We are now Refinitiv, formerly the Financial and Risk business of Thomson Reuters. We’ve set a bold course for the future – both ours and yours – and are introducing our new brand to the world.

As our brand migration will be gradual, you will see traces of our past through documentation, videos, and digital platforms.

Thank you for joining us on our brand journey.
DEVELOP AN ACCURATE VIEW OF YOUR LOCATION-BASED RISK

Detailed country risk intelligence from Country Risk Ranking supports compliance teams, helping them to define their risk-based approach more efficiently, while completing routine customer due diligence tasks with World-Check® Online. Develop an accurate view of your location-based risk as part of an auditable AML and anti-corruption due diligence process.

• Enables ranking of countries by risk with relevant details on all information sources; note that such information pertains to the specific country, as opposed to any particular profile subject located in that jurisdiction
• Supports the application of a risk-based approach as per the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) recommendations
• Draws upon more than 200 credible, up-to-date sources
• Forms part of an auditable due diligence process with downloadable reports
• Is part of the World-Check Online portal
• Enables Know Your Customer (KYC) due diligence and location-based risk checks in the same system

TYPICAL USES

Objective decision making – When a KYC screening hit has been verified as a true positive, customers must make a decision as to whether to engage in the business relationship (client, partner or third party). Country risk intelligence can be a powerful tool in that decision.

Supplier on-boarding – Organizations with global supply chains are subject to strict anti-corruption laws like the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) and UK Bribery Act (UKBA). Country risk intelligence can be a critical tool in mitigating these location-based risks and keeping abreast of developments.

Risk-based PEP screening – Check a Politically Exposed Person (PEP) who has been flagged in the KYC screen for any possible location-based risk.

Product launch or distribution – Develop or restrict launch and distribution activity based on, for example, corporate risks or prevalence of counterfeiting in a particular region.

Charity groups/donor aid – Determine which countries are high risk for AML and corruption to plan accordingly for stricter compliance requirements. For example, determining whether aid should be given to any government entity within a certain jurisdiction.

Transaction monitoring – Suspicious accounts can be screened for risk based on their location and help to focus enhanced due diligence efforts.

KEY FEATURES

FULLY INTEGRATED INTO WORLD-CHECK ONLINE
As an advanced feature of World-Check Online, compliance departments are able to complete their customer due diligence screening against World-Check Risk Intelligence, while at the same time checking for location-based risk using the full capabilities of Country Risk Ranking. There is no need to log into an additional system or set up additional user names and passwords.

OPTIMIZED FOR AML AND ANTI-CORRUPTION
Intelligence optimized to support specific needs for AML and anti-corruption compliance, using pre-sets designed in association with industry specialists.

COUNTRY AND TERRITORY COVERAGE
More than 240 countries and territories are covered. By separating countries and territories, we are able to provide a more accurate picture of risk in cases where territories have a regulatory environment different from that of their parent country.

FREQUENCY OF UPDATES
Country Risk Ranking updates the source material as soon as it is available, ensuring the most up-to-date content from our source providers.

SOURCE COVERAGE AND INCLUSION
More than 200 reputable, independent sources from more than 50 respected international organizations and think tanks provide objective, fact-based ranking.

Examples include:

- World Bank
- FATF
- World Economic Forum
- OECD
- European Union
- United Nations
- CIA – The World Factbook
- Transparency CPI

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ADD OWN SOURCES
Customers can submit their own source material. Country Risk Ranking will perform an assessment of applicability and usability, and request permission from the source owner for use within Country Risk Ranking.

ALSO AVAILABLE AS DOWNLOADABLE DATA-FILE
Some customers have preferred to import the data directly into their internal systems for greater efficiency in their compliance operations. The Country Risk Ranking Data-File download enables fast and efficient downloads of the content in CSV and XML format and comes with industry standard security protocols.

For example, country risk ratings and scores can be imported and used as part of a bank’s transaction monitoring program. Use country scores to adjust the monitoring system to flag or alert investigators of transactions from high-risk areas.