Middle East and North Africa

This region saw a worsening risk score this year. There was a slight improvement in the area of AML/CFT frameworks, which was the region's weakest area last year. Within this domain, environmental crime risks remain low or medium. However, other indicators – corruption and bribery, public and financial transparency, and political and legal risks – all deteriorated.

**Overall risk score**

- Global average: 4.35
- Regional average: 4.73

**Quality of AML / CFT framework**

- Global average: 5.02
- Regional average: 5.16

**Bribery & corruption**

- Global average: 5.13
- Regional average: 5.31

**Financial transparency & standards**

- Global average: 5.08
- Regional average: 5.25

**Public transparency & accountability**

- Global average: 5.08
- Regional average: 5.24

**Legal & political risk**

- Global average: 4.99
- Regional average: 5.16

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