Money Laundering and its Combat: Art, Football, and Churches

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This is an eye-opening lecture that examines the ways in which money is laundered through illegal activities involving art, football and churches. Criminals have discovered some sectors to be an effective and clandestine arena through which it is possible to launder money internationally. The art world, the sports sector (such as football), and churches all show the need for strengthening or reflection on current means of law enforcement, and improving financial transparency in order to curb financial crime within their ranks. The lecturer, drawing from his own experience with the matter as a Brazilian federal judge, argues for broader institutional and regulatory improvements in order to modernise the fight against illegal money laundering.

Judge Fausto Martin De Sanctis is currently a Federal Appellate Judge in Brazil’s Federal Court for the Third Region, Deputy Director of Federal Judicial School of the Federal Appellate Court for the Third Region, Member of the Portuguese Language Law Jurists Community, and an Advisory Council member of the American University Washington College of Law’s Program for Judicial and Legal Studies (Brazil-United States). Judge De Sanctis is a world known expert on complex cases involving financial crimes and money laundering offenses and has been invited to participate in programs and conferences both in Brazil and internationally. With almost 25 years’ experience as a judge, he has been tasked with managing a specialized federal court created in Brazil to exclusively hear cases dealing with this field of law.

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