

A Potential Threat to All of Us:

White-Collar Crime

Is your company safe?

Despite its elegant name, White-Collar Crime is a crime like any other and a more and more eminent threat to companies of any industry, size or legal form and of significant relevance in all industrialized countries. Especially at the time of achieving more complexity in company structures by expanding international business, entrepreneurs and managers must be aware of the risk of business crime activities by their own employees as well as by third parties. Mid-sized companies often tend to ignore that risk which could be minimised by establishing adequate control mechanisms and prevention means.

Fraud, embezzlement, theft, bribery and corruption do usually cause a tremendous loss of profit. Moreover they can constitute a serious threat to the company's whole existence by sustainably damaging its reputation, even more threatening to foreign entities.



Our services

1) Fraud detection

This service aims at detecting and disclosing fraudulent incidents, including the conservation of evidence and restoration of lost property as well as coordination and support in case of already existing damages.



Examples:

- Precise investigation in case of suspected fraud, embezzlement or corruption
- Identification and investigation of suspicious incidents and disclosure of manipulations of balance sheets
- Analysis of cash and payment flows
- Follow-up, locating and restoring of missing assets
- Identification of the actors and settling the question of guilt
- Conservation of evidences which could be used in case of a law suit
- Calculation of the value of the damage based on proofs or qualified evaluations
- Setting up expert opinions, including recommendations for further actions to be taken

2) Fraud deterrence

The main purpose of our deterrence services is to detect weak points inside the firm which could subserve fraudulent activities. We will check the safety measures in your company and train you how to detect activities likely to damage your company and to prevent these. Finally, we develop emergency and reaction plans tailored according to the individual needs of each client.

Quick check of your company's risk

- How do you detect if internal controls and instructions are evaded?
- Do you apply the four-eyes principle?
- Is there a clear separation of functions between receipt of goods, controlling, bookkeeping and payment flow?
- How do you notice strange working hours of your employees?
- Do employees of your firm live on extremely high standards inadequate to their salary?
- Do you register irregularities in the inventory?
- Do you have a damage of confidence insurance or intellectual property insurance?
- Do you survey the independence of your purchasing department staff?
- Are there private relations between your employees and business partners?
- Do you employ people who seem to be indispensable, never taking holidays?
- Does the competent department of your company double-check the change of basic data of clients or suppliers?
- How do you detect unauthorised intents of access to your IT system?
- Are there any links between the electronic systems of different sectors of your company and is there an adjustment between these?
- Do you change your pass words on a regular basis?

Even the smallest suspicion requires a professional, quick and discrete reaction!

Ask us right in time!

Our Expertise – Your Benefit

- Knowledge & experience in accountancy
- Discretion
- Criminologists and investigators
- Time-saving and damage minimisation

Knowledge & experience in accountancy

Our forensic team is composed of auditors, tax advisors, management consultants and IT experts who are all experienced with auditing and accounting in order to investigate target-oriented and detect irregularities. Embedded in our international consultants' alliance, we can offer these services worldwide.

Discretion

As chartered accountants we work with a maximum discretion, committing ourselves to highest business confidentiality.

Criminologists and investigators

Beyond the accounting and IT, we cooperate with lawyers, insurance experts and the investigators of "KDM Sicherheitsconsulting", one of the leading consultancies for business security and investigation (www.kdm-group.de), working with people with security clearance such as former members of the German criminal forces and state prosecutors.

Time-saving and damage minimisation

Contact us at the earliest stage. Once damage has become obvious and official investigation has started, it will hardly be possible to find a discrete solution.



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