

LEAN LEADERSHIP FOR SUPPLY CHAIN PROFESSIONALS

“Driving Efficiency, Agility, and Team Empowerment Across the End-to-End Supply Chain”

Schedule

Date	Venue	Fees (Face-to-Face)
06 - 07 May 2026	Doha, Qatar	USD 1995 per delegate
24 - 25 Sep 2026	Dubai, UAE	USD 1995 per delegate

► **Available delivery methods:** Face-to-Face & Online Training

Introduction

As supply chains become more complex and globally integrated, leadership must evolve to foster agility, eliminate waste, and empower cross-functional teams. Lean Leadership offers a framework for continuous improvement, driving operational excellence across procurement, production, logistics, and distribution functions.

This two-day course equips supply chain professionals with lean thinking, leadership principles, and practical tools to lead transformational change. Participants will learn how to eliminate inefficiencies, build a culture of accountability, and sustain lean performance in fast-paced supply chain environments.

Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Understand the principles of Lean thinking as applied to supply chain operations.
- Identify and eliminate non-value-added activities across the supply chain.
- Apply leadership practices that support Lean culture and employee engagement.
- Use visual management, Gemba walks, and huddle boards to improve performance.
- Lead cross-functional continuous improvement initiatives with measurable impact.
- Align Lean practices with business goals and supply chain metrics.

Why Attend

Develop leadership skills that complement Lean and Six Sigma methods.

- Increase responsiveness and customer value in supply chain operations.
- Enhance communication and problem-solving across departments.
- Gain practical tools to coach, motivate, and lead Lean teams.
- Build credibility as a leader in transformation and operational excellence.

Target Audience

This program is designed for:

- Supply chain managers and supervisors
- Procurement and logistics professionals
- Warehouse and operations team leads
- Continuous improvement officers and Lean practitioners
- Professionals involved in supply chain transformation initiatives

Individual Benefits

Key competencies that will be developed include:

- Lean supply chain leadership mindset
- Waste identification and process streamlining
- Problem-solving and coaching techniques
- Team communication and performance monitoring
- Leadership in daily operational management

Organizational Benefits

Upon completing the training course, participants will demonstrate:

- Reduced waste, improved cycle times, and cost savings
- Stronger engagement and performance from supply chain teams
- Aligned process improvement initiatives with business goals
- Improved cross-functional collaboration and responsiveness
- Sustainable Lean practices driven by leadership, not just tools

Instructional Methodology

This course blends leadership development with hands-on Lean applications:

- Briefings - Lean principles, leadership models, and real-life applications
- Tools - A3 thinking, value stream mapping, KPI scoreboards
- Case Studies - Lean transformation in procurement, warehousing, logistics
- Exercises - Gemba-based root cause analysis, team engagement strategies
- Group Simulation - Leadership response to process breakdowns
- Instructor Coaching - Feedback on improvement planning and team alignment

Course Outline

Training Hours: 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Daily Format : 3-4 Modules | Coffee breaks: 09:30 & 11:15 | Lunch Buffet: 01:00 - 02:00

Day 1: Lean Thinking and the Role of Leadership in Supply Chain

• **Module 1: Foundations of Lean Thinking (07:30 - 09:30)**

- The 5 Lean principles and 8 wastes in supply chain
- Value-added vs. non-value-added analysis
- Flow, pull, and continuous improvement

• **Module 2: Lean in the Supply Chain Context (09:45 - 11:15)**

- Procurement, inventory, warehousing, and logistics
- Examples of Lean waste in real operations
- Process mapping and identifying bottlenecks

• **Module 3: The Lean Leader's Role (11:30 - 01:00)**

- From firefighting to coaching
- Daily management, standard work, and visual controls
- Lean behaviors and team influence

• **Module 4: Group Simulation - Gemba Walk Observation (02:00 - 03:30)**

- Simulate a site walk and waste identification in a logistics environment

Day 2: Performance, Culture & Leading Change

• **Module 5: Visual Management and Team Engagement (07:30 - 09:30)**

- Using visual KPIs, scoreboards, and status boards
- Tiered huddles and frontline communication
- Empowering teams through visibility and ownership

• **Module 6: Lean Problem Solving and Coaching (09:45 - 11:15)**

- PDCA cycle and 5 Whys
- Structured A3 problem solving
- Coaching teams to solve vs. solving for them

• **Module 7: Leading Lean Transformation (11:30 - 01:00)**

- Overcoming resistance and sustaining momentum
- Linking Lean KPIs to strategic goals
- Building a Lean culture across functions

• **Module 8: Final Workshop - Lean Leadership Action Plan (02:00 - 03:30)**

- Participants develop a personalized leadership plan for Lean impact

Certification

Participants who complete the program will receive a **Certificate of Completion in Lean Leadership for Supply Chain Professionals**, recognizing their ability to lead, coach, and sustain Lean practices across supply chain functions.

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