

CASE STUDY

Acuris Risk Intelligence

enhanced due diligence through automation





THE CHALLENGE

ACURIS RISK INTELLIGENCE SOUGHT AN EXTERNAL PARTNER TO SUPPORT ITS INVESTIGATION TEAM WITH AN ENHANCED DUE DILIGENCE (EDD) SOLUTION TO SUPPORT THEIR CUSTOMERS' COMPLIANCE NEEDS.

As encompass already utilise Acuris' proprietary data sets, the Acuris Risk Intelligence team were already aware of the encompass platform's capabilities. Key to selection was encompass' ability to automate report production, and the breadth of data sources that are available to users.

Over 1,500 EDD customer checks have been run by Acuris Risk Intelligence in the last twelve months to discover company linkages to specific persons. This high volume of checks illustrated their need to streamline the process and give customers confidence in the work being conducted by their Research team.

Acuris Risk Intelligence have seen an upturn in demand for Enhanced Due Diligence capabilities from several sectors, not least the online gaming industry. These clients are under increased pressure to conduct EDD checks on customers with a focus on ID verification and source of wealth for transactions above €2,000 due to new regulations such as the 4th Money Laundering Directive (4AMLD). New stricter

Acuris Risk Intelligence conduct

+1.5k

enhanced due diligence searches per year

requirements brought into UK law last year are already bringing a further uptick in the volume of EDD requests that Acuris Risk Intelligence completes.

This growing volume of work placed increased pressure on workloads and existing resources requiring a more efficient EDD process, with Acuris Risk Intelligence customers increasingly expecting faster turnaround times.

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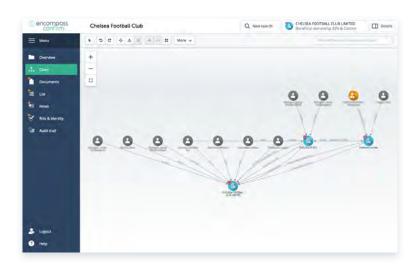
THE SOLUTION

There are several aspects to the **encompass** platform that Acuris Risk Intelligence find particularly beneficial beyond the integrated data sets. One is the "Chart View" that is a "visually high-impact feature which offers 'sizzle' to our reports", according to Acuris Risk Intelligence, and allows for Researchers to explore in real-time.

There were other factors, too. Having previous knowledge of encompass as they did, they saw that there were other facets that could be beneficial for Acuris Risk Intelligence. They were particularly impressed with encompass' commitment to continue to link to other trusted data sources around the world. encompass now has links to over 100 data providers with jurisdictional coverage in over 200 countries across the globe, providing Acuris Risk Intelligence with the relevant data needed to offer their customers the highest quality EDD.

Prior to using encompass, the Acuris Risk Intelligence Research team accessed data in a highly manual fashion. Now, using encompass, not only can data from multiple sources be accessed from one single integration, but can be done so automatically, providing each Acuris Risk Intelligence EDD Researcher with third party information in one place.

Moreover, the makeup of encompass as a company suited the needs of Acuris Risk Intelligence. Having access to a "interactive training, good user experience, responsive customer service and a great sales team" all played into encompass' hands.



encompass' chart view, showing corporate ownership of at least 25%

"THE RESULT

Acuris Risk Intelligence Researchers' have benefitted from being able to produce complex reports in much less time than it was taking prior to **encompass**' implementation. Improving the speed that reports could be produced improved customer experience of Acuris Risk Intelligence and the productivity of the Research team.

encompass will be a key component of Acuris Rick Intelligence's EDD process moving forward. Acuris Risk Intelligence note that legislative changes are usually associated with expanding the mandate to include more and more obliged entities from a growing scope of professions and industries.

With encompass' commitment to the continued integration of relevant data providers, it will be equipped to offer the required access to the sources needed to support compliance with regulatory changes.

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ENCOMPASS AND ACURIS RISK INTELLIGENCE

encompass robotically automates information and news discovery for Know Your Customer (KYC) requirements at onboarding, event-driven refresh and remediation.

Driven by customers' internal policies, encompass automatically constructs corporate ownership structures, discovers beneficial owners, and in minutes screens all relevant entities and persons for regulatory, reputational and financial risk.

The combination of Acuris Risk Intelligence data and encompass technology also makes it possible to achieve the understanding of corporate hierarchies that 4AMLD and 5AMLD demand. encompass creates an easy-to-understand visual representation of a company that can be viewed alongside adverse media and PEP records for a full picture.

For financial crime professionals, this blend of structured content and robust technology offers an ideal way to optimise compliance workflows.

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ABOUT

ACURIS RISK INTELLIGENCE

A trusted and independent provider of data intelligence for Anti-Money Laundering, Anti-Corruption and Cyber Security professionals. A powerful overview and enhanced risk management service.

Since 2004, Acuris Risk Intelligence (formerly C6 Intelligence) has been gathering the most comprehensive database of actionable intelligence relating to Politically Exposed Persons (PEPs) and Sanctioned Individuals, Companies and Jurisdictions.

During this time Acuris Risk Intelligence has identified the most relevant local and global sources allowing us to create a unique process of gathering timely, accurate and relevant Adverse Media relating to the FATF predicated crimes list. All of this information is verified by human intelligence

The Acuris Risk Intelligence database covers over 200 jurisdictions across the globe with over 40 languages, allowing us to pinpoint risks associated with forming new business relationships.

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