



## Uncover risk. Take action.

Thomson Reuters World-Check data reveals hidden risk in customer relationships. Risk that could breach compliance regulation and threaten your reputation.

#### A GLOBAL SCREENING SOLUTION

As regulatory demands continue and new laws are introduced, organizations are faced with the burdensome task of assessing, monitoring and disclosing risk, while still striving to maintain their competitive advantage. Since inception, World-Check® risk intelligence has served the Know Your Customer (KYC) screening needs of the world's largest banks and financial institutions, corporations, and law enforcement, government and intelligence agencies. World-Check simplifies day-to-day customer onboarding and monitoring by highlighting risk and allowing you to make informed decisions based on your risk appetite. Harnessing the power of World-Check can help you to streamline regulatory compliance with Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (CFT) legislation and avoid damage to your brand and reputation.

- Understand customers
- Understand the nature of hidden threats
- · Reveal links to associated individuals and entities
- · Highlight cases that require further scrutiny

#### **DELIVERY ON EXPERT APPLICATIONS**

World-Check data is best accessed through purposebuilt software applications that simplify screening for money laundering, sanctions and threat finance and enable detailed monitoring of Politically Exposed Person (PEP) relationships and networks, as well as a variety of specific third party risks.

It is important to note that World-Check is designed to alert users to possible risk and to situations where further scrutiny may be appropriate. This does not imply that subjects included in World-Check necessarily pose actual risk.

## A ground-breaking solution that defined the future

#### **OVER A DECADE IN THE MAKING**

Founded in 1999 to meet the Swiss banking community's KYC requirements, World-Check data pioneered the provision of open source intelligence for customer database entity screening and was instrumental in shaping the future of the industry. Today, World-Check continues to provide quality risk intelligence and support the compliance process in areas such as PEP monitoring, AML screening and financial crime control. Through its extensive negative media research, it acts as an early warning system for hidden risk.

- » Sanctions Screening
- » PEP Monitoring
- » Anti-Money Laundering
- » Countering the Financing of Terrorism
- » Anti-Bribery & Corruption
- » Organized Crime
- » Third Party Risk

#### **RISK SOLUTION ECOSYSTEM**

Risk Management Solutions from Thomson Reuters are optimized to use World-Check data and enable excellent integration, simplicity of workflow and the best possible content. Solutions include:

- Automated client onboarding platform
- · Transaction monitoring with built-in AML screening
- Enhanced due diligence reports for in-depth background checks
- Opt-in, extension content for adverse media, maritime vessel screening and Iran sanctions risk, among others

Thomson Reuters KYC managed service collects, classifies and verifies a client's identity against a standardized policy. This service is unique as it goes far beyond just screening. The dedicated KYC teams carry out ongoing monitoring of the legal entity and alert to any changes – ensuring the information about customers and the potential risks they pose is always up to date.



## Finding hidden risk in business relationships & human networks

Every day, hundreds of World-Check research analysts gather verifiable, public domain information on individuals and entities in the international community deemed to warrant enhanced scrutiny.



**ISAE 3000 CERTIFIED** Sanctions processes and controls

#### A DETAILED INTELLIGENCE PROFILE

World-Check applies a rigorous research policy, guided by applicable rules and regulations, and all research is sourced from reputable public domain sources. Our researchers comply with strict criteria and are required to remain objective at all times. Furthermore, our quality control processes are regularly audited. World-Check research is distilled into well-structured, highly detailed profiles - one consolidated profile for each individual or entity, irrespective of how many duplicate sources are found. Profiles present the sanction or watch list information alongside any additional negative media that is uncovered. The overall result is a database of information focused on PEPs and heightened risk individuals and entities, their associates, partners, families and extended networks.

#### **GOING BEYOND PEPS AND SANCTIONS**

25% of World-Check data is derived from information on sanctions, watch or regulatory and law enforcement lists. The remaining 75% consists of PEP information, as well as individuals and entities not found on official lists but who instead are reported to be connected to sanctioned parties or reported to have been investigated for, or convicted of engaging in, financial crime, slavery and human abuse-related activities. World-Check provides the reputable media sources upon which the information has been based.

