





Getting Smarter About Scandals In The City

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A Word From Our Co-Chairman



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Foreword By The Lord Mayor





The Lord Mayor's CIVIC Plan to restore trust in the City and the industries that work there, is much to be welcomed and deserves every support. Five principles have been put forward, using the mnemonic CIVIC:

- Competence and skills doing what you do well;
- Integrity being honest, straightforward and reliable;
- Value to society recognising and meeting wider societal needs;
- Interests of others respecting the interests of customers, employees and investors;
- Clear communication being transparent, responsive and accountable.











Established 2004

Networking, debates and speakers you don't usually meet elsewhere

Chatham House Rule

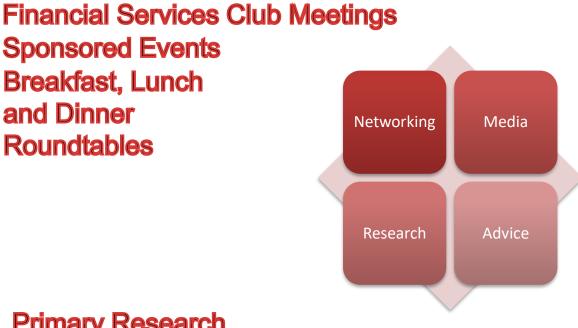
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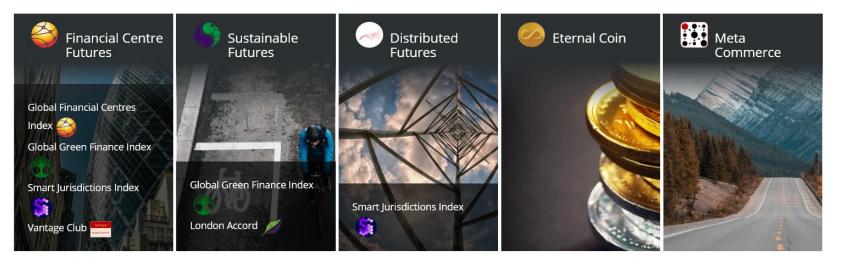


What Long Finance Does



"When would we know our financial system is working?"

This is the question underlying Long Finance's goal to improve society's understanding and use of finance over the long-term. In contrast to the short-termism that defines today's economic views, the Long Finance time-frame is roughly 100 years.

