

ANNEX III 4AMLD - Higher risk factors	ANNEX III AMLR - Higher risk factors
<b>(3) Geographical risk factors:</b>	<b>Geographical risk factors:</b>
(a) without prejudice to Article 9, countries identified by credible sources, such as mutual evaluations, detailed assessment reports or published follow-up reports, as not having effective AML/CFT systems;	(a) third countries subject to increased monitoring or otherwise identified by the FATF due to the compliance weaknesses in their AML/CFT systems;
(b) countries identified by credible sources as having <b>significant levels of corruption</b> or <b>other criminal activity</b> ;	(b) third countries identified by credible sources / acknowledged processes, such as mutual evaluations, detailed assessment reports or published follow-up reports, as not having effective AML/CFT systems;
(c) countries <b>subject to sanctions, embargos or similar measures</b> issued by, for example, the <b>Union</b> or the <b>United Nations</b> ;	(c) third countries identified by credible sources / acknowledged processes as having <b>significant levels of corruption</b> or <b>other criminal activity</b> ;
(d) countries providing funding or <b>support for terrorist activities</b> , or that have <b>designated terrorist organisations operating</b> within their country.	(d) third countries <b>subject to sanctions, embargos or similar measures</b> issued by, for example, the <b>Union</b> or the <b>UN</b> ;
	(e) third countries providing funding or <b>support for terrorist activities</b> , or that have <b>designated terrorist organisations operating</b> within their country;
	<b>(f) third countries identified by credible sources or pursuant to acknowledged processes as enabling financial secrecy by:</b>
	(i) posing <b>barriers to the cooperation and exchange of information</b> with other jurisdictions;
	(ii) having <b>strict corporate or banking secrecy laws</b> which prevent institutions and their employees from providing customer information to competent authorities, including through fines and penalties;
	(iii) having <b>weak controls</b> for the <b>creation of legal entities</b> or <b>setting up of legal arrangements</b> ; or
(iv) <b>not requiring beneficial ownership information to be recorded</b> or <b>held in a central database or register</b> .	