Effective KYC screening goes beyond using PEP and sanctions lists. Such lists are not detailed enough to ensure that thorough checks are conducted prior to onboarding counterparties and, further, that you remain compliant with local laws for customer due diligence.

All profile subjects have the right to contact Thomson Reuters to request a copy of the data held on them and/or to request that we consider updates or corrections as appropriate. Our profile subject access process is set out in the World-Check Privacy Statement available at risk.thomsonreuters.com/ world-check-privacy-statement. Our clients are also encouraged to inform their counterparties that they intend to conduct a World-Check search against them prior to conducting such a search.

Independent global media reports detail instances relating to financial crime, fraud and corruption, often not found on official lists

#### World-Check included crimes:

- Bribery and corruption
- Hostage taking
- Kidnapping
- Piracy counterfeiting and piracy of product Human trafficking and
- other human rights abuse
- Organized crime

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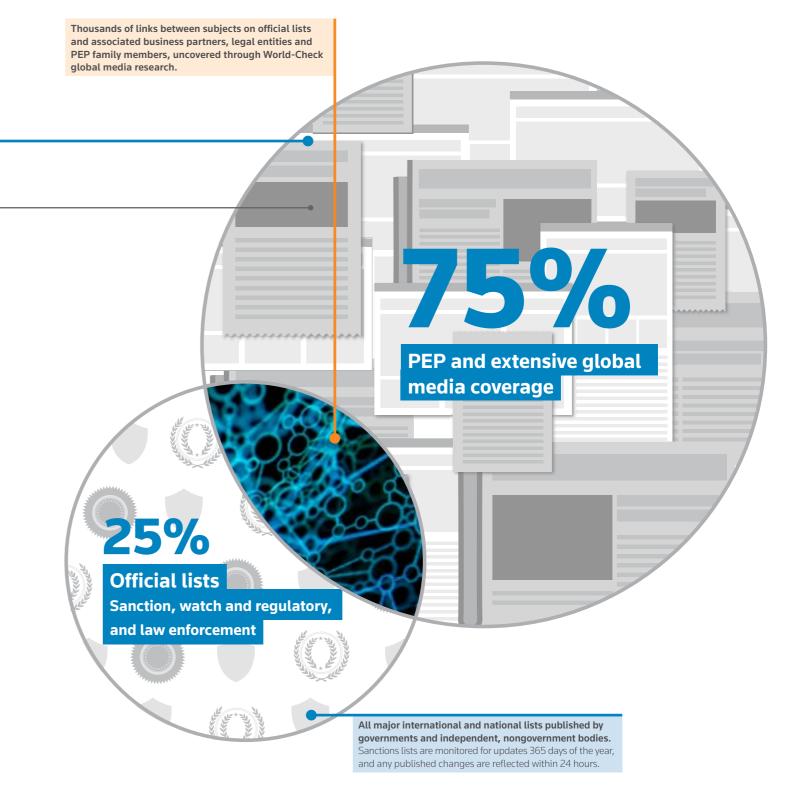
- Currency counterfeiting • *Illicit trafficking in stolen*
- Racketeering
- Cyber crime
- Hacking
- Phishing • Insider trading and market
- manipulation
- Robbery Environmental crimes
- Migrant smuggling
- Slave labor Securities fraud
- Extortion
- Sexual exploitation of

- Money laundering
- Falsifying information on official documents
- Narcotics and arms traffickina
- Smuggling
- Forgery
- Price fixing
- Illegal cartel formation
- Antitrust violations
- Terrorism
- Terror financing
- Fraud
- Embezzlement
- Theft
- Cheating • Pharmaceutical product
- trafficking
- Illegal distribution
- Illegal production
- Banned/fake medicines • War crimes
- Tax evasion
- Tax fraud