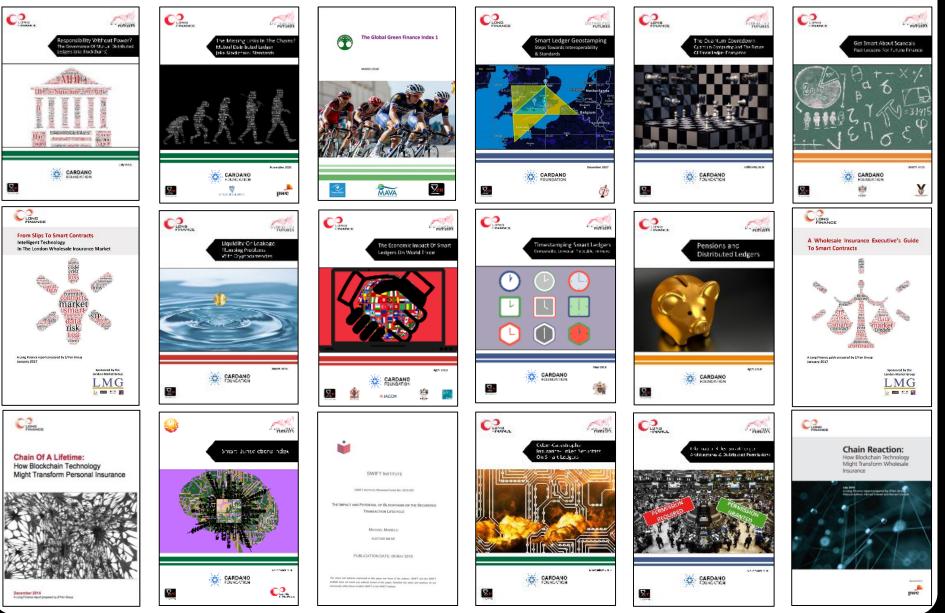






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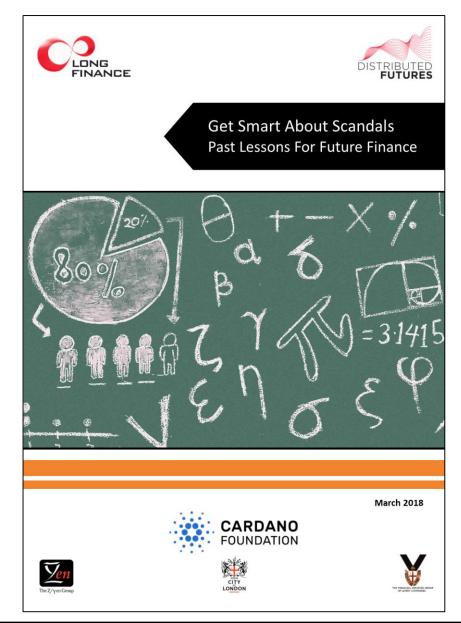






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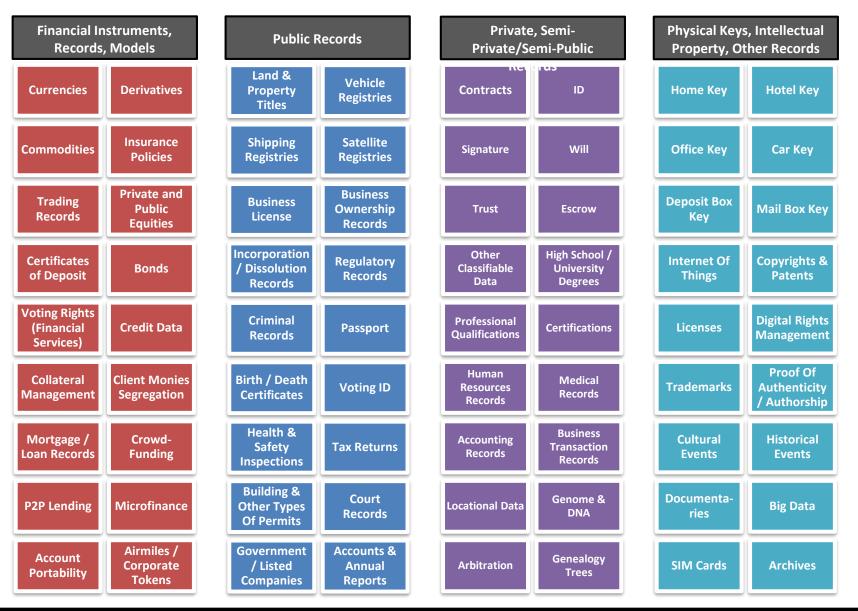






Smart Ledgers Hold Immense Promise









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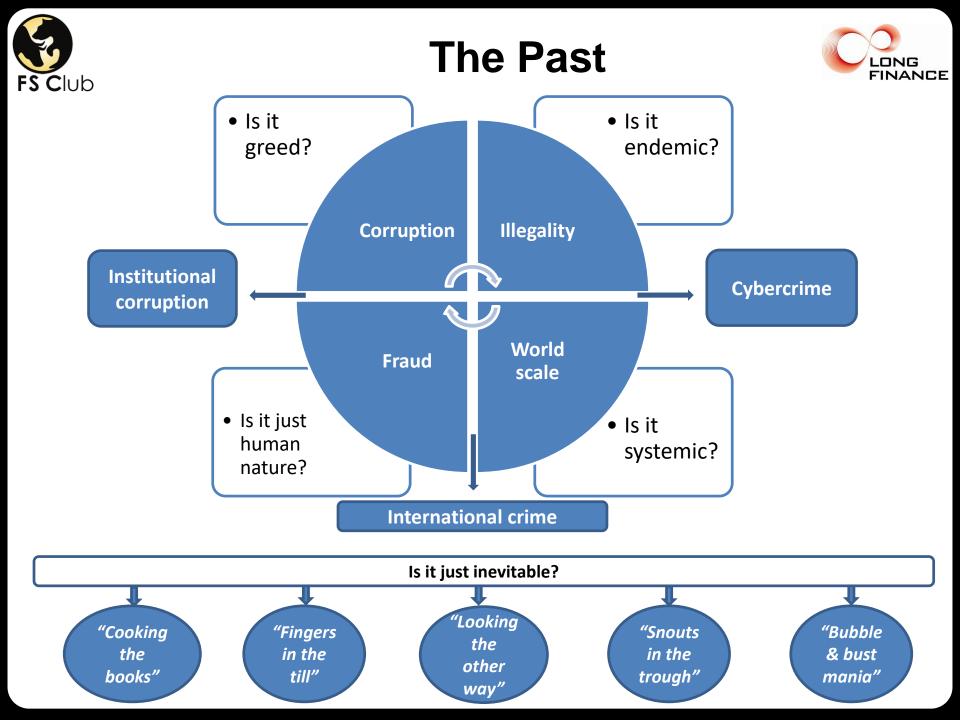




