

Training Course on Project Procurement

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be able to:

1. Master the end-to-end **project procurement lifecycle** and its integration with project management.
2. Develop comprehensive **procurement management plans** aligned with project objectives and **strategic sourcing** goals.
3. Craft precise Statements of Work (SOWs), specifications, and terms of reference using **requirements engineering** principles.
4. Implement effective **vendor identification**, pre-qualification, and **market analysis** techniques.
5. Manage various **solicitation methods** (RFP, RFQ, RFI) efficiently for competitive bidding.
6. Conduct objective and thorough **bid evaluation** and **source selection** processes.
7. Apply advanced **negotiation strategies** and tactics to secure optimal contract terms and pricing (**value engineering**).
8. Analyze and select appropriate **contract types** (Fixed-Price, Cost-Reimbursable, T&M) based on project context.
9. Execute robust **contract administration** processes, including change control and performance monitoring.
10. Implement effective **Supplier Relationship Management (SRM)** frameworks to foster collaboration and performance.
11. Identify, assess, and **mitigate procurement risks** throughout the project lifecycle.
12. Uphold the highest **ethical standards** and ensure **compliance** in all procurement activities.
13. Leverage insights from **digital procurement** tools and understand trends like **sustainable** and **agile procurement**.

Organizational Benefits

- **Reduced Costs:** Improved negotiation, better sourcing, and prevention of scope creep.
- **Mitigated Risks:** Proactive identification and management of supplier, contract, and market risks.
- **Enhanced Supplier Performance:** Clear expectations, effective monitoring, and stronger relationships.

- **Improved Compliance:** Adherence to legal, ethical, and organizational procurement policies.
- **Faster Project Delivery:** Efficient procurement processes reduce delays in acquiring necessary goods/services.
- **Increased Value:** Focus on total cost of ownership and strategic value beyond lowest price.
- **Better Project Outcomes:** Aligning procurement activities directly with project goals and quality standards.
- **Stronger Negotiation Positions:** Equipping staff with proven techniques and strategies.

Target Participants

1. Project Managers & Program Managers
2. Procurement Officers, Specialists, & Managers
3. Contract Administrators & Managers
4. Supply Chain & Logistics Professionals
5. Project Team Members involved in sourcing/vendor interaction
6. Finance & Cost Control Managers overseeing project budgets
7. Technical Leads & Engineers defining specifications
8. Operations Managers relying on project deliverables

Course Outline

Module 1: Foundations of Strategic Project Procurement

- Defining Project Procurement Management vs. Operational Procurement
- The Critical Role of Procurement in the **Project Management Lifecycle** (PMBOK® alignment)
- Understanding Key Terminology: Buyer, Seller, Contract, SOW
- Procurement Ethics, **Compliance**, and Professional Responsibility
- Centralized vs. Decentralized Procurement Structures

Module 2: Procurement Planning & Strategy Development

- Make-or-Buy Analysis and **Outsourcing Decisions**
- Developing the **Procurement Management Plan**
- Identifying Project Needs & Requirements Gathering
- **Market Research** and Preliminary Vendor Assessment
- Integrating **Risk Management** into Procurement Planning

Module 3: Crafting Effective Procurement Documentation

- Writing Clear and Concise Statements of Work (SOWs)
- Developing Technical Specifications and Performance Requirements
- Understanding Different **Solicitation Documents**: RFP, RFQ, RFI
- Defining Evaluation Criteria and Weighting Systems
- Establishing Contract Terms & Conditions Preliminaries

Module 4: Sourcing, Solicitation & Vendor Management

- **Strategic Sourcing** Methodologies
- Identifying and Qualifying Potential Suppliers (**Vendor Screening**)
- Conducting Bidder Conferences and Managing Q&A
- Advertising Opportunities and Managing Solicitation Responses

- Building and Maintaining a Qualified **Supplier Database**

Module 5: Bid Evaluation, Selection & Negotiation

- Establishing the Source Selection Evaluation Board (SSEB)
- Applying Evaluation Criteria: Technical & Commercial Scoring
- Techniques for Analyzing Proposals and Bids (**Bid Comparison**)
- Planning and Conducting Effective **Contract Negotiations**
- Understanding BATNA (Best Alternative To a Negotiated Agreement)

Module 6: Contract Award & Administration Essentials

- Understanding Key **Contract Types** (Fixed Price, Cost Plus, T&M)
- Finalizing and Awarding the Contract Document
- Kick-off Meetings and Establishing Communication Protocols
- Monitoring **Contract Compliance** and Deliverables
- Managing Contract Changes (**Change Control Process**)

Module 7: Managing Supplier Performance & Relationships (SRM)

- Establishing Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for Suppliers
- Techniques for Monitoring and Measuring **Supplier Performance**
- Addressing Performance Issues and Contract Disputes
- Building Collaborative **Supplier Relationships**
- Conducting Supplier Performance Reviews

Module 8: Contract Closeout, Risk & Modern Trends

- Formal Contract Acceptance and Final Payments
- Procurement Audits and Lessons Learned Documentation
- Managing **Procurement Records** and Archiving
- Emerging Trends: **eProcurement, Sustainable Sourcing, Agile Procurement**
- Advanced **Risk Mitigation** Strategies in Procurement

Training Methodology

This course utilizes a blended learning approach combining:

- Interactive Instructor-Led Presentations
- Real-World Case Studies & Analysis
- Group Discussions and Collaborative Exercises
- Role-Playing (especially for Negotiation scenarios)
- Practical Application using Templates & Checklists
- Q&A and Experience Sharing Sessions

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Certification

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

Tailor-Made Course

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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.

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