

CASE STUDY



LexisNexis® Risk Solutions Helps Enable Finbond Mutual Bank to Comply with Financial Crime Regulatory Requirements

AT A GLANCE



CUSTOMER

Finbond Mutual Bank

REQUIREMENTS

- Near real-time screening during customer onboarding.
- Batch screening for existing accounts.
- Response to regulatory need in regards to sanctions and PEPs screening.

SOLUTION

Leveraging LexisNexis® Bridger Insight® XG and WorldCompliance™ data set, Finbond Mutual Bank can reduce the time it takes to onboard customers and automate their processes of account monitoring. Not only is the bank reducing friction between customers and themselves during onboarding, they are also cutting on costs linked to compliance through the utilization of our technology.

Overview

Finbond Mutual Bank was a credit provider who has moved to become a mutual bank in 2012. With the decision to expand its services, its obligations have increased, more specifically regulatory obligations for KYC and CDD. At the core of its beliefs, identity and culture, the bank is centered upon achieving results. Its employees are passionate about achieving their goals and setting the benchmark for future performance. With that it was very important for the bank and its compliance department to lead the way in the region with their compliance performance.

- The bank is regularly reviewed through the local regulatory body.
- The bank utilizes LexisNexis® Risk Solutions near real-time and batch screening functionality through Bridger Insight® XG solution.
- The bank utilizes WorldCompliance™ data for sanctions and PEP screening. The bank's needs are primarily local, as they do not currently process cross-border payments, but may expand in the future.

“We are really happy with the results we are getting through Bridger Insight XG. The value for money is good — we get an enhanced system, excellent results and receive on call as well as online support, to ensure all functionality runs smoothly. The features and functionalities of the product are amazing. The enhanced functionality of the system optimizes our ability to comply with regulatory obligations swiftly. The system enables reduction of unnecessary alert generation through enhanced functionality of false positive rule settings and the accept list. This in turn has saved us time, money and provided us with the ability to minimize/eliminate possible capacity constraints. The system has proven its worth through regulatory audits, wherein we achieved excellent results.”

— JACQUES VAN DER MERWE, COMPLIANCE MANAGER – FINBOND MUTUAL BANK

The Problem

When Finbond Mutual Bank decided to offer banking services and applied for a banking license, their regulatory requirements increased. They were required to put in place a compliance program that responds both to international recommendations set out by international bodies, and also to local regulatory requirements. Being regulated means that they are subject to monitoring and auditing by an external body, often a local regulator and/or supervisory body.

In this case, the South African Reserve Bank performed screening reviews of the banks in region, as part of ongoing audits of regulated entities. During the audit, 2 sets of batch files were issued to obligated entities to run through their existing compliance systems. The banks were asked to provide their results as part of the audit.

“With the sanctions screening program we scored optimal results, which were well above the regulating authority’s expectation. The results we were able to generate were very good and our Regulator was very pleased with our success rate. Without Bridger Insight® XG and WorldCompliance™, such accuracy would be almost unachievable for us. We have a product that is fantastic, it is working very well for us. It is very satisfying to work with a vendor that works well.”

— JACQUES VAN DER MERWE, COMPLIANCE MANAGER – FINBOND MUTUAL BANK



The Power of Bridger Insight® XG Screening Engine Coupled with Comprehensive Risk Data

The best way to tackle your complex compliance challenges is through implementing a compliance program that works for your business and its regulator. As part of that program, having a powerful software solution powered by quality data is extremely important. With Bridger Insight XG and WorldCompliance™, LexisNexis® Risk Solutions customers, like Finbond Mutual Bank, are able to achieve just that. LexisNexis Risk Solutions screening engine is coupled with a comprehensive, accurate and detailed data set which allows for the reduction of false positives and high accuracy in matching. LexisNexis Risk Solutions are supported by a team of professionals who offer the set up and support any time you might need it.

“LexisNexis Risk Solutions professional services team came in and assisted with the initial setup. Having face-to-face support and assistance during the initial setup phase contributed tremendously. It is quite simple, our relationship with LexisNexis Risk Solutions has been built a few years back and we have always been assisted, when needed. We have a great relationship and we are very happy with the products and the consultants. This is the reason why we are still using Bridger Insight XG.”

— JACQUES VAN DER MERWE, COMPLIANCE MANAGER – FINBOND MUTUAL BANK



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