Scandals: Approach



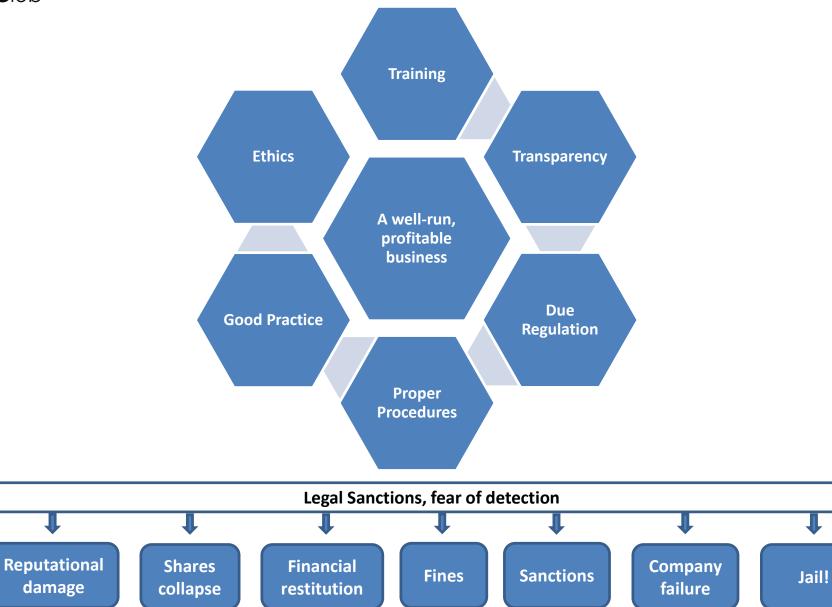
- Workshop
- Historical Context
- Scandals: How To Identify Them And How To Stop Them
- Vehicles For Fraudulent Behaviour
- Corrupt Practices And Procedures
- Bubble, Booms And Busts
- The Good Guys: Scandals And How To Avoid Them
- The Future Direction And Dynamics Of Financial Scandals
- Conclusions & Recommendations





The Present...

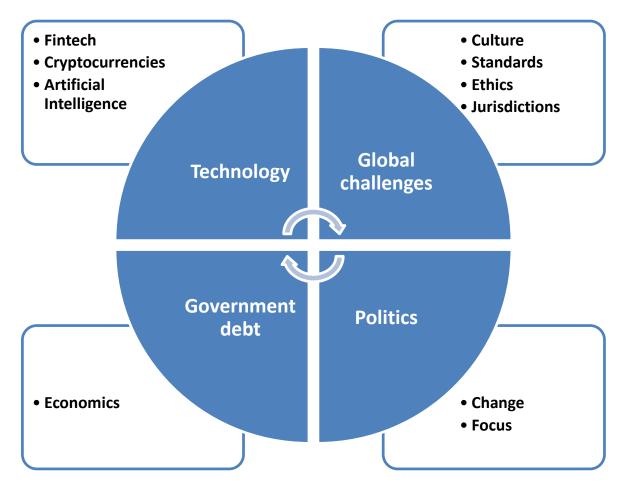


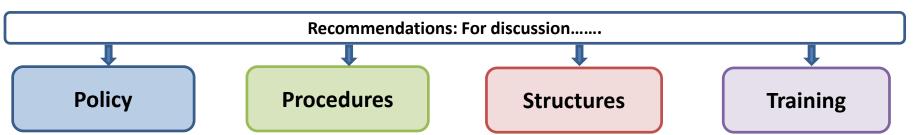




The Future...?









