



# Training Course: Managing the Cash Cycle: Accounts Receivable & Payable Best Practices

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#### Introduction

This 10-day program will provide a leading-edge forum for you to significantly improve your working capital management skills. You will gain a comprehensive range of very practical and highly effective tools and approaches that can be immediately implemented upon your return to work.

By attending this event, delegates will understand:

- The importance of credit to the company and the economy
- The <code>©cost</code> of credit<code>©</code> and its impact on company profitability
- Practical steps that reduce bad debt losses and <code>[uncollectible]</code> debtors
- How to use different tools and techniques to maximize cash collection effort
- · How to effectively manage cash and working capital to reduce costs and improve cash flow
- How leading companies from across the globe are achieving best practice in Accounts Receivable
- The importance of the accounts payable function with regard to its links with the supply chain and cash flow
- The integrated systems of purchase order processing, stock inventory control, purchase ledger and cash payments and their links with the general ledger
- · How to effectively manage cash and working capital to reduce costs and improve cash flow
- The impact of risk and uncertainty on the business and its impact on accounts payable and cash flow
- · How leading companies from across the globe are achieving best practice in Accounts Payable

#### Who Should Attend?

This program provides a user-friendly environment to develop the knowledge and techniques related to both accounts receivable and accounts payable that are valuable for:

- Finance Executives
- Accountants
- Others who are working within Transactional Finance, Accounts Payable or Accounts Receivable process or who wish to develop a practical toolkit to complement their existing professional or technical skills

This program is also ideal for those wishing to develop their understanding of how Working Capital efficiencies can make a significant improvement to profitability or you may already be employed in any of these functions within the business.

# Course Objectives of Managing the Cash Cycle

- Work effectively with the fundamentals of accounts payable, accounts receivable, financial accounting and the supply chain
- Understand and apply the fundamentals of effective transactional management systems
- Review and comment on payment methods and cash management
- Understand the need to incorporate risk and uncertainty into transactional processing and cash flow management



· Identify best practice across all industries by examining case studies from across the globe

### Course Methodology of Managing the Cash Cycle

The instructor engages all of the delegates, both in the presentation of the material and the program sessions, so that everyone leaves with a working knowledge of the material and the ability to use them immediately.

## Course Outline of Managing the Cash Cycle

#### DAY 1 - An introduction to Accounts Receivable

- · Working Capital and Cash Management
- Understanding Ithe cost of creditI
- The <code>@order</code> to cash<code>@</code> process
- Understanding IriskI in IcreditI
- · Accounts Receivable and effective customer service
- Identifying underperforming areas to increase customer satisfaction

#### DAY 2 - Customers and trading terms

- · Terms of trading
- Tools and techniques of financial analysis: ratios; trends; common size analysis
- The best performance measure cash or profit?
- Financial distress and the Altman Is Z score-type analyses
- Trend analysis
- · Value-added analysis of a financial statement

#### DAY 3 - Developing effective strategies to maximize cash collection

- Identifying effective [pre-delinquency] collection campaigns
- Defining post-delinquency activities
- · Customer sensitive collection strategies
- · Collection techniques and letter cycles
- Appropriate internal and external escalation steps



Using workflow management to maximize collector performance

#### DAY 4 - Practical collection tools and techniques

- Eliminating barriers to payment
- Recognizing excuses and delaying tactics
- · Providing solutions to non-payment
- Telephone collection techniques
- Negotiation skills for successful collections
- Building relationships with customers

#### DAY 5 - Managing the Receivables Ledger

- Developing effective internal relationships to maximize performance
- Setting targets and tracking performance
- Managing information that dazzles
- Defining meaningful KPIIs
- Latest Developments in Accounts Receivable

#### DAY 6 - Accounts Payable, Financial Accounting and the Supply Chain

- · Accounting and financial information: Accounts Payable in context
- Sources of finance
- The supply chain
- Financial position and financial performance
- Cash flow and Working Capital
- Why is cash flow so important?

#### DAY 7 - Achieving World Class in Accounts Payable Processes

- Defining Best Practice in AP
- Moving beyond P2P



- Managing Risk
- · Principles of Best Practice
- End to End AP Process
- Defining the issues in Accounts Payable

#### DAY 8 - Improving Invoice Processing and Operational Management

- Invoice Handling and Approval Processes
- Verifying invoice data
- Paying Ilow value Iitems
- How to avoid duplicate payments
- · Making the best use of staff time: limiting telephone calls to AP
- Does Petty cash management belong in Accounts Payable?

#### DAY 9 - Harnessing Technology in Accounts Payable Processes

- Master Vendor File Management getting it right from the start
- Travel & Entertainment
- · Policy management
- · Cash advances and employee reimbursement
- Process improvement through imaging and workflow
- Using the internet for AP effectiveness

#### DAY 10 - Making the Payments and Maintaining the Relationships

- Communications & Customer Relations
- Payments status information for vendors and internal customers
- Improving Procure to PayP2PCycle
- Payments and Payment Solutions: Accounts Payable or Treasury?

The program will conclude with an interactive case study exercise to allow participants an opportunity to apply the learning of the week and define a practical solution.





# Registration form on the Training Course: Managing the Cash Cycle: Accounts Receivable & Payable Best **Practices**

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