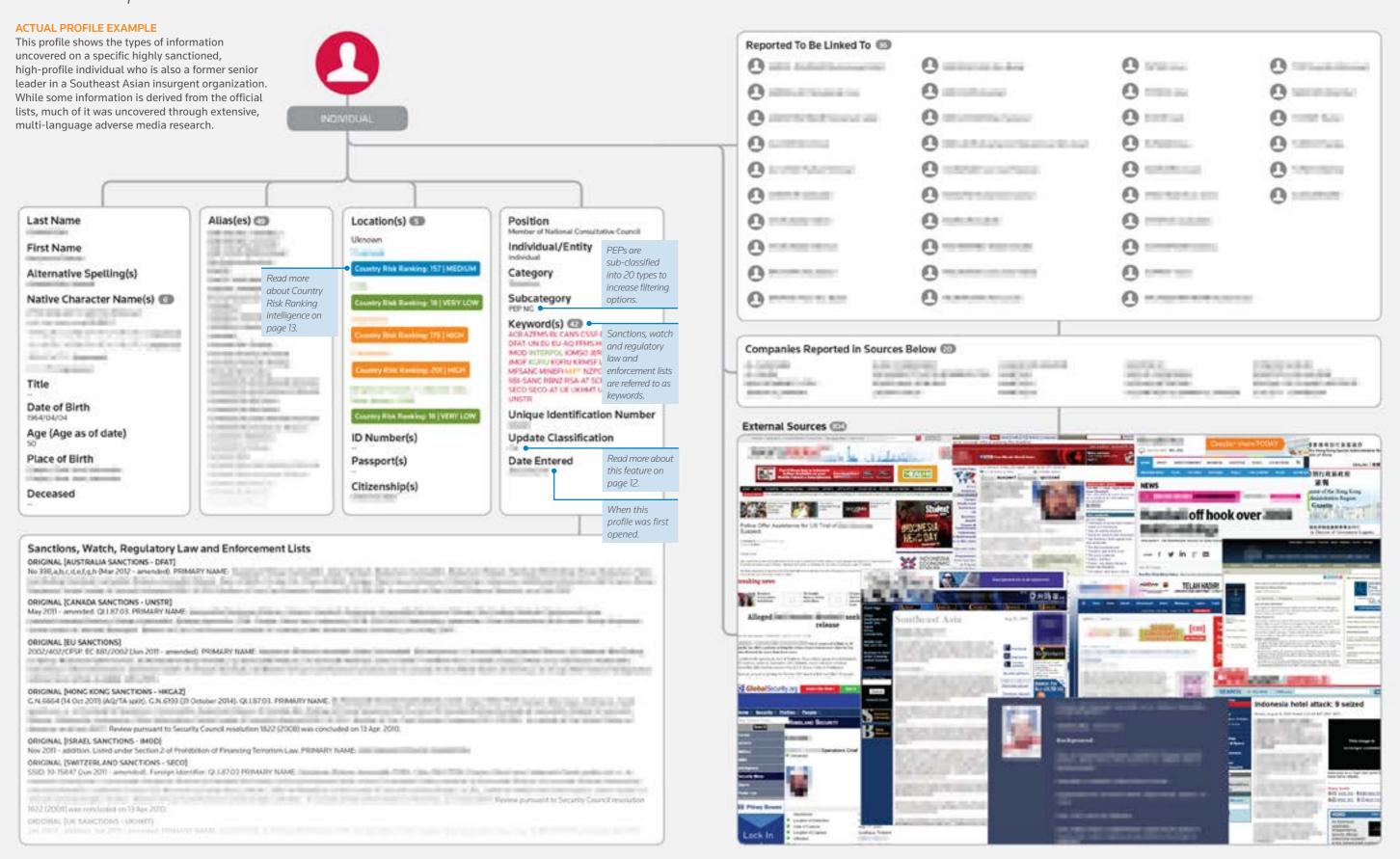
**Facing charges, but not yet convicted** — person accused, investigated, arrested, charged, indicted, detained, questioned or on trial for World-Check included crimes.

#### PEP definition

An individual elected or appointed to a PEP position or an immediate relative or close associate of a primary PEP. Research is based on the PEP definition provided by the FATF and expanded definitions offered by the Wolfsberg Group, EU Money Laundering Directive, USA PATRIOT Act and the World Bank, as well as country-specific PEP definitions. Links with direct family members and close business associates are included. World-Check also monitors state-owned enterprises, including their board members, chairmen, directors and senior executives.



