

AML/KYC Screening API

Overview

OFAC API's individual and entity screening and search functions were designed in coordination with the U.S Department of the Treasury, based on latest guidelines which call for a *fuzzy logic* search. The search algorithm utilizes multiple matching techniques; [Jaro-Winkler](#) character similarity and [Soundex](#) phonetic matching. The search returns exact matches, as well as partial matches which meet a minimum threshold as defined by the user. The higher the threshold, the fewer results will be returned and the higher the likelihood of a match.

Data Sources

OFAC API pulls sanctions and other data from numerous sources regularly, combining it all into a single, searchable data set. The following is a listing of sources available for screening through API.

- OFAC SDN
- OFAC Consolidated (non-SDN) List
- US BIS Denied Persons List
- US Trade Consolidated Screening List (CSL)
- US Fed. Housing Finance Agency - Suspended Counterparties
- SAM.gov Exclusions
- HUD Denied Party List
- UK OFSI
- UN Security Council Consolidated Sanctions
- EU Financial Sanctions Files (FSF)
- Canadian Special Economic Measures Act
- Australian Sanctions Consolidated List
- Swiss SECO Sanctions/Embargoes
- French Freezing of Assets
- Japan Economic sanctions and list of eligible people
- WorldBank Debarred Providers
- Members of the European Committee of the Regions
- CIA World Leaders
- EveryPolitician.org
- Members of the European Parliament
- 200+ Global Election Cycles