# IACS WEBINAR 2026:

## AMLA MASTERCLASS FOR COMPANY SECRETARIES: UNDERSTANDING THE AML/CFT FRAMEWORK, NAVIGATING ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIONS AND LEARNING TO AUTOMATE COMPLIANCE

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## PROGRAMME DETAILS:

**Date : 29th September 2026, Tuesday**

**Venue : Zoom Webinar**

**Time : 9.00 am - 1.00 pm**

**4 CPE POINTS**

## ABOUT THE ORGANISER

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### Introduction

In the final quarter of year 2025, Malaysia concluded its highly anticipated Financial Action Task Force (FATF) Mutual Evaluation and the nation was upgraded to "Regular Follow-Up" status – the highest rating possible. However, this success comes with a critical caveat: a significant "Effectiveness Gap" remains within the DNFBP sectors.

The 2025 Mutual Evaluation Report explicitly highlighted that DNFBPs (including company secretaries) still demonstrate "***less developed risk awareness***" and require major improvements in preventative measures. For the company secretarial profession, this means year 2026 will be defined by **intensified supervision** by authorities and a mandate to close these compliance loopholes. As authorities pivot to aggressive enforcement, the pressure on company secretaries to demonstrate high-level risk mitigation has never been greater.

This seminar is designed to provide a comprehensive overview of the existing AML/CFT framework in Malaysia, ensuring that company secretaries understand their fundamental obligations and how to address the specific vulnerabilities identified in the recent Mutual Evaluation.

### Key Webinar Topics

- **The DNFBPs' Challenge**: Analysing why company secretaries are considered "high-risk gatekeepers" and how to close the gaps in risk awareness identified by international assessors.
- **The AML/CFT Obligations:** A structured overview of the current statutory duties for Reporting Institutions, including:
  - ◊ **Customer Due Diligence (CDD)** : The "Who, What, and How" of verifying individual and corporate clients.
  - ◊ **Risk-Based Approach (RBA)**: Identifying and assessing firm-level and client-level risks.

- ◊ **Suspicious Transaction Reporting (STR)** : When to report and what to report.

- **Beneficial Ownership Transparency** : Essential steps for identifying the ultimate controllers of legal persons and legal arrangements.
- **Targeted Financial Sanctions**: Navigating the mandatory requirements for sanctions screening against United Nations Security Council Resolutions (UNSCR) and domestic lists.
- **Record Keeping and Compliance Culture :** Understanding Bank Negara Malaysia's (BNM) expectations for internal policies and document retention.
- **AMLA Enforcement Defence Strategy**: Navigating investigations, dawn raids and law enforcement inquiries.
- **Digital Transformation in AML/CFT**: Leveraging Technology for Automated AML/CFT Compliance and Risk Management.

**SPEAKER'S PROFILE :**
**Yong Ii Yang**
**LL.B (Hons).**

Yong Ii Yang is a legal professional with experience in litigation, compliance and technology. He holds an LLB (Hons) from University of Malaya and is the Founder of Legal Compliance Tech Sdn. Bhd.

He is currently involved in navigating complex legal landscapes and implementing innovative technological solutions to ensure organisations maintain the highest standards of compliance. His passion for streamlining legal processes and ensuring regulatory compliance led him to establish Legal Compliance Tech Sdn. Bhd., a company dedicated in providing innovative and effective software solutions.

Throughout his career, he has guided organisations through regulatory challenges, assisting them in streamlining their compliance processes and mitigating risks. He has also provided training sessions and seminars to various organisations [including the Malaysian Bar, Advocates Association of Sarawak (Kuching Branch) and the Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (MAICSA)] on AML/CFT compliance matters.

**Who Should Attend**:
Company secretaries, Partners and Compliance Officers seeking a clear, consolidated overview of the AML/CFT regime in Malaysia to ensure that their firms remain compliant with the latest BNM policy documents.

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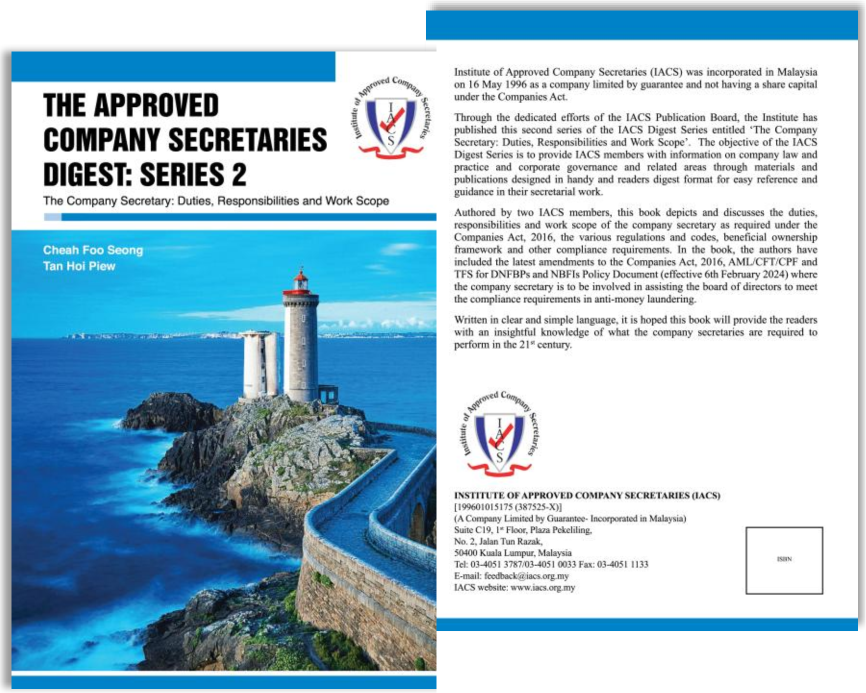


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Authored by two IACS members, this book depicts and discusses the duties, responsibilities and work scope of the company secretary as required under the Companies Act, 2016, the various regulations and codes, beneficial ownership framework and other compliance requirements. In the book, authors have included the latest amendments to the Companies Act, 2016, AML/CFT/CPF and TFS for DNFBPs and NBFIs Policy Document (effective 6th February 2024) where the company secretary is to be involved in assisting the board of directors to meet the compliance requirements in anti-money laundering.

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