

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAMS (SRP) BASED ON ISO 26000 - LEAD AUDITOR

“Auditing and Advancing Organizational Social Responsibility in Line with Global Standards”

Schedule

Date	Venue	Fees (Face-to-Face)
19 – 23 Apr 2026	Manama, Bahrain	USD 3495 per delegate

Introduction

In an era of increased social scrutiny and stakeholder expectations, organizations must demonstrate accountability not just in profits—but in people, planet, and ethical practices. ISO 26000 offers guidance on implementing Social Responsibility Programs (SRP) that align business strategies with sustainable development goals and stakeholder engagement.

This 5-day Lead Auditor course is designed to provide professionals with the competencies to audit and evaluate SRPs based on ISO 26000. Participants will learn how to assess programs across key social responsibility domains including human rights, labor practices, environmental stewardship, fair operating practices, and community involvement.

Objectives

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

- Understand ISO 26000 principles, core subjects, and practices
- Evaluate an organization’s alignment with social responsibility standards
- Plan and conduct ISO 26000-based audits
- Identify risks, non-conformities, and improvement areas in SRPs
- Report findings and recommend actionable improvements to enhance social impact

Why Attend

Gain formal skills to assess social responsibility programs across industries

- Learn global best practices for responsible governance and stakeholder relations
- Position your organization as a leader in ethical, inclusive, and sustainable practices
- Prepare for external sustainability audits and ESG reporting
- Enhance your professional credentials with Lead Auditor recognition

Target Audience

This program is designed for:

- Sustainability, CSR, ESG, and governance professionals
- Internal and external auditors focused on non-financial reporting
- Risk and compliance managers
- HR, community engagement, and ethics officers
- Consultants supporting ISO or sustainability initiatives

Individual Benefits

Key competencies that will be developed include:

- Audit planning and execution in alignment with ISO 26000
- Stakeholder engagement and impact evaluation
- Ethical governance and anti-corruption assessments
- Human rights, diversity, and sustainability performance auditing
- Communication of social responsibility findings and KPIs

Organizational Benefits

Upon completing the training course, participants will demonstrate:

- Stronger accountability and ethical oversight in social initiatives
- Readiness for sustainability and ESG-related audits and disclosures
- Enhanced stakeholder trust through transparent SRP assessments
- Integration of ISO 26000 principles into business strategy and reporting
- Support for sustainable development goals (SDGs) and responsible supply chains

Instructional Methodology

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

- Strategy Briefings – ISO 26000 structure, SRP design, and audit guidance
- Case Studies – Social impact programs and stakeholder failures/successes
- Workshops – Audit planning, stakeholder mapping, and reporting exercises
- Peer Exchange – Cross-industry dialogue on social responsibility challenges
- Tools – Audit templates, impact metrics, non-conformity logs, and checklists

Course Outline

Training Hours: 07:30 AM - 03:30 PM Daily Format: 3-4 Learning Modules | Coffee Breaks: 09:30 & 11:15 | Lunch Break: 01:00 - 02:00

Day 1: Foundations of ISO 26000 and Social Responsibility

- Module 1: Principles and Scope of ISO 26000 (07:30 - 09:30) • Understanding SRP frameworks and global context
- Module 2: Stakeholders and Social Responsibility Core Areas (09:45 - 11:15) • Governance, labor, environment, and consumer issues
- Module 3: Workshop - Stakeholder and Risk Mapping (11:30 - 01:00) • Identify relevant parties and potential impact zones

Day 2: ISO 26000 Domains and Implementation

- Module 4: Human Rights, Labor, and Fair Practices (07:30 - 09:30) • Evaluating respect, inclusion, and supply chain conduct
- Module 5: Environment, Community, and Development (09:45 - 11:15) • Sustainability, emissions, community initiatives
- Module 6: Workshop - Conduct a Social Responsibility Gap Assessment (11:30 - 01:00) • Evaluate a sample organization's SRP implementation

Day 3: Audit Process and Evaluation Techniques

- Module 7: ISO 26000 Audit Methodology and Ethics (07:30 - 09:30) • Audit lifecycle, impartiality, and engagement
- Module 8: Evidence Gathering and Impact Review (09:45 - 11:15) • Documents, interviews, surveys, and field audits
- Module 9: Workshop - Build an Audit Plan (11:30 - 01:00) • Define scope, objectives, and evaluation methods

Day 4: Reporting and Non-Conformance Management

- Module 10: Audit Reporting and Communication (07:30 - 09:30) • Crafting audit reports and stakeholder feedback
- Module 11: Root Cause Analysis and Corrective Action (09:45 - 11:15) • Identify issues and propose sustainable improvements
- Module 12: Workshop - Present and Defend SRP Audit Findings (11:30 - 01:00) • Team presentation and Q&A with peers

Day 5: Integration and Future Trends

- Module 13: Linking SRP with SDGs and ESG Strategy (07:30 - 09:30) • Aligning SRP audits with global reporting frameworks
- Module 14: Auditor Qualification and Continuous Development (09:45 - 11:15) • Certifications, ethics, and lifelong learning
- Module 15: Final Exam and Course Wrap-Up (11:30 - 01:00) • Knowledge test and participant reflection

Certification

Participants will receive a Certificate of Completion in Social Responsibility Programs (SRP) Based on ISO 26000 - Lead Auditor, confirming their ability to assess and enhance social responsibility initiatives through internationally recognized auditing practices.

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