

# Training Course on Navigating Labor Relations and Industrial Harmony

## Professional Development Training Course Outline

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| Category | CEOs and Directors | Duration      | 5 Days                  |
| Base Fee | \$1,500 USD        | Delivery Mode | Online / On-site Hybrid |

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### Course Objectives

1. Master **modern labor laws** and **regulatory compliance** in a rapidly evolving legislative environment.
2. Develop expert **collective bargaining** and **negotiation strategies** for win-win outcomes.
3. Implement effective **dispute resolution** and **conflict management** techniques, including mediation and arbitration.
4. Cultivate a culture of **employee engagement** and **workplace well-being** to enhance morale and productivity.
5. Understand the impact of **digital transformation** and **AI in HR** on labor relations.
6. Strategize for successful **change management** during organizational restructuring and technological adoption.
7. Enhance **communication strategies** for transparent and trust-building interactions between management and employees.
8. Identify and mitigate risks associated with **unfair labor practices** and **grievance procedures**.
9. Develop robust frameworks for promoting **diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI)** in labor relations.
10. Explore the nuances of **global labor standards** and their impact on multinational operations.
11. Build strong, collaborative **union-management relationships** through effective social dialogue.
12. Analyze and adapt to emerging **workforce demographics** and evolving employee expectations.
13. Design and implement proactive **industrial harmony** initiatives for long-term organizational stability.

### Organizational Benefits

- Proactive conflict resolution and effective negotiation minimize costly disruptions.
- A harmonious environment fosters motivated and engaged employees, leading to higher output.
- Valued employees are more likely to remain with the organization, reducing recruitment and training costs.
- A positive labor relations record attracts top talent and enhances public perception.
- Deep understanding of labor laws prevents legal penalties and reputational damage.

- Effective communication and collaboration facilitate successful implementation of organizational changes.
- Adaptability to evolving labor market trends and workforce dynamics.
- A trusting environment encourages open communication and problem-solving.
- Reduced legal fees, lower turnover, and increased efficiency contribute to a healthier bottom line.

## **Target Audience**

1. HR Professionals
2. Line Managers & Supervisors
3. Union Representatives & Shop Stewards
4. Legal Professionals.
5. Business Owners & Entrepreneurs
6. Employee Relations Specialists
7. Organizational Development Practitioners
8. Anyone aspiring to a leadership role

## **Course Outline**

### **Module 1: Foundations of Labor Relations and Industrial Harmony**

- Understanding the historical context and evolution of labor relations.
- Key concepts: Employee Relations vs. Industrial Relations.
- The role of social partners: Government, employers, and trade unions.
- Principles of industrial harmony and its impact on organizational performance.
- Analyzing global trends shaping the modern labor landscape.
- **Case Study:** The impact of a major technological disruption (e.g., automation in manufacturing) on traditional labor relations and how a proactive company navigated retraining and union dialogue.

### **Module 2: Navigating Labor Laws and Regulatory Compliance**

- Overview of national and international labor legislation
- Understanding employment contracts, terms, and conditions.
- Key aspects of fair dismissal, disciplinary procedures, and grievances.
- Compliance with minimum wage, working hours, and health & safety regulations.
- Preventing and addressing unfair labor practices.
- **Case Study:** A company facing legal challenges due to misclassification of gig workers and how they revised their policies to ensure compliance.

### **Module 3: Collective Bargaining and Negotiation Strategies**

- The collective bargaining process: stages, principles, and best practices.
- Preparation for negotiations: data analysis, goal setting, and team formation.
- Effective negotiation techniques: distributive vs. integrative bargaining.
- Drafting and interpreting Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs).
- Post-negotiation implementation and monitoring.
- **Case Study:** A successful collective bargaining negotiation between a large public sector union and a government agency, highlighting key negotiation tactics and compromises.

### **Module 4: Conflict Resolution and Dispute Management**

- Understanding the sources and types of workplace conflicts.
- Stages of conflict and early intervention strategies.
- Techniques for effective mediation and conciliation.
- Arbitration processes and the role of arbitrators.
- Building internal conflict resolution mechanisms
- **Case Study:** An organization successfully resolving a major internal dispute through structured mediation, preventing escalation to industrial action.

### **Module 5: Employee Engagement and Workforce Well-being**

- Strategies for fostering a high-trust, high-performance workplace culture.
- The link between employee engagement, motivation, and productivity.
- Implementing effective feedback mechanisms and employee voice initiatives.
- Addressing mental health and well-being in the workplace.
- Promoting work-life balance and flexible work arrangements.
- **Case Study:** A tech company's innovative employee well-being program that significantly reduced burnout and improved retention rates.

### **Module 6: Managing Change and Digital Transformation in Labor Relations**

- Leading employees through organizational change and restructuring.
- The impact of automation, AI, and new technologies on job roles and skills.
- Strategies for upskilling and reskilling the workforce.
- Addressing concerns related to job displacement and job security.
- Ensuring fair and ethical implementation of new technologies.
- **Case Study:** A manufacturing plant successfully integrating robotics while retraining its workforce and negotiating new roles with the union, avoiding significant job losses.

### **Module 7: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (DEI) and Social Dialogue**

- Integrating DEI principles into labor relations policies and practices.
- Addressing discrimination, harassment, and unconscious bias in the workplace.
- The importance of inclusive communication and cultural sensitivity.
- Fostering effective social dialogue between all stakeholders.
- Building a workplace that embraces different perspectives and backgrounds.
- **Case Study:** A multinational corporation implementing a successful global DEI strategy that enhanced cross-cultural collaboration and reduced workplace complaints.

### **Module 8: Strategic Industrial Relations and Future Trends**

- Developing a proactive industrial relations strategy aligned with business objectives.
- Measuring the effectiveness of labor relations initiatives.
- Anticipating future challenges and opportunities in the labor market.
- The rise of the gig economy, remote work, and new employment models.
- Ethical considerations and corporate social responsibility in labor relations.
- **Case Study:** A forward-thinking organization proactively adapting its labor relations framework to accommodate a significant shift to remote work post-pandemic, maintaining high levels of employee satisfaction and productivity.

### **Training Methodology**

This training course will employ a highly interactive and practical methodology designed for maximum engagement and knowledge retention. It will include:

- **Expert-Led Lectures & Presentations:** Concise delivery of core concepts and theoretical frameworks.
- **Interactive Discussions & Q&A Sessions:** Encouraging participants to share experiences and insights.
- **Real-World Case Studies Analysis:** In-depth examination of practical scenarios and best practices.
- **Role-Playing & Simulations:** Hands-on practice of negotiation, mediation, and conflict resolution skills.
- **Group Exercises & Collaborative Problem-Solving:** Applying learned concepts to practical challenges.
- **Experiential Learning Activities:** Engaging activities to reinforce understanding and skill development.
- **Practical Tools & Templates:** Providing actionable resources for immediate application in the workplace.
- **Post-Training Resources & Follow-up:** Access to materials and support for continued learning.

**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**

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| 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     |
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