



*Conference:
Corporate Financial Planning, Budgeting &
Control*

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Introduction

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The module follows the growth of a company from the development of a strategic corporate financial plan, the raising of finance, the preparation and management of budgets to support the plan, the management of financial risk and ultimately the measurement and evaluation of performance.

Major highlights of the course include its:

- Practical nature which will ensure development of transferable skills as well as the knowledge and understanding
- Relevance in today's marketplace with focus on major financial issues
- An international outlook, enabling company's/delegates to compete on a global scale and meet international standards
- Breadth and depth of coverage, making the course suitable for both finance and non-finance personnel
- Supporting material. Delegates will receive a detailed set of handouts, reading, case studies and examples in both hard and soft format which will enable them to review/use the topics covered at a later date.

Conference Objectives of Corporate Financial Planning

This seminar will enable delegates to:

- Develop effective corporate financial plans aimed at maximizing return and minimizing risk
- Evaluate the various methods of finance and make successful capital investment decisions
- Prepare, manage and control budgets to support the corporate financial plans
- Identify and manage financial risk effectively
- Measure and manage performance effectively
- Create opportunities for your personal development and increased financial awareness

Conference Methodology of Corporate Financial Planning

This conference is based on a practical case study requiring delegates to develop and manage a strategic corporate financial plan. As a result, it is highly participative with extensive use of practical examples, case studies, exercises, and discussion sessions to ensure the development of transferable skills as well as knowledge and understanding. It will enable delegates to make and justify finance decisions, prepare and manage budgets, minimize risk, and evaluate performance. In addition, delegates will receive a detailed set of material in both hard and soft format enabling them to review/use the topics covered at a later date.

Organizational Impact of Corporate Financial Planning

- Delegates will develop a set of transferable skills which will improve their powers of financial planning

- helping the company to increase profit, improve cash flow whilst minimizing costs and risk
- The new skills will help them to make more informed and hence better management decisions.
- Delegates will not only be able to analyze various business problems but will also be able to evaluate various courses of action and make sound recommendations for action using leading software
- They will become more aware of the importance of effective planning, budgeting and forecasting making the capital budgeting process more cost-effective
- The use of practical case studies and illustrations of real companies will help delegates understand how to apply different planning, forecasting, and analysis techniques in a work situation.
- The knowledge gained can be shared amongst other departments of the company to improve the financial culture of the entire organization.

Personal Impact of Corporate Financial Planning

You will:

- Develop an understanding of today's major issues in international corporate finance and budgeting
- Develop your professional skills, powers of analysis, evaluation, and decision-making.
- Be able to make more informed and hence better planning, budgeting, and forecasting decisions using various models and software.
- Make improved finance and capital budgeting decisions, which will increase your importance to your organization.
- Be better placed to liaise effectively with other departments on matters of finance and budgeting
- Be able to identify areas in which they may be able to contribute to improvements in the financial performance of your company which will help improve your career development.

Who Should Attend?

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- Managers and those with financial responsibilities
- Financial decision-makers, whose techniques of decision making and analysis will be improved through attendance
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Conference Outlines of Corporate Financial Planning

Day 1: Corporate Financial Planning

- Strategic Planning
- The Objective of the Firm - meeting Shareholder & Stakeholder Objectives
- Agency Theory - the relationship between Shareholders & Management
- Creative Accounting and the Case of Enron
- Preparing a Strategic Plan
- Financial Management & Financial Planning - the Scope, Role & Responsibilities of Financial Management
- Preparing a Financial Plan - The Master Budget
- Forecasting Future Cash-flows
 - Time Series Analysis
 - Correlation & Regression
- Financial Modelling

Day 2: Financing the Plan

- Sources of Finance - Long Term & Short Term
- Evaluation of the Types of Finance
 - Equity Finance
 - Debt Finance
 - Hybrid Finance & Financial Engineering
- The Dividend Decision
- The Cost of Capital
- Weighted Average Cost of Capital WACC
- Capital Asset Pricing Model CAPM
- The Capital Investment Process
- Payback
- Accounting Rate of Return ARR
- Net Present Value NPV
- Internal Rate of Return IRR
- Capital Investment Appraisal
- Capital Rationing

Day 3: Preparing & Managing Budgets to support the Financial Plans

- Definition of Budgets
- The Budgetary Process
- Types of Budgets
 - Fixed
 - Flexible
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 - Zero Based
 - Activity-Based Budgets
- The Purpose/Benefits & Problems/Limitations of Budgets
- Setting/Implementing Effective Budgets - Eliminating the Problems
- Budgetary Control
- Responsibility Accounting and Absorption Costing
- Activity-Based Budgeting/Costing ABB, ABC
- Variance Analysis
- Cost Behaviour & Break-Even Analysis
- Sensitivity/What-If Analysis
- What-If Analysis combined with Du-Pont Analysis

Day 4: Managing and Controlling Cashflow to support the Financial Plan

- Cash versus Profit
- The Cash Conversion Cycle
- Calculating and Managing the Cashflow Cycle
- Cash Flow Ratios
- Working Capital
- The Cost of Maintaining Working Capital
- Maintaining the Optimum level of Working Capital
- Working Investment Ratios
- Preparing a Monthly Cash Flow Forecast

Day 5: Managing Financial Risk

- Risk Management
- Types of Risk
- Identifying Risk - SWOT Analysis
- The Major Quantitative & Qualitative Risks Facing Companies
- Establishing a Risk Management Strategy
- Financial Risk Management & Hedging Techniques
- Financial Risks
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- Derivatives
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