

Project Management for Development Professionals

Description

The development sector is built on a simple reality: delivering projects that transform lives. International organizations and NGOs must rely on solid methods to ensure the success of their initiatives. Project management therefore becomes an essential skill. This course provides a structured approach tailored to the context of development projects, while remaining closely aligned with the needs of field teams. Participants will discover best practices and recognized methods to plan, monitor, and evaluate their projects effectively.

A training designed for development professionals

In a complex environment, every decision matters. Project managers, as well as team members, must know how to coordinate tasks, manage resources, and anticipate risks. Through this training, they acquire practical tools that can be applied immediately. The content is designed to address the specific realities of humanitarian, social, and international development projects. It is not just about learning theory, but about strengthening the ability to successfully deliver concrete projects, often under demanding conditions.

This course is also available in a Blended Learning format over 4 weeks.

The Blended Learning format allows your staff to learn at their own pace. They will study an average of 4 to 5 hours per week via e-learning for 4 weeks, including 4 webinars with dates to be scheduled.

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Course Content

Module 1: Projects in the development sector

- High-level overview of projects in the development sector
- Perspectives and definitions

Module 2: Phases of a development project life cycle

- Understand the importance of balanced management throughout the cycle
- Explore the six key phases of a project

Module 3: Project management disciplines

- Analyze the six discipline areas of project managers

Module 4: Adapting PMD Pro

- Recognize the uniqueness of development organizations and their projects
- Apply best practices to adapt PMD Pro
- Use project management approaches in their specific context

Module 5: Exam preparation

- Review key concepts and prepare for certification

Lab / Exercises

- This course includes hands-on exercises designed to reinforce your knowledge and apply your skills in real-world professional scenarios.

Documentation

- PMD Pro Guide (A best practice guide and certification that provides project managers with the skills needed to deliver effective, transparent results to donors and communities)

Exam

- This course prepares to the exam Project DPro (PMD Pro) Foundation / Level 1. If you wish to take this exam, please contact our secretariat who will let you know the cost of the exam and will take care of all the necessary administrative procedures for you.

Participant profiles

- Project managers in the development sector
- Team members involved in project implementation
- Professionals aiming to advance into project management
- Students or recent graduates pursuing a career in development

Prerequisites

- No prerequisites

Objectives

- Understand the specificities of projects in the development sector
- Apply the key phases of a project life cycle
- Master the essential disciplines of project management
- Adapt PMD Pro methods to the organizational context
- Use practical tools to plan and monitor projects
- Prepare effectively for professional certification

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Project Management for Development Professionals Training

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Fondamental

Classroom Registration Price (CHF)

3750

Virtual Classroom Registration Price (CHF)

3750

Duration (in Days)

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Reference

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