Scandals: Conclusions



- 1. There is too much detailed regulation
- 2. Regulations are too complex to detect or prevent financial scandals
- 3. One size of regulation does not fit all
- 4. Although current forms of sanction for violation of financial regulation are severe, they don't seem to deter scandals
- 5. Adherence is paid to the forms and processes of regulation as much as the substance
- 6. Advances in globalisation present complexity and conflicts across jurisdictions arising from differences of business culture and ethics
- 7. Major financial centres have to develop their own specific agents of change to address financial scandals



Recommendations - Policy



Encourage professional and commercial agencies working to maintain ethical standards to collaborate more closely in order to maximise effort and reduce costs while replicating their initiatives at international level for closer co-operation.

Review the financial regulatory and compliance procedures which have been implemented since the financial crisis of 2008 to gauge their effectiveness.

Anticipate improper or illegal responses to new commercial developments, electronic advances and changes in the law through the application of risk management skills and technologies.

Competence and skills; Integrity;



Recommendations - Procedures



More legal powers are probably unnecessary but current procedures and red tape are time consuming and frustrating. Fewer but more robust processes are needed for compliance in such a way that they that they can be embedded into operating functions rather than being seen as an irritating "box-ticking" exercise.

Review best working processes so they may be applied to the fast moving changes within professional services.

Strengthen identity and verification checks on new enterprises.

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Recommendations - Structures



Recognise and reinforce the City of London by reference to its global financial reputation but understand that ethical attitudes, legal structures and commercial processes can vary across jurisdictions, which follow different political structures and business processes.

Draw on a wider range of skills and resources to pursue e-criminals with support from commercial and law enforcement agencies. These subject area specialists would be recruited, trained and supervised.

Establish projects in commercial, professional and higher educational institutions to review, consolidate and implement developments and changes in corporate governance. Competence and skills; Integrity;





Review and develop programmes for teaching ethics as well as establishing operating procedures to combat fraud in the training curricula of commercial, professional and higher education institutions.

Revise Continuous Professional Development programmes through commercial, professional and higher educational institutions. Ensure that development programmes address current issues and requirements and provide financial and other resources for training staff and provide SMEs with tax relief on financial costs for both individuals and the companies for whom they work.

Encourage research into new technologies with acknowledged business application opportunities to ensure they meet security and operating standards. Where necessary, set out how external oversight might be applied.



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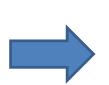
Scandals: For Discussion



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This may all appear obvious but, if that is the case, why have they not been addressed?



Is the industry so swamped by a plethora of detailed regulations, processes and procedure that it is unable to think with clarity?







- It is difficult to "future proof" recommendations. Despite the conclusions and recommendations, will the industry and those who provide regulatory oversight continue to play catch-up over financial scandals?
- How many recommendations require cross-jurisdiction co-operation to be effective?
- To what extent is effective cross-jurisdiction co-operation effective?
- Do cross cultural differences provide a fundamental barrier to effective global co-operation on addressing scandals?
- Oversight of technology and code to prevent /limit financial scandals in future?
- Equipping the City of London to lead the way





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Mary Inman Partner Constantine Canon



Unlocking the Power of Whistleblowers (i.e., **North American** Whistleblower Reward **Programs) to fight Financial Fraud**

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U.S. & Canadian Whistleblower Programs Geared at Detecting Financial Frauds

– U.S.

- SEC: Securities & Exchange Commission
- CFTC: Commodity Futures Trading
 Commission
- IRS: Internal Revenue Service
- Canada
 - OSC: Ontario Securities Commission
 - OTIP: Offshore Tax Informant Program

How North American Whistleblower Programs Differ from European Approach to WBs

- Seek to do 3 Things:
 - PROTECT
 - EMPOWER
 - REWARD \$\$\$

A Uniquely North American Phenomenon

EU-Other Countries U.S./Canada

Reactive

- ✓ Whistleblower protections against retaliation
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 - Whistleblower protections against retaliation
- Proactive
 - ✓ Report
 - ✓ Ability to assist
 - ✓ Pursue Independently

✓ Share

Government's primary tool for prosecuting fraud

Well-placed insider provides road map to the fraud

VS.

