InceSanctions with Windward

The requirements to address maritime and sanctions risk are now integral to financial, operational and political processes. This puts immense pressure on organisations to demonstrate deeper knowledge and due diligence within their sanctions compliance strategies, particularly in light of increased accountability under the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020.

Currently, manual investigations can be complex and time-consuming, which means that companies have to compromise commercial priorities whilst they take time to ensure they are compliant.

Mitigate sanctions risks, demonstrate rigorous due diligence and prevent costly penalties with InceSanctions; our integrated solution in co-operation with Windward, the world’s leading maritime predictive intelligence platform; and U.S. based law firm Seward & Kissel.

What does the integrated solution do?

Combining our legal and consultancy advice with Windward’s maritime domain expertise and best in-class data, the solution provides access to highly advanced, intuitive, investigative data and insights based on artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning, to inform strategic advice on complex and ambiguous sanctions compliance scenarios.

InceSanctions is supported by our collaboration with U.S. based law firm Seward and Kissel. This strengthens our offering for international clients; enabling them to obtain access to sanctions legal advice covering the EU, England & Wales and U.S. sanctions applications, together with the new best risk analysis and reporting tools available, all under one roof.

The integrated offering has been developed in response to existing investigation processes and tools - that can be slow, fragmented and too rigid for the speed at which businesses need to operate. Not only does this support better decision-making, the automated searches are also faster, more efficient and wider than manual methods to keep operations and investment deals moving more smoothly.

Through using Windwards’ data-driven insights, InceSanctions will be able to work with charterers, insurers, owners, brokers, ship operators, financial institutions and defence agencies to determine the best immediate approaches for them to protect themselves against risks but also to take pre-emptive action on mitigating future vulnerabilities.

Evaluating sanctions risks and developing appropriate strategies is an ongoing challenge as political agendas are likely to remain fluid and complex. By working in co-operation with Windward, our maritime sanctions expertise is powered by dynamic, intuitive technology to empower companies to build operational resilience and scalably manage current and future risks.
About Windward

Powering organisations with maritime AI

Windward is powering the maritime ecosystem with artificial intelligence (AI) technologies and actionable insights. By pushing the boundaries of data and technology to mitigate maritime risk, Windward solves the toughest maritime challenges. With unparalleled maritime domain expertise and dynamic, best-in-class technology, Windward empowers partners to predict what’s over the horizon and build future-proof organisations.

Windward values

- **Partnership** - Invested in helping partners achieve their missions through a maritime intelligence platform.
- **Trust** - Deliver fully transparent maritime intelligence and insights so partners can be confident that they are making the best decisions.
- **Expertise** - Combined experience of 200+ years from naval commanders, maritime data scientists, and maritime trade and shipping leaders.
- **Innovation** - Windward are continuously upgrading their data and technologies to deliver better, faster, and more powerful maritime AI solutions.
- **Leadership** - Shaping the future of maritime intelligence by looking over the horizon to identify and build the solutions that organisations will need to stay ahead of the game.

About Seward & Kissel

Leading U.S. law firm with an international reputation

Seward & Kissel has extensive experience advising clients on cross-border regulatory matters, including those arising from U.S. laws involving economic sanctions (including the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Controls (OFAC), anti-boycott, export controls, anti-money laundering, and anti-corruption.

Seward & Kissel regularly advises clients in every facet of the shipping industry, including vessel owners, charterers, financers and lenders, technical and commercial managers, insurers, and others. Seward & Kissel also has deep experience providing sanctions advice to clients in the banking, investment management, cryptocurrency and blockchain, and international trade sectors.

Seward & Kissel’s experience in this practice is substantial and includes internal investigations, licence applications, compliance programs, and in-depth legal analysis of every U.S. sanctions program. They leverage their deep and historical understanding of the shipping industry to strategically advise clients on the nuances and complexities of U.S. sanctions laws.

Additionally, Seward & Kissel has been the primary U.S. law firm handling piracy matters before U.S. governmental agencies, and its team includes former government regulators and lawyers, as well as a deep bench of lawyers to handle every aspect of an engagement.