## Multiple fields and secondary identifiers in World-Check data help reduce false positives to a minimum.



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## Connecting the dots

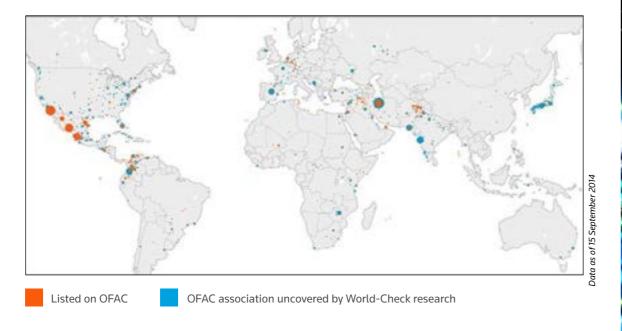
World-Check uncovers connections and associations between the individuals and entities it includes in the database, to provide an extensive, global view of customer risk.



#### 2014 INTERPOL COMMENDATION Global contribution to curb financial crime

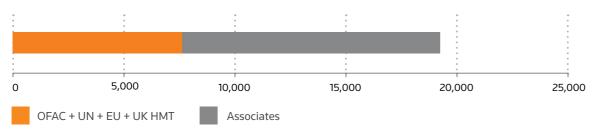
#### **WORLD-CHECK AND OFAC**

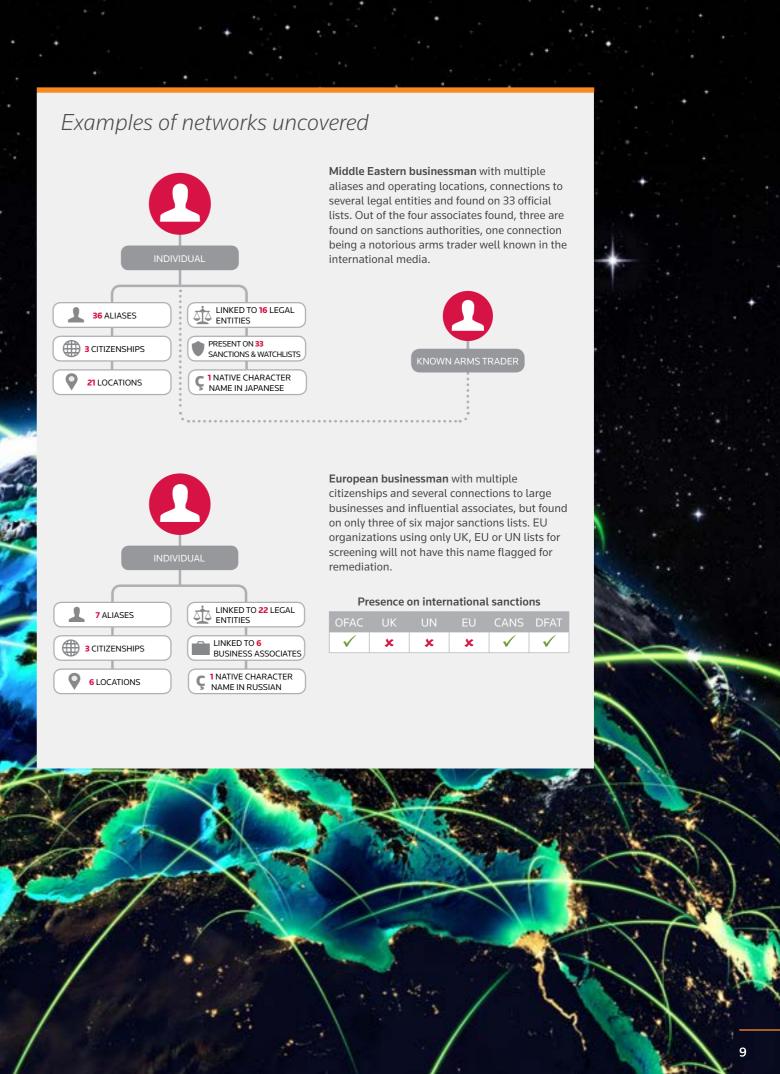
The map shows the current 6,000+ entries in the US OFAC¹ lists. When scanning the current World-Check database, there are 11,000+ individuals and entities listed with reported direct or indirect connections to the entries in OFAC. These links are not identified on OFAC and reveal potential customer risk via a much larger geographic spread.



