



Course: Advanced Cash Flow & Working Capital Management

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Course Overview

This Advanced Cash Flow and Working Capital Management training course will provide you with not just the theory but also the practical tool kit you will need to supercharge the working capital and cash flow engine that is at the very heart of business performance and strength. There is no question that profit is a key component of long-term success and growth but business history is littered with the names of profitable companies that collapsed through lack of cash resources. Not only is cash the essential fuel that keeps the engine running – modern economic theory recognises cash flow as being the key driver of business and shareholder value.

This training course will comprehensively cover the principles of effective working capital and cash flow management and will also provide an extensive toolkit of practical methodologies for optimising each of the components of working capital and managing the other key drivers of business cash flow.

This training course will highlight:

Fundamentals of accounting for cash and working capital
Understanding the drivers of cash flow, liquidity and solvency
Managing and improving operating cash flows
Techniques for optimising the components of working capital
Business funding and capital structure
Principles of capital investment decision-making
Advanced techniques for cash flow forecasting

Course Objectives

At the end of this working capital and cash flow management course, the participants will be able to:

- Understand compelling cash flow management fundamentals, including optimizing the functional working capital level.
- Develop practical experience in managing cash flow and optimizing working capital to facilitate such delivery in real-life business situations.
- Increase personal financial skill levels.
- Develop confidence through understanding the primary drivers of successful financial performance.
- Learn many technical skills, all of which lead to the ability to calculate the required figures and implement them into value-adding business decisions.

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- Understand balance sheets and profit-and-loss statements.
- Understand the importance of cash as the lifeblood of a business.
- Focus on crucial inventory, accounts receivable, and accounts payable management areas.
- Understand how to control and manage the cash flow of a business.
- Forecast cash flows and draft a cash budget.
- Evaluate projects based on their expected cash flows.
- Incorporate risk into financial decisions.

Target Audience

Accounting and financial specialists. Those who wish to understand how to interpret the financial statements of business entities, those who wish to learn the mechanics of preparing financial statements under IFRS.

Individuals charged with the responsibility of providing financial information about a reporting entity that is useful to users in making decisions.

Financial accounting team members

Financial planning and budgeting professionals

Strategic planning and head office team members

Corporate communication and investor relations professionals

Investment analysts and advisers

Methodology

This seminar is strongly participative, with a learning-by-doing style that makes extensive use of examples, and team-based exercises and case studies (both numeric/analytical and non-numeric/descriptive), and open discussion. A fair level of numeracy is an advantage in this course as is some prior familiarity with the financial basics of income statements, balance sheets, and cash flow statements (although this is not essential).

The course will include refresher sessions on accounting and the basics of discounted cash flow (DCF). Each day will comprise several sessions, introducing new material to build on the learning from previous sessions. The program is designed to support the company's organizational values, enabling employees to learn key finance skills.

Course Outline

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Day 1: Accounting for Cash Flow Management and Performance

- A performance management model of cash flow
- Understanding the financial language and accounting basics
- · Working capital and cash flow management
- Overview of the 3 key financial statements
- Cash flow vs. profit
- Using financial statements to manage cash flow and working capital

Day 2: Measuring and Improving Performance

- Impact of inflation on financial performance
- Measuring performance: ratios and KPIs
- Benchmarking financial performance
- Ratios for cash flow and working capital management
- Basics of working capital management
- Credit risk management
- Financial modeling for cash flow and working capital management
- · Spreadsheet modeling tools and approaches

Day 3: Strategic Cash Management

- Cash flow and cost modeling
- The economic value cash flow model
- Time value of money and discounted cash flow (DCF)
- Critical investment indicators
- Defining base case, sensitivity, and risk analysis
- Treatment of working capital
- Valuing companies and acquisitions
- Understanding net present value (NPV)

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- Drivers of value
- Lessons from past experience and delivering project value

Day 4 :Optimisation of Working Capital

- Focus on optimization, not minimization
- Key issues in stock, debtors, creditors, and stores
- Settlement options
- Cost of working capital: long-term and short-term
- Practical examples of working capital optimization
- Engaging the organization in working capital initiatives

Day 5 : Cash Flow Planning and Forecasting

- Approaches to managing cash resources
- · Cash flow forecasting methods
- Integrated approach to risk management
- Techniques for managing risk
- Building a fundamental driver cash flow forecast
- · Sensitivity analysis in cash flow planning

testing cash flow forecasts.