Government audits from the outside

Government's primary tool for prosecuting fraud

Senator Chuck Grassley:

"Going after waste, fraud and abuse without whistleblowers is about as useful as harvesting acres of corn with a pair of rusty old scissors."

Former Acting Assistant AG Chad Readler:

"Because those who [commit fraud] often hide their misconduct from public view, whistleblowers are often essential to uncovering the truth."

Whistleblowers Without Borders: International Application of U.S. Whistleblower Laws

Need Not be U.S. citizen or resident to be a WB under American WB laws

□ Fraud must have U.S. nexus – Need not occur in the U.S.

Sources of SEC tips in FY 2018



Source: SEC 2018 Annual Report to Congress on the Whistleblower Program, www.sec.gov/whistleblower

Countries (Outside US) with Most SEC Tips from WBs

Country	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
U.K.	9	74	66	70	72	63	84	85	523
Canada	1	46	62	58	49	68	73	89	446
China	10	27	52	32	43	35	39	40	278
Australia	3	21	15	29	29	53	48	45	243
India	0	33	18	69	33	20	14	26	213

Increase in International Whistleblowers Filing Tips under SEC WB Program

<u>London/UK</u>: presence of financial services industry – securities fraud

- LIBOR manipulation
- Foreign Exchange rate (FX) manipulation

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Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) violations

- VimpelCom
 - \$795M Global Settlement to win business in Uzbekistan
 - \$100M bribe to daughter of Uzbek President

Top SEC/DOJ Settlements in 2018 for FCPA Violations

Offender	Amount		
Petroleo Brasileiro	\$1.8B	Paying billions of dollars in bribes to Brazilian politicians	
Société Générale	\$585M	Paying millions in bribes to Libyan "broker" in connection with Libyan state-owned financial institutions	
Panasonic	\$280M	U.S. subsidiary offered a lucrative consulting position to a government official to entice him to give Panasonic more business	
Credit Suisse	\$77M	Offered employment to family and friends of Chinese government official to garner more business	
Legg Mason Inc.	\$64M	Subsidiary partnered with Société Générale in connection with investments in Libyan state-owned financial institutions (as above)	
Sanofi	\$25M	Paid bribes to government officials, and kickbacks to healthcare providers, in Kazakhstan and the Middle East	

Whistleblowing Works

Improved Outcomes in Government Enforcement

SEC WB Program

- Program Overall (2010 to 2018)
 - WB info helped SEC secure over \$1.7B in sanctions to wrongdoers (up from \$1B reported in FY 2017)
 - 59 WBs have received ~\$326M in awards
 - FY2018: \$168M paid to WBs

INTERNATIONAL WHISTLEBLOWER LAWS

Countries with some form of whistleblower reward



Canada

- Ontario Securities Commission Largely identical to US SEC WB program
 - Awards range from 5% to 15%
 - Awards are capped at \$5M
 - March 2019, OSC paid \$7.5M to 3 WBs
- Expose violations of Ontario Securities law/securities
- Companies traded on Toronto Stock Exchange

Canada

- Offshore Tax Informant Program (OTIP) WB rewards for exposing Offshore Tax Evasion
 - Tip must lead to at least CAD\$100K recovery
 - Award of 5-15% of tax recovered (ex. interest and penalties)
 - No award payment until full amount recovered and case finalized
 - As of 31 March 2018, the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) has entered into 30 contracts with WBs and identified CAD \$29M in additional taxes and penalties, although no awards appear to have been paid (yet)

UK

• HMRC

pays discretionary awards

Competition Markets Authority

- up to £100,000 reward for reporting illegal cartel activity
- Private Prosecutions
- CPS pays informants

PROPOSALS/MORE TO COME?

- Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA)
- FCA 2016 flirtation w/ incentives & rejected
- Ongoing interest in Parliament APPG for Whistleblowing
 - Stephen Kerr MP/Baroness Kramer/Andrew Mitchell MP





Panel Response



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Questions, Comments & Answers(?)













Thank You!