#### **WORLD-CHECK AND OTHER SANCTIONS REGIMES**

This graph shows the number of World-Check profiles that show connections or associations to the parties sanctioned by the UK HMT, UN and EU sanctions regimes. Similar connections are found when comparing World-Check data to the other 500+ lists it monitors. The **Associate Dynamic Download** feature allows users to download all the associated risk profiles. Read more on page 12.







## Specialist research

In addition to extensive PEP, sanctions and negative media coverage, World-Check analysts also specialize in specific research fields.

These teams work across regions and subjects on their particular area of expertise, utilizing analysts' proficiency in local languages. These specialist research teams cover such third party and supplier risks as threat finance, organized crime, human trafficking, wildlife crime, human rights violations (including forced labor, slavery and child labor), environmental crime, cyber crime and other crucial areas of interest.

A brief look at three of the areas covered is shown below.



#### **ORGANIZED CRIME**

This unit focuses on narcotics tracking, arms tracking and other forms of organized crime typologies, identifying trends and reviewing thousands of reputable sources from the media, government and academia. It uses a network-centric research approach that targets traditional organized crime groups and illicit markets. Analysts are trained in criminal studies and intelligence.



#### THREAT FINANCE

In response to antiterrorism, financial or intelligence requirements, the unit utilizes analysis, geospatial visualization techniques and a network-centric approach to monitor associated networks, their support structures and funding methods. It also indexes individuals and entities linked to threat financing that may pose a reputational or legal and regulatory risk.



#### MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

Geopolitical, economic and social developments have combined to create an atmosphere of chaos and uncertainty in the Middle East in terms of KYC compliance. The unit uses a systematic and specialized research strategy to ensure extensive regional coverage.



# Advanced features — Making the most of the data

money in staff resource and operating costs.

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MANAGEMENT AWARD
Best KYC & Client
Onboarding Solution

**2014 ASIA RISK AWARD** Technology Development

Field Updates	Alerts users to key changes in profiles by tagging updated fields with a green flag for World-Check Online users, and a date for data feed (Data-File) users.
Weak Aliases	Separates out weak aliases such as nicknames, abbreviated names or descriptive names from those that are useful, allowing the user to focus their name-matching efforts.
PEP Sub-Classification	Develop a more strategic response to handling PEPs by only screening against the type of PEP that fits your KYC screening policy.
Update Classification	Qualify updates to World-Check intelligence according to their relevance and avoid spending time checking updates that do not matter to you.
Native Character Names	Screen and match names against the native, non-Latin character sets. Decrease chances of missing possible risk due to translation issues.
Chinese Commercial Codes	Used as standard in the Chinese, Hong Kong and Taiwanese financial systems for transmitting and storing Chinese characters.
Dynamic Download	Significantly reduce the number of records in your routine download to focus remediation efforts and balance downstream costs with risk appetite.
Associate Dynamic Download	This option allows users to download all the associated risk profiles that are connected to the ones specified in Dynamic Download.
Customized Data-File	Reduce the amount of content inside the profiles that appear in the daily data feed download. This reduces file sizes and enables clients to focus their efforts on the data that is meaningful to their processes.
News-Check	An extensive media search tool that allows users to canvass global media for both current and historical negative news on the individual or entity that was flagged during screening.
Display Graph	An interactive map that illustrates associations and relationships between profiles and reveals second-degree relationships, often where the real risk may lie.
Report Name	Report the name of an individual or entity to World-Check if there is a suspicion that they may be of interest to the compliance community.
World-Check Translate	Crucial profile information and original source material can be translated into any one of more than 30 languages at the click of a button.
Country Risk Ranking Embedded	A scaled version of the full Country Risk Ranking application. Provides an average risk score for a country based on criminal, economic and political factors for any countries identified. Comes with default Comprehensive Risk preset, but AML and Anti-Corruption presets are available.

