

# Lahiru Navamal Bandara, MBA (UK)

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## Professional Summary

MBA-qualified professional with 12+ years of experience in Financial Crime Compliance, AML/CFT, KYC/CDD, and Risk Management across the UK, MENA, and APAC regions. Skilled in transaction monitoring, sanctions screening, and regulatory reporting, with a proven record of mitigating financial crime risks and ensuring adherence to UAE Central Bank, DFSA, FATF, and global compliance standards.

## Core Skills

- AML / CFT Compliance
- KYC, CDD & EDD Reviews
- Sanctions & PEP Screening (OFAC, UN, EU, OFSI)
- Transaction Monitoring & STR/SAR Filing
- Risk Assessment & Fraud Detection
- Regulatory Compliance (CBUAE, DFSA, FATF, MAS)
- Compliance Audits & Reporting
- Tools: World-Check, RDC, Norkom, LexisNexis, Oracle OWS, CAMP, UCM

## Professional Experience

- Senior Analyst (AML and Compliance) – HealthRecon Connect | Sri Lanka | Feb 2022 – Jun 2025
  - Performed AML risk assessments and compliance gap analyses.
  - Oversaw end-to-end KYC/CDD/EDD onboarding and ongoing monitoring of high-risk clients.
  - Ensured adherence to BSA/Patriot Act and corporate AML standards.
  - Supported enterprise-wide AML initiatives and regulatory audits.
- AML Analyst – Premium Support Pvt. Ltd | Sri Lanka | Nov 2016 – Jan 2022
  - Led compliance operations aligned with CBUAE & DFSA AML/CFT frameworks.
  - Conducted sanctions & PEP screening using World-Check.
  - Implemented robust onboarding procedures and EDD for high-risk clients.
  - Managed transaction monitoring alerts, escalations, and STR filings with the UAE FIU.

- Senior AML Analyst – HSBC Holdings | Sri Lanka | Dec 2013 – Oct 2016
  - Investigated and reported suspicious transactions via SAR/STR filings to FIU.
  - Conducted sanctions, PEP, and adverse media screening using RDC & World-Check.
  - Collaborated with global compliance teams to align with international AML standards.
  - Enhanced transaction monitoring controls to improve financial crime detection.

## **Education**

MBA – University of Bedfordshire, United Kingdom (2024)

## **Additional Information**

Visa: Own visa, no sponsorship required

Availability: Immediate