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# Course: The Complete Course on Contracts Management

Code	City	Hotel	Start	End	Price	Language - Hours
CO-613	Zurich (Switzerland)	Hotel Meeting Room	2026-12-14	2026-12-18	5450 €	En - 25

## The Course

Commercial and business relationships are based on contracts of one type or another. These are becoming increasingly complex, and as trade becomes ever more international, the differences in approach between different legal and contracting systems becomes a greater issue. All business professionals need to understand what a contract does (and does not) require them and the other party to the contract to do, and the consequences for both parties of any failure. This course is intended to provide an understanding of contracting in the English language, but in an international context.

## The Goals

To enable delegates to improve their understanding of the role of contracts within a business, and how strategies can be developed to improve the commercial outcomes, and the management of contracts. The course will also give delegates the opportunity to consider the latest international thinking in dispute resolution, and how this can be used in everyday business life to reduce conflict and the costs and delays associated with more conventional approaches

## The Delegates

Representatives of all functional disciplines would benefit from this course. The course is particularly recommended for actual or potential purchasing ,contracts or project



professionals, and for anyone who contributes to projects, or is involved in the management of a business unit.

## **The Process**

The training methodology will be a combination of conventional teaching, supported by real examples and case studies. Delegates will also be given the chance to work on short exercises to develop their skills, and encouraged to discuss real problems from within their organizations or elsewhere. Delegates will be encouraged to look at contractual issues and try out thinking on new ideas in a safe environment

## **The Benefits**

- Develop an understanding of the role of contracts in the business world Explain how contracts are structured
- Examine current thinking on contracting structures in an international context
- Improve understanding of the main terms and conditions of contracts
- Understand the importance of change management and control
- Develop appreciation of the collateral documents that work alongside contracts; including bonds, guarantees, letters of intent etc.
- Review the latest international thinking in alternative methods of dispute resolution

## **The Results**

- Improved ability of delegates to understand commercial issues relating to contracts
- A wider choice of potential contracting strategies
- Improved ability for professionals to instruct and communicate with legal departments
- Better understanding of the role of bonds and guarantees in a contracting strategy
- Increased control of change



- A wider choice of dispute resolution methods
- Reduction in costs and delays associated with dispute resolution
- Improved relationships with suppliers and contractors as a result of reducing conflict

## **The Core Competencies**

- Strategic planning
- Contract selection and drafting
- Ability to instruct and manage lawyers
- Commercial management
- Risk assessment and management
- Negotiation skills
- Dispute resolution

## **The Programme Content**

### **Day One**

#### **What are contracts and how are they created?**

- The need for contractual relationships
- What is needed to create a valid contract?
  - Offer and acceptance
  - Intention to create a legal relationship
  - Written or oral?
  - Other legal formalities in different countries
  - Signing and sealing
  - Witnesses
  - Authority to sign
  - How to prove authority



- The tender process
- Involvement of agents
- What happens if there is no contract, but work is carried out anyway?
- Making contracts enforceable - with particular emphasis on the international context

## **Day Two**

### **Structure of contracts**

- Form of Agreement
- General Terms and Conditions
- Special Terms and Conditions
- Schedules or Appendices
- Title (ownership) and risk of damage
  - When does it transfer?
  - Use of ICC INCOTERMS
- Notices and other formalities
- Which law and which courts?
- Different contractual structures
- Traditional
- New structures used in the Middle East
- New structures not widely used in the Middle East

## **Day Three**

### **Collateral documents**

- Bonds and guarantees
  - Tender Bonds



- Advance Payment Bonds
- Performance Bonds
- Warranty Bonds
- Parent Company Guarantees
- Retention/Withholding
- Retention Bonds
- Letters of intent
- Letters of award
- Letters of comfort or awareness
- Types
- Who should carry the cover?
- How should you manage claims?
- Are banks or insurance companies good enough security?
- Insurance policies
- Assessing the need for financial security in the current economic climate

## **Day Four**

- Changes to the Contract documents
  - Need for consent
  - Assignment/Novation explained and distinguished
  - Waiver
- Changes to the scope
- Variation clauses
- Notice provisions
- Valuation of variations and changes
- Claims - what they are, and how they arise
- Delay caused by client
- Delay caused by contractor/supplier
- Force majeure



- Delay and disruption

## **Day Five**

### **Resolving Disputes**

- Negotiation
- Staged dispute resolution clauses
- Litigation
- Arbitration
- New best practices in dispute resolution
- Mediation
- Conciliation
- Early neutral evaluation
- Expert determination
- Mini-arbitration
- Pendulum arbitration
- Final questions and review of course



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- Theoretical lectures supported by PowerPoint presentations and visual materials (videos and short films).
- Scientific evaluation of participants before and after the program to measure progress and knowledge acquisition.
- Brainstorming sessions and practical role-playing to simulate real-life scenarios.
- Case studies tailored to align with the training content and participants work nature.
- Assessment tests conducted at the end of the program to evaluate the achievement of training objectives.

Each participant receives the training material (both theoretical and practical) in printed form and saved on a CD or flash drive. Detailed reports, including attendance records, final results, and overall program evaluations, are also provided.

Training materials are prepared professionally by a team of experts and specialists in various fields. At the end of the program, participants are awarded a professional attendance certificate, signed and accredited by the Scandinavian Academy for Training and Development.

### **Program Timings:**

- 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM in Arab cities.
- 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM in European and Asian cities.

### **The program includes:**

- A daily Coffee Break provided during the sessions to ensure participants comfort.