Screen for and mitigate risk in the smartest and fastest way possible, and save significant amounts of time and

## Extension content sets

Thomson Reuters offers opt-in, extension content, targeting specific geographies and industries that fall within the broader remit of KYC risk intelligence.

Iran Economic Interest (IEI)	Following U.S. CISADA <sup>2</sup> legislation, various countries have imposed restrictions against Iran that bar specific exports and investments. World-Check research monitors the reputable public domain for parties that are reported to have potentially direct or indirect involvement in activities targeted by global Iran sanctions. The IEI data set allows customers to screen all of their customers, partners, counterparties and business transactions for potential Iran sanction risk. Supported by a specialist Iran EDD Report.
Sanction Set	World-Check offers the Sanction Set for payment processing compliance. It is designed to be used as part of an automated compliance screening process. It supplies global organizations that screen time-sensitive money transfers and conduct high-speed financial transactions with up-to-date sanctions information for fast, reliable screening. Contains key lists: [U.S.] includes OFAC SDN, OFAC Non-SDN and Non-OFAC sanctions; [EU] European Union; [UK] HM Treasury United Kingdom; [UN] United Nations; [AUSSANC] Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade; [CANS] Canadian sanctions; [HKSANC] Hong Kong Gazette & Hong Kong Monetary Authority; [SECO] Switzerland's State Secretariat for Economic Affairs.
US SAM	The System for Award Management (SAM) is a U.S. government initiative to consolidate procurement databases, which include lists of excluded and restricted parties. All current and potential federal contractors, grantees and assistance award recipients are required to register in this database. SAM contains organizations and entities that are either restricted or prohibited from doing business with the U.S. government.
Country Risk Ranking	Detailed risk-based information on more than 240 countries and territories, divided into criminal, economic and political factors. Such information pertains to the specific country, as opposed to any particular profile subject located in that jurisdiction. Location-based risk screening is part of a best practice, risk-based approach to compliance, and supports AML and Anti-Corruption Due Diligence.
IHS Maritime Vessel Data	Reveals the identity, location and ownership structure of all seagoing vessels of 100GT and above. Includes, among others, previous vessel names, current and previous ownership structure and details on all sea-going, self-propelled merchant ships irrespective of their classification. IHS currently lists more than 180,000 vessels. If combined with World-Check risk intelligence, screening results may reveal financial crime-related risk connected to international sanctions, money laundering, organized crime and terrorism financing.
Adverse Media	Canvass more than 11,000 global media sources on pertinent financial crime issues. Sourced from over 10 years of content, it provides up-to-date context and detail for flagged entities. Powered by Reuters Newsroom.

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Country Risk Ranking
is best deployed in the
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Comprehensive Iranian Sanctions and Divestment Act

## Subscription levels

For organizations that are serious about implementing a best practice screening solution, World-Check risk intelligence offers confidence, expertise and coverage that no other provider can match.

#### STANDARD DATA



#### World-Check Standard

The full set of structured, de-duplicated, risk-based data with multiple secondary identifiers.

#### **DATA WITH ADVANCED FEATURES**



#### World-Check Premium

Includes the full set of Standard data, as well as added features designed for organizations screening large numbers of records and who require tools to make faster decisions on results during hit remediation.



#### **World-Check Premium Plus**

The full set of Standard data and Premium features. Includes more than 40 non-Latin character sets to screen names in native scripts and additional features for organizations with truly global footprints who require additional tools to work in multiple languages and to understand the risk of doing business in an ever-changing global environment.

