

RESPONSIBLE SOURCING & RISK MANAGEMENT IN SUPPLY CHAIN

"Build Ethical, Resilient, and Compliant Supply Chains through Sustainable Sourcing and Risk Mitigation Strategies"

Schedule

Date	Venue	Fees (Face-to-Face)
20 - 24 Apr 2026	Dubai, UAE	USD 3,495 per delegate
07 - 11 Jun 2026	Kuwait	USD 3,495 per delegate
23 - 27 Aug 2026	Manama, Bahrain	USD 3,495 per delegate

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

Introduction

With increasing pressure from regulators, investors, and consumers, companies must ensure their supply chains are not only cost-effective but also ethical, transparent, and resilient. Responsible sourcing and supply chain risk management have become vital pillars of sustainable operations.

This comprehensive 5-day course equips procurement, compliance, and supply chain professionals with the tools and frameworks needed to identify supplier risks, enforce ethical standards, and implement sustainable sourcing practices. Participants will explore real-world challenges such as ESG compliance, supplier audits, geopolitical risks, and third-party due diligence.

Objectives

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

- Understand global trends and regulations influencing responsible sourcing
- Apply ESG, ethical, and sustainability criteria in supplier selection and management
- Identify, assess, and mitigate supply chain risks (operational, geopolitical, financial, etc.)
- Implement supplier code of conduct, due diligence, and audit frameworks
- Develop a responsible sourcing strategy aligned with organizational goals

Why Attend

- Ensure compliance with global standards (e.g., OECD, UNGP, ISO 20400)
- Mitigate supply disruptions, fraud, and reputational damage
- Embed sustainability and human rights into procurement processes
- Learn how to assess and engage high-risk suppliers ethically and effectively
- Enhance your organization's transparency and ESG performance

Target Audience

This program is designed for:

- Procurement, sourcing, and contract managers
- Supply chain and sustainability officers
- Compliance, ESG, and corporate responsibility professionals
- Risk managers and internal auditors
- Anyone responsible for supplier selection, oversight, or policy compliance

Individual Benefits

Key competencies that will be developed include:

- Ethical sourcing and sustainability risk awareness
- Supplier risk profiling and due diligence techniques
- Application of global responsible sourcing frameworks
- Audit planning and non-compliance escalation
- Integration of ESG metrics in procurement and reporting

Organizational Benefits

Upon completing the training course, participants will demonstrate:

- Enhanced supplier integrity and ethical compliance
- Reduced risk of supply chain disruption or regulatory breach
- Stronger alignment with sustainability and ESG goals
- More effective third-party monitoring and engagement
- Improved transparency and stakeholder trust

Instructional Methodology

The course follows a blended learning approach combining theory with practice:

- Strategy Briefings - Responsible sourcing frameworks, global standards, and risk models
- Case Studies - ESG violations, supplier audits, and reputational risk impacts
- Workshops - Risk mapping, supplier assessments, and ethical scoring
- Peer Exchange - Cross-industry discussions on sourcing dilemmas and solutions
- Tools - Risk matrices, supplier code templates, audit checklists, and ESG dashboards

Course Outline

Training Hours: 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM **Daily Format:** 3–4 Learning Modules | Coffee breaks: 09:30 & 11:15 | Lunch Buffet: 01:00 – 02:00

Day 1: Foundations of Responsible Sourcing

- Module 1: Global Drivers of Ethical Supply Chains (07:30 – 09:30) • Regulatory trends, investor pressures, and stakeholder expectations
- Module 2: Overview of International Standards (09:45 – 11:15) • OECD Guidelines, UNGPs, ISO 20400, and ILO conventions
- Module 3: Workshop – ESG Risk Mapping (11:30 – 01:00) • Identify risks across Tier 1 and Tier 2 suppliers
- Module 4: Building a Responsible Sourcing Policy (02:00 – 03:30) • Components, commitments, and implementation roadmap

Day 2: Supplier Evaluation & Risk Management

- Module 1: Supplier Due Diligence Process (07:30 – 09:30) • Screening, questionnaires, and third-party tools
- Module 2: Risk Profiling and Segmentation (09:45 – 11:15) • Country risk, commodity risk, and vendor type
- Module 3: Workshop – Conducting a Risk-Based Supplier Assessment (11:30 – 01:00) • Score suppliers using predefined ESG risk criteria
- Module 4: Risk Response Planning (02:00 – 03:30) • Control plans, supplier remediation, and escalation

Day 3: Contracts, Monitoring & Audit Practices

- Module 1: Embedding Standards into Contracts (07:30 – 09:30) • Clauses, SLAs, and non-compliance provisions
- Module 2: Audit Planning and Execution (09:45 – 11:15) • Internal vs. third-party audits, audit protocols
- Module 3: Workshop – Supplier Audit Simulation (11:30 – 01:00) • Evaluate audit findings and propose actions
- Module 4: Continuous Improvement and Capacity Building (02:00 – 03:30) • Training, feedback loops, and supplier engagement

Day 4: Crisis & Contingency Management in Supply Chains

- Module 1: Disruption Types and Case Examples (07:30 – 09:30) • COVID-19, political unrest, sanctions, and natural disasters
- Module 2: Business Continuity and Diversification Strategies (09:45 – 11:15) • Dual sourcing, local sourcing, and inventory buffers
- Module 3: Workshop – Risk Scenario Planning (11:30 – 01:00) • Design mitigation plans for high-risk events
- Module 4: Technology for Risk Monitoring (02:00 – 03:30) • AI, blockchain, and supply chain visibility tools

Day 5: ESG Integration & Strategic Reporting

- Module 1: Linking Procurement with ESG Goals (07:30 – 09:30) • Materiality, metrics, and board-level reporting
- Module 2: Responsible Sourcing Dashboards (09:45 – 11:15) • KPIs, visual tools, and stakeholder updates
- Module 3: Workshop – Developing a Responsible Sourcing Scorecard (11:30 – 01:00) • Create a reporting template using real or simulated data
- Module 4: Final Review and Action Plan (02:00 – 03:30) • Group reflection and commitment to implementation

Certification

Participants will receive a Certificate of Completion in Responsible Sourcing & Risk Management in Supply Chain, validating their expertise in ethical sourcing practices, supplier risk mitigation, and ESG integration within modern procurement and supply chain functions.

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