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Course: Mastering Contracts Management , The 5 day MBA

Code	City	Hotel	Start	End	Price	Language - Hours
340	Vienna (Austria)	Hotel Meeting Room	2025-10-20	2025-10-24	5450 €	En - 25

Introduction

Since the contract is at the core of all commercial transactions it is understandable that contracts management is a core competency of all successful organisations. World-Class organisations understand well the benefits of increased profits and higher productivity resulting from mastering best practices in the important phases of contract management.

This seminar provides both strategic and practical insights into:

- Negotiations,
- Price and Cost analysis
- Managing risk through contract types,
- Critical source selection,
- Contract administration and claims disputes

Objectives

Participants attending the program will gain from:

- Developing negotiation skill sets to gain the organisation's objectives
- Understanding important aspects of price and cost analysis
- Exploring the various pricing models used in preparing proposals
- Learning about contract types and how they transfer risk



- Dealing with volatile materials pricing
- Evaluating Performance-Based Service Contracting Methods

Training Methodology

- Participants will increase their knowledge base and skill sets through a variety of instructional methods including lecture by an experienced practitioner and consultant who has “been there-done that”, individual and group exercises, reviewing published articles, checklists, and group discussions covering current practices and their relationship to the implementation of new concepts.
- Attendees are encouraged to present problems for discussion on a confidential basis, and to share their experience of particular issues in their company or industry. A supportive comprehensive course manual, in both printed and CD form, enabling practical application and reinforcement is provided. Time will be allowed for general discussions, and for one-to-one discussion with the senior consultant.

Organisational Impact

The organization will benefit by:

- Having better outcomes in commercial transactions.
- Having better trained contract personnel leading and guiding the contracting process.
- Continuous improvement in customer service.
- Higher productivity of personnel involved in contract activities.
- Making contracting a high value added process.
- Improvements in the performance of contractors.

Personal Impact

Attendees will gain by participation in this program through:



- Mastering skills in managing contract activities
- Improved negotiation skills
- Greater ability to develop professionally.
- Increased job satisfaction.
- Receiving increased recognition by their organization leading toward advancement
- Greater confidence in leading, planning, and managing the entire contract process.

SEMINAR OUTLINE

DAY 1

Contracting and Negotiations Planning

- Elements of a Good Contracting and Procurement Process
- Role of Negotiation
- Negotiation—What Is It?
- Characteristics of a Good Negotiator
- Basic Rules of Negotiation, Part 1-A quote is never a concrete number
- Basic Rules of Negotiation, Part 2-The best prepared wins
- Basic Rules of Negotiation, Part 3-Have many issues and a BATNA
- Negotiation Nuggets

DAY 2

Financial Management and Risks

- Cost and Pricing
- Cost Analysis
- Allocating Overheads
- What is a Fair Profit



- Developing “Should Cost”
- Pricing Models
- Risk Assessment
- Managing the Risks

DAY 3

Contract Types and Payments

- Contract Risk Sharing Continuum
- Types and Guidelines for progress payments
- Implications of Contract Types
- Fixed Price and Cost-Reimbursement Contracts
- Economic Price Adjustment Clauses
- Understanding and Using Producing Price Indexes
- Invoices and Payments
- Parties to Letter of Credit

DAY 4

Source Selection and Contract Development

- When and why to use Performance Based Contracting
- Processes for Source Qualification
- Methods of Contracting
- Developing Prequalification and Tendering Criteria and Applying Standards for Final Selection
- Rules for Drafting the Contract
- Terms & Conditions
- Forming the Contract
- Essential Elements



DAY 5

Contract Administration

- The Critical Integration or Entire Agreement Clause
- Post Award Functions - Overview and Responsibilities
- Contract Administration Duties
- Contract Modifications
- Rules of Contract Interpretation
- Contract Disputes
- Termination
- Contract Close-Out



The Scandinavian Academy for Training and Development adopts the latest scientific and professional methodologies in training and human resource development, aiming to enhance the efficiency of individuals and organizations. Training programs are delivered through a comprehensive approach that includes:

- 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 buffet provided during the sessions to ensure participants comfort.