act, enacted in December 2023, introduced some of the most significant changes to UK criminal and corporate law for a generation. As well as significantly lowering the bar for UK authorities to bring prosecutions against international companies for economic crimes, and introducing a new corporate offence of 'failing to prevent fraud', the legislation introduced steps to ensure the integrity of information held on the register at Companies House. It also significantly expanded UK law enforcement's ability to seize and sell crypto assets. This session covers the headline changes around economic crime but also the areas which have gathered less attention and explains how those rule changes can impact national and international companies.

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