

# Gabriela Pellón



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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### • INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT SPECIALIZING IN REGULATORY AND COMPLIANCE WITH FATF STANDARDS

March 2016 to present.

• Expert Hub on AML/CFT Member

March 2018 to present.(acting pro bono)

More than 12 years of practical experience in regulation and compliance with international AML/CFT standards.

Long track record in promoting multi-sectoral dialogue spaces (governments, NPOs and FIs) to resolve complex situations related to the adoption of AML/CFT measures at both national and regional level.

Strategizing around entrenched national CFT measures and norms that have a harmful impact on civil society in GAFILAT's countries.

Support for the policy and advocacy efforts of the Global NPO Coalition on FATF in Latin America.

Technical assistance aimed at promoting legal reforms and greater participation of the NPO sector in FATF/GAFILAT risk assessment processes and risk-based regulation.

*Key Achievements:*

*Spearheaded projects related to Recommendation 8 in GAFILAT countries.*

*FATF Private Sector Expert appointed by the Argentine authorities.*

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION UNIT, ARGENTINA

February 2010 to February 2016

- Head of the Department of National Coordination, National Coordination / Representation Division before International Organizations FATF/GAFILAT/OAS
- Specialized Advisor in International Matters

Coordination of strategies and mechanisms among domestic LEAs and relevant authorities from neighboring countries. Led numerous cross-border currency control exercises.

Drafting of quarterly reports during the FATF's increased monitoring process.

FIU Representative before the OAS Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering (LAVEX); the OAS Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (CICTE), and before the UN Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTED).

Assistance to the Head of the International Department in both the development and implementation of information exchange mechanisms with counterpart agencies, as well as in the drafting of memoranda of understanding.

*Key Achievement:*

*In the role of technical advisor at the Argentine FIU, I was part of the expert team that got Argentina removed from the FATF's grey list in October 2014.*

### MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, ARGENTINA

Consultant at PROGRAMA MI PC (supported by UNDP)

September 2008 to February 2010

Assistant to the President of the National Antitrust Commission

January 2005 to September 2008

## EDUCATION

### Local Development and Social Economy Postgraduate Course

Facultad Latinoamérica de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO)

2004

### Political Science Graduate

Universidad de Buenos Aires (UBA)

2003

## LANGUAGES

Spanish +++++

English ++++

## SKILLS

- ✓ Practical experience in implementing FATF standards
- ✓ Ability to manage solution-oriented initiatives
- ✓ Strong research, analytical and writing skills

## SOCIAL MEDIA



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## CERTIFICATIONS

- Executive Program in Contemporary Middle East, School of Politics and Government, Universidad Católica Argentina (2021)
- Assessor in International Standards for the Fourth Round certified by GAFILAT, Colombia (2014)
- Certification of Associate in Anti-Money Laundering, FIBA AML INSTITUTE, Argentina (2012)

## OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

- Technical assistance to the Bolivian authorities in the design and implementation of the national risk assessment and national strategy in 2022/2023, supported by UNODC.
- I led the team that provided technical assistance to Peruvian and Argentinian authorities to design and implement the sectoral risk assessment of the non-profit sector, supported by GIZ and EU-AML/CFT Global Facility
- Co-author of the report “Mapping on Terrorism Financing Risk in non-profit Organizations in GAFILAT Member Countries: an NPO Sector Regional Report that brings together evidence and insights from more than 720 NPOs in 17 Latin American countries.
- Co-design, development, and implementation of shadow AML/CFT risk assessments in Argentina and Mexico, supported by Open Society Foundation.
- Support and guidance to NPOs coalitions in Honduras, Paraguay, and Uruguay to improve understanding of international AML/CFT standards and collaborate with competent authorities,



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