#### HEADLINE FEATURES

Highly structured information

Aliases and alternative spellings

Subject names in 20+ languages based on the Latin alphabet such as English, German, Italian (40+ non-Latin character sets are added with the purchase of Premium Plus)

Profiles categorized into 30+ categories such as country, type of crime, political party, organization or individual

Identifies whether subjects are politically exposed (PEP)

Biographical information such as titles, positions and passport numbers

Secondary identifiers such as age, date of birth, date of death

Corporate and individual identification numbers such as SWIFT BIC Codes, IMO numbers and national IDs from 40+ countries

Identifies human/business/crime networks by linking associated profiles

Covers 530+ sanction, watch & regulatory and law enforcement lists

Location, nationality/citizenship, place of operation

Available in both XML and CSV format

Available as full download, as well as daily, weekly, monthly and user specified deltas

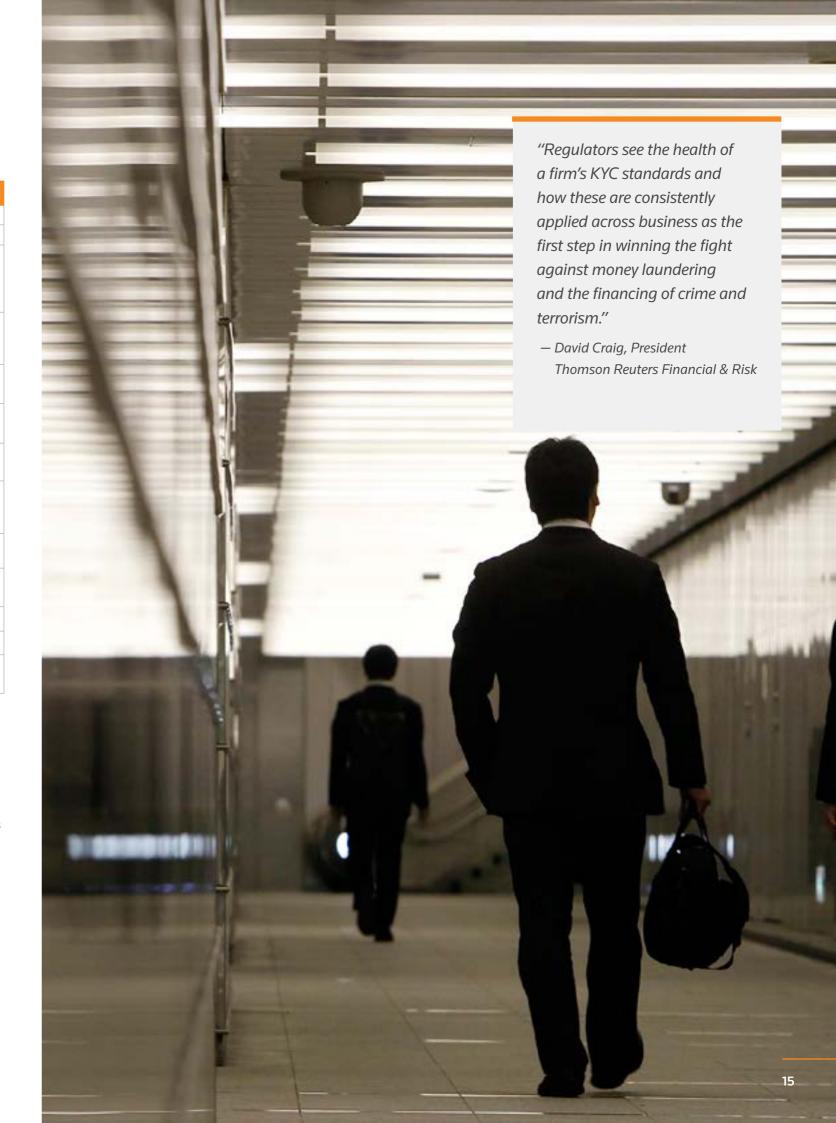
### How to access

#### DATA FEED (DATA-FILE)

World-Check Data-File is available in XML and CSV format and includes compressed versions and security checksums. The feed is also available as Dynamic Download and Customized Data-File (see Advanced Features on page 12).

#### **SOFTWARE OPTIONS**

Thomson Reuters and selected partner applications filter World-Check data and extension content to specific client requirements. Speak to your Thomson Reuters representative for more information.



## RISK MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS FROM THOMSON REUTERS

Risk Management Solutions bring together trusted regulatory, customer and pricing data, intuitive software and expert insight and services – an unrivaled combination in the industry that empowers professionals and enterprises to confidently anticipate and act on risks – and make smarter decisions that accelerate business performance

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