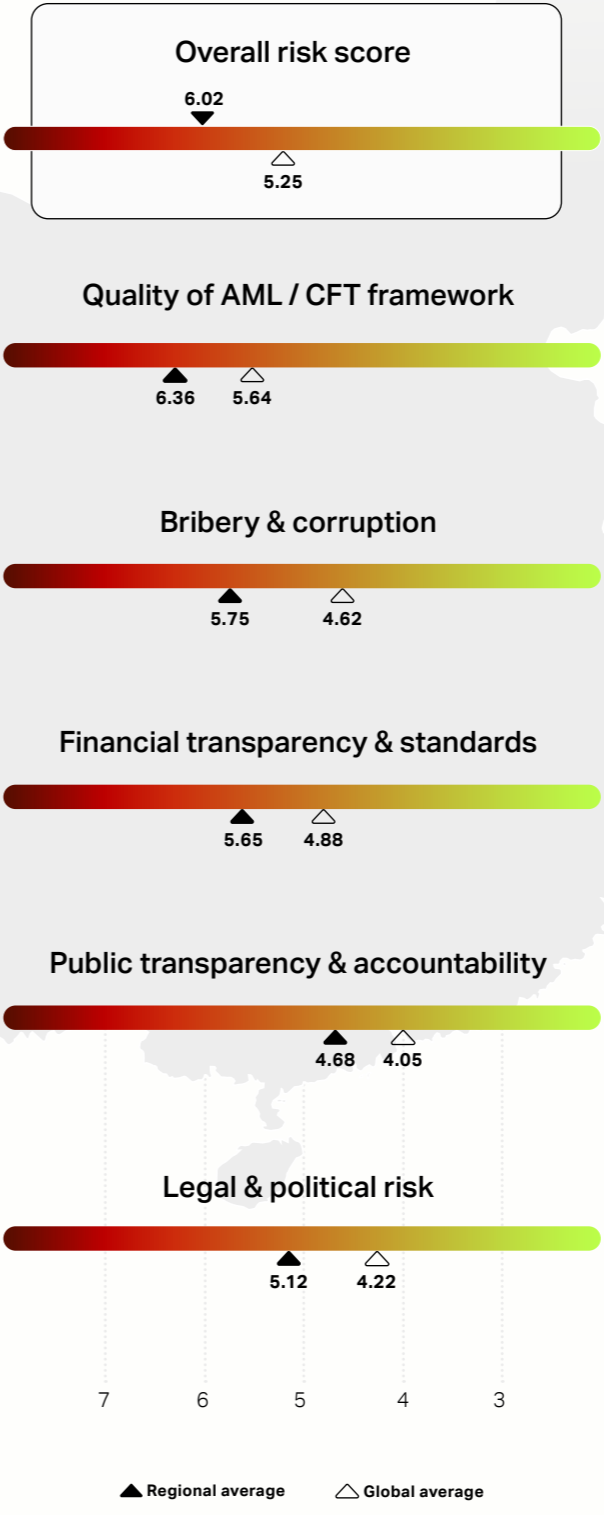
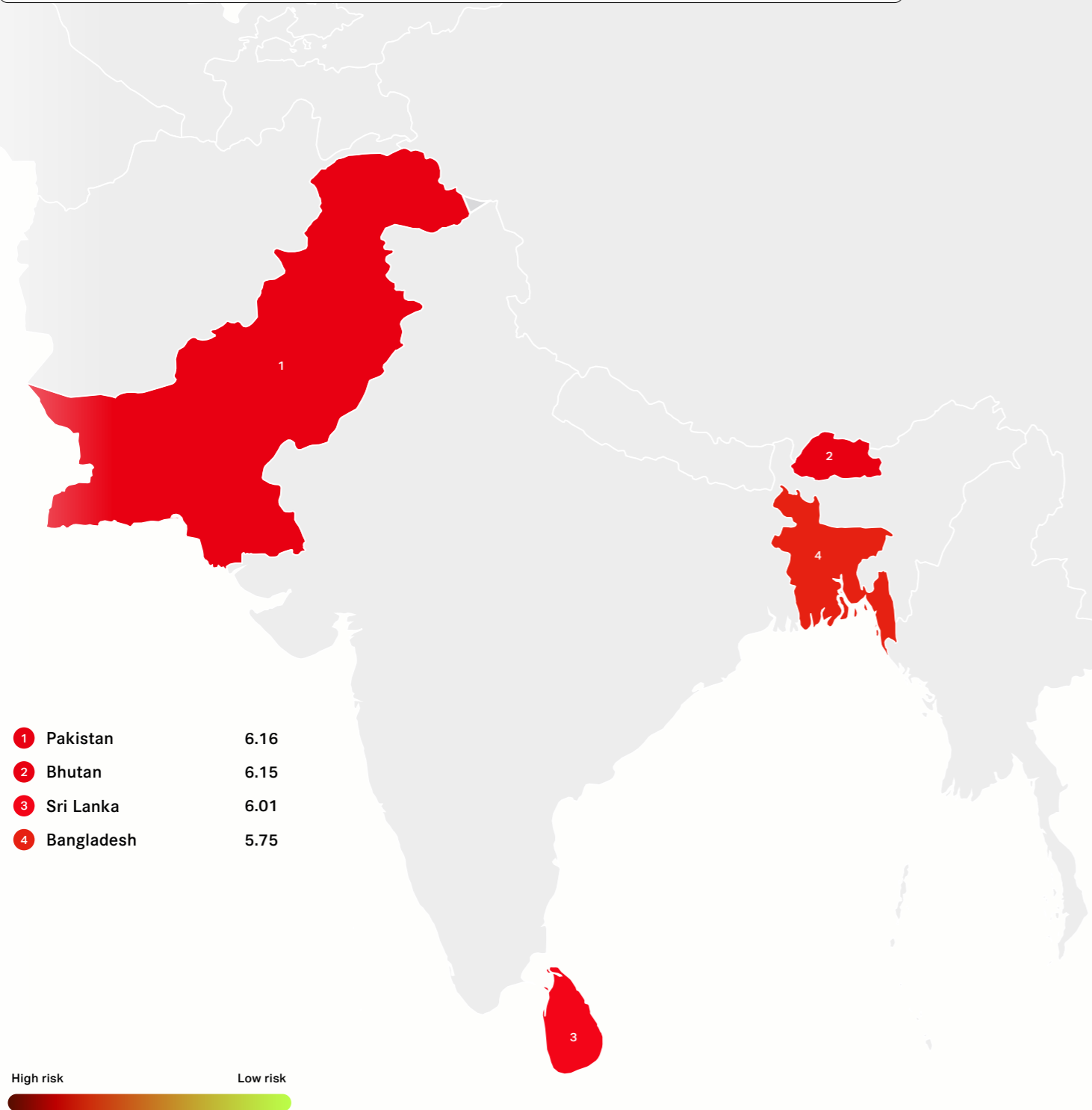


# South Asia

The region's average performance on ML/TF has improved in comparison with the previous year, but it still suffers from higher than average global risks across all five domains. The main drivers for changes in the scores were updates to indicators of financial secrecy and human trafficking. Sri Lanka, Bhutan and Bangladesh improved their performance, while Pakistan's risk score slightly went up.



**WEAKEST AREA**  
Quality of AML / CFT framework.

Beneficial ownership, prevention, prosecutions and confiscation are all weak spots in terms of effectiveness.

Pakistan remains on the FATF grey list as it seeks to address strategic deficiencies in its AML/ CFT framework.