

Project Management Essentials

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— Workshop Overview

This Project Management Essentials training course is designed to enhance your project management skills by focusing on effective management and leadership techniques. You will learn how to identify risks, solve problems, delegate tasks, and communicate effectively. The training course also emphasizes controlling your team and work environment while fostering a culture of improved safety. Essential for all project managers, this Project Management Essentials training course will help you and your team develop the necessary skills to manage projects successfully and create a positive, secure working environment.

Why Attend

This training course will utilise a variety of proven adult learning techniques to ensure maximum understanding, comprehension and retention of the information presented. The course is highly interactive and is designed with briefings and a central project scenario as the driver for all course learning. Students will complete several elements

Who Should Attend

Those Who are Actually or Potentially Involved in Projects
Business Professionals Who Currently Work on Projects or Are Occasionally Assigned to Work as Project Team Members in Any Business Work Areas
Those Who Directly Contribute to Projects. It is

— Learning Objectives

- Understand the Fundamentals of Project Management Including the Ability to Initiate, Plan and Execute Basic Controls for a Project
- Understand the Techniques of Project Planning and How to Deliver One
- Understand How to Define Project Success Using Key Performance Indicators and Establishing Quality Metrics
- Identifying Risks and Understanding the Advantages of Various Types of Contracts
- Understand How to Control, Manage and Close a Project to Your Customers Satisfaction

— Course Outline

DAY 1

Day One: Project Management Basics, History, Benefits and Components

- Understanding what project management is
- Defining project and product life cycles
- Understanding Best Practice Project Management
- How to Initiate a Project: How to do it
- Managing the project selection process
- Writing SMART objectives and business cases
- Practical Exercise: Creating SMART objectives
- Project Exercise: Project Selection exercises

DAY 2

Day Two: Project Planning, Charters, Work Breakdown Structures and Scope Statements

- Developing the project documentation for senior management sign-offs
- Defining the project management
- Understand how to collect requirements
- Defining the full project scope
- Creating and analysing the project with Work Breakdown Structures
- Practical Exercise: Writing the Project Charter
- Practical Exercise: Gathering Requirements
- Practical Exercise: Creating the Work Breakdown Structure
- Practical Exercise: Writing the Scope Statement

DAY 3

Day Three: Creating and Managing the Project Schedule and Budget

- Understanding what a realistic schedule is
- Defining and managing dependencies
- How to estimate project durations and costs
- Creating and optimising the project schedule
- Presenting your schedule and resource constraints
- How to control the cost, schedule and resources
- Practical Exercise: Network diagramming practice
- Practical Exercise: Create, sequence activities and determine duration estimations
- Practical Exercise: Complete analogous, parametric and three-point estimating

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Day Four: Planning for Quality, HR, Communications, Risk and Procurement

- Defining and controlling project KPI's / Metrics
- Presenting and defining the project resource plan
- Developing a communication plan
- Managing Virtual Teams
- Understanding and reviewing project risk
- Managing the project contract against project constraints
- Practical Exercise: Create quality project metrics
- Practical Exercise: Conduct a project meeting
- Practical Exercise: Risk Management project exercise

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Day Five: Working, Controlling and Closing the Project

- Using project software to track projects
- Dealing with project management problems
- Project case reviews and discussion
- Project Management leadership, communications and meetings best practices
- Closing the project including project administration, hand-offs, document updates, and lessons learned
- Lessons learned, why, when and what
- Practical Exercise: Create end course lessons learned

— Upcoming Classroom Dates

DATE	LOCATION	FEE
5 - 9 October 2026	Paris - France	€2,250
16 - 20 November 2026	Frankfurt - Germany	€1,625
7 - 11 December 2026	Barcelona - Spain	€1,925
11 - 15 January 2027	Geneva - Switzerland	€2,625
8 - 12 February 2027	Istanbul - Türkiye	€1,425
8 - 12 March 2027	Cape Town - South Africa	€2,125
12 - 16 April 2027	Barcelona - Spain	€1,925
10 - 14 May 2027	Paris - France	€2,250

— Certificate and Registration

Participants who attend and complete the full programme receive a SPARK Training Certificate of Completion. For registration, in-house delivery, or availability questions, contact info@sparktraining.eu or +31 85 115 0004.