



Audit, Risk and Governance

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Course Introduction

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This advanced training program is designed to enhance the competencies of professionals involved in auditing and report writing, providing them with the tools and techniques necessary to produce clear, concise, and impactful audit reports.

Participants will explore best practices in planning, conducting, and documenting audits, with a strong emphasis on structuring reports that are both technically sound and accessible to non-specialist stakeholders. The course integrates international standards, real-world case studies, and interactive exercises to build confidence in analytical writing and stakeholder communication.

By combining technical audit principles with high-impact writing strategies, this course ensures that participants are equipped to deliver audit findings that support effective decision-making, risk mitigation, and continuous improvement across their organizations.

Target Audience

- Internal and external auditors
- Compliance and risk officers
- Financial controllers and accountants
- Government audit officials
- Quality assurance and internal control specialists
- Senior professionals in charge of governance, oversight, or regulatory reporting

Learning Objectives

- Apply international auditing standards and frameworks in real-world scenarios
- Analyze findings and translate complex data into clear, actionable reports
- Structure and draft audit reports that are objective, well-evidenced, and user-focused
- Enhance communication with internal and external stakeholders through persuasive and professional writing
- Identify and address common pitfalls in audit reporting to improve clarity and effectiveness

Course Outline

• Day 01

Foundations of Advanced Auditing

- Overview of audit frameworks and international standards (IIA, ISO, etc.)
- Principles of audit ethics, objectivity, and independence
- Risk-based audit planning and scoping techniques
- Types of audits (compliance, performance, financial, operational)
- Common challenges in audit execution and reporting

• Day 02

Data Collection, Analysis & Audit Fieldwork

- Gathering audit evidence: interviews, observations, documentation
- Tools and techniques for data validation and triangulation
- Root cause analysis and control gap identification
- Risk prioritization and rating audit findings
- Working papers: structuring and documenting audit evidence

• Day 03

Structuring Effective Audit Reports

- Key components of a high-impact audit report

- Writing with clarity, accuracy, and objectivity
- Framing findings: criteria, condition, cause, effect, and recommendation (5Cs model)
- Tailoring reports for different audiences (senior management, audit committee, regulators)
- Avoiding common report writing pitfalls

• Day 04

Enhancing Communication and Influence

- Strategies for communicating sensitive or complex findings
- Visual storytelling and data presentation in audit reports (charts, tables, dashboards)
- Executive summaries that drive action
- Engaging report readers through tone, formatting, and messaging
- Handling feedback and managing stakeholder expectations

• Day 05

Practical Application and Report Critique

- Review and critique of real or simulated audit reports
- Group exercise: Drafting and peer-reviewing audit findings
- Creating a personal checklist for effective audit writing
- Building a continuous improvement mindset for audit teams
- Final Q&A and wrap-up with personalized feedback

Confirmed Sessions

FROM	TO	DURATION	FEES	LOCATION
April 28, 2025	May 2, 2025	5 days	4250.00 \$	UAE - Dubai
Aug. 18, 2025	Aug. 22, 2025	5 days	4950.00 \$	Spain - Barcelona

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Nov. 23, 2025	Nov. 27, 2025	5 days	4250.00 \$	KSA - Jeddah