

The Politics of Global Supply Chains Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Political Science and International Relations	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

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Course Objectives

- Master the fundamentals of **geopolitical risk analysis** in a global context.
- Develop a strategic framework for **supply chain resilience**.
- Identify and assess political risks, including **trade policy**, **sanctions**, and **regulatory changes**.
- Formulate robust **risk mitigation strategies** for international operations.
- Understand the impact of **political instability** and **civil unrest** on logistics and sourcing.
- Evaluate the ethical and **reputational risks** within complex supply chains.
- Navigate the complexities of **cross-border trade** and **customs compliance**.
- Leverage **diversification strategies** to reduce geopolitical dependency.
- Implement technologies for **supply chain visibility** and risk monitoring.
- Analyze the role of **government policy** and **international relations** in shaping supply chains.
- Enhance decision-making in the face of **supply chain disruptions**.
- Build a **political risk management** framework for long-term organizational security.
- Foster a proactive and **adaptive corporate culture** to manage political uncertainty.

Target Audience

- Supply Chain Managers and Directors
- Procurement and Sourcing Professionals
- Risk Managers and Compliance Officers
- Logistics and Operations Managers
- Senior Executives (CFOs, COOs) involved in global strategy
- Analysts and Consultants specializing in international business
- Government Relations and Public Policy Professionals
- Project Managers overseeing international projects

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Module 1: The Geopolitical Landscape of Global Supply Chains

- Defining the Nexus: Explore how politics, economics, and geography intersect to shape global supply chains.
- Key Geopolitical Drivers: Analyze the impact of nationalism, protectionism, and international conflicts on trade.
- Case Study: The US-China Trade War and its ripple effects on technology and manufacturing supply chains.

- Understanding the Players.
- The Political-Economic Framework.

Module 2: Identifying & Analyzing Political Risks

- Risk Classification.
- Quantitative and Qualitative Analysis.
- Case Study: The impact of Brexit on UK and EU supply chains, including customs delays and regulatory divergence.
- Early Warning Systems.
- Scenario Planning: Develop "what-if" scenarios to model potential disruptions.

Module 3: Strategic Risk Mitigation & Resilience

- Developing a Response Plan.
- Diversification Strategies.
- Case Study: How companies like Apple and Samsung diversified their manufacturing away from a single country to mitigate geopolitical risks.
- Contractual Protections.
- Building Agility: Foster a flexible supply chain capable of adapting to rapid change.

Module 4: Navigating Trade Policy & Regulatory Compliance

- Trade Agreements & Tariffs.
- Sanctions and Embargoes.
- Case Study: The effects of sanctions on Russia's energy sector and the subsequent global supply chain reconfigurations.
- Customs and Border Management.
- Ethical Compliance.

Module 5: Logistics & Security in Volatile Environments

- Securing the Flow of Goods.
- Infrastructure Risk.
- Case Study: The disruption of shipping routes due to conflict in the Red Sea and its effect on global logistics and shipping costs.
- Business Continuity Planning.
- Third-Party Risk Management

Module 6: Technology and Data for Political Risk Management

- Leveraging Data Analytics.
- Blockchain and Traceability.
- Case Study: The use of predictive analytics platforms to track political protests in real-time and reroute shipments.
- Digital Twins.
- Cybersecurity Threats.

Module 7: Stakeholder Engagement and Reputation Management

- Engaging with Governments.
- Public Perception.

- Case Study: The reputational fallout for brands linked to forced labor or environmental misconduct in certain countries.
- Crisis Communications.
- Building Local Alliances.

Module 8: The Future of Global Supply Chains

- Deglobalization vs. Regionalization.
- Sustainability and ESG.
- Case Study: How the drive for sustainable and ethical sourcing is reshaping supply chain strategies in the fashion industry.
- Preparing for the New Normal.
- The Resilient Enterprise.

Training Methodology

This course uses a highly interactive and practical methodology to ensure a deep and lasting understanding. Sessions will be conducted through a blend of:

- **Instructor-led discussions:** Expert-led sessions to introduce key concepts and frameworks.
- **Interactive workshops:** Hands-on activities and group exercises to apply learned principles.
- **Real-world case studies:** Analysis of past and present geopolitical events to understand their supply chain impact.
- **Group simulations:** Role-playing exercises to practice decision-making in a crisis.
- **Guest speaker sessions:** Insights from industry experts and practitioners.
- **Resource materials:** Access to digital tools, templates, and reading materials for future reference.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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