

# Corporate forensics

## Navigating risk with insight

At the recently held Botswana Institute of Chartered Accountants (BICA) international conference, our Honourable Vice President and Minister of Finance mentioned, “Corruption finds a home in silence”. In today’s increasingly risk-prone business landscape, corporate forensics stands out not only as a mechanism for post-incident investigation but also as a proactive tool for safeguarding integrity and enhancing governance. Organisations that leverage forensic capabilities embed accountability at the core of their governance architecture.

### Overview

Corporate forensics serves as a strategic connector, linking ethical leadership, internal oversight, and operational processes. Its value is not limited to early detection and prevention of fraud before reputational and / or financial damage occurs. It enhances legal and regulatory compliance (e.g. anti-money laundering, anti-bribery, sanctions), demonstrates commitment to ethical conduct and transparency, strengthens internal controls through forensic audit techniques and preserves digital evidence for litigation and regulatory action.

Corporate forensics identifies vulnerabilities in systems, governance, and workflows that could enable misconduct or regulatory breaches. It results in swift responses with structured and evidence driven approaches.

Integrating corporate forensics with organisational risk management enhances organisation-wide vigilance and drives data-backed decision-making and investigative findings. It also fosters a culture of accountability through training and awareness campaigns.

As a pillar of ethical governance, corporate forensics fortifies institutional integrity while cultivating trust and confidence among stakeholders.



### Core pillars

Forensic investigation

Fraud risk assessment

Forensic accounting

Digital forensics

Dispute resolution

**Forensic investigations:** Uncovering asset misappropriation, financial statement manipulation, procurement fraud, occupational fraud among others through targeted enquiries. This can also involve managing internal reports (with or without whistleblower platform) securely and discreetly.

**Fraud Risk Assessment:** Proactively detect, assess and mitigate fraud risks across corporate operations by integrating forensic investigation techniques with predictive analytics and regulatory compliance.

**Forensic accounting:** Investigating financial records to reveal inconsistencies, accounting irregularities, malpractices and support legal proceedings.

**Digital forensics:** Extraction, preservation and collection of data including transferring the data population for review. Analysis and interrogation of data using data analytics and machine learning techniques.

**Dispute resolution:** Preparing defensible evidence and expert testimony. Act as expert witnesses including acting as party-appointed experts supporting claimants and respondents, appointment as single joint experts, as tribunal-appointed experts or as expert determiners under local rules and regulations.

## How data-driven decision-making transforms fraud risk management

Data-driven decision-making enables earlier fraud detection, stronger prevention, better investigations, and more informed strategic decisions as follows.

### Data analytics and machine learning

- Detect patterns inconsistent with normal business activity, anomalies and red flags.

### Predictive analytics

- Utilise fraud predictive analysis to design red flags and early warning signs.

### Response and recovery

- Accurate loss quantification using data-driven models.

## How we can help

By prioritizing collaboration, embracing innovation and continuous improvement, our Business Risk Services team empowers our clients to navigate risks with confidence and achieve sustainable success in a dynamic business environment.

### Our full range of advisory services include:

#### Business risk services

- Governance and risk management (including Operational resilience)
- Internal audit (Co-sourced, Outsourced and EQAR)

#### Forensic advisory

- Forensic investigations
- Disputes
- Digital forensics
- Accounting integrity and conduct
- Anti-financial crime advisory/corporate compliance
- Corporate intelligence

#### Transactional advisory

- Financial and commercial due diligence
- Vendor due diligence
- Valuations
- Capital markets
- Buy-side and sell-side merger & acquisition (M&A) advisory

#### Recovery and reorganization

- Independent business review
- Insolvency
- Restructuring

#### Business consulting

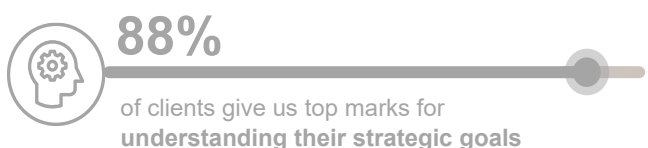
- Finance transformation
- Operational improvement
- Market analysis and Feasibility study
- Strategy consulting
- Integrated reporting

#### IT Advisory services

- IT strategy consulting
- Cybersecurity Advisory
- Data protection and privacy
- IT governance, risk and compliance
- IT audit

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## Our global forensic capability



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