

ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE (ESG) AUDITING

“Mastering ESG Auditing for Sustainable Business Practices and Compliance”

Schedule

Date	Venue	Fees
26 - 30 Apr 2026	Doha, Qatar	USD 3495 per delegate

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

Introduction

In the age of corporate sustainability, Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) factors have become crucial to business performance, risk management, and reputation. ESG auditing enables organizations to evaluate and report their ESG practices, ensuring compliance with global standards and addressing stakeholder expectations. This 5-day course is designed for professionals who want to gain a comprehensive understanding of ESG auditing, including how to assess, monitor, and report on ESG performance in line with regulatory and industry standards.

Participants will learn the frameworks, guidelines, and auditing techniques used in ESG audits, and develop the skills to conduct comprehensive audits that help organizations manage ESG risks and improve sustainability practices. Through case studies, practical exercises, and expert-led sessions, participants will be equipped to assess ESG performance effectively and contribute to sustainable organizational growth.

Objectives

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

- Understand the principles and importance of ESG factors in corporate governance and risk management.
- Conduct ESG audits in line with global standards, such as the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) and SASB frameworks.
- Evaluate and assess an organization's environmental, social, and governance practices and performance.
- Identify and mitigate risks associated with ESG issues across different industries.
- Communicate ESG audit findings clearly to stakeholders, including senior management and regulators.
- Develop actionable recommendations for improving ESG practices and reporting.

Why Attend

- Gain a deep understanding of the significance of ESG audits and their role in business sustainability.
- Learn how to conduct thorough ESG audits using internationally recognized frameworks and standards.
- Improve your ability to evaluate and report on an organization's ESG performance and practices.
- Enhance your skills in identifying ESG risks and recommending mitigation strategies.
- Stay ahead of regulatory and compliance requirements related to ESG reporting.
- Contribute to driving organizational change toward more sustainable and socially responsible business practices.

Target Audience

This program is designed for:

- Auditors, risk managers, and compliance professionals responsible for ESG assessments
- Sustainability officers and managers leading corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives
- Senior executives, business leaders, and decision-makers focusing on ESG integration
- Environmental and social specialists working with ESG data and reporting
- Professionals seeking to enhance their knowledge of ESG auditing practices and frameworks

Individual Benefits

Key competencies that will be developed include:

- Comprehensive understanding of ESG auditing principles, frameworks, and best practices.
- Skills in evaluating and assessing ESG performance across environmental, social, and governance dimensions.
- Expertise in conducting ESG audits that align with global reporting standards and industry requirements.
- Ability to identify ESG-related risks and develop effective strategies for mitigation.
- Enhanced communication and reporting skills to convey ESG audit findings to stakeholders.

Organizational Benefits

Upon completing the training course, participants will demonstrate:

- Increased capability to assess and manage ESG risks and opportunities within the organization.
- Improved compliance with global ESG reporting standards and regulations.
- Stronger ability to implement sustainable practices that align with corporate goals and stakeholder expectations.
- Better preparedness for managing ESG-related disclosures and stakeholder engagements.
- Enhanced organizational reputation and long-term sustainability through effective ESG risk management.

Instructional Methodology

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

- Strategy Briefings – Detailed sessions on ESG principles, auditing methodologies, and global reporting standards.
- Case Studies – Real-world examples of successful and challenging ESG audits.
- Workshops – Hands-on exercises to practice ESG audit techniques and methodologies.
- Peer Exchange – Group discussions and collaborative learning to share experiences and insights.
- Tools – Practical tools, templates, and resources for conducting ESG audits effectively.

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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: Introduction to ESG Auditing

- Module 1: Understanding ESG Factors (07:30 – 09:30)
 - What are ESG factors and why are they important?
 - The role of ESG in corporate governance and business strategy
 - ESG reporting frameworks: GRI, SASB, TCFD, and more
- Module 2: ESG Risk Management and Compliance (09:45 – 11:15)
 - Identifying and assessing ESG risks: environmental, social, and governance aspects
 - Regulatory landscape and compliance requirements for ESG reporting
 - Building an effective ESG risk management strategy
- Module 3: The ESG Auditing Process (11:30 – 01:00)
 - Key steps in conducting an ESG audit
 - Establishing objectives, scope, and criteria for the audit
 - Gathering and analyzing ESG data

Day 2: Environmental Auditing and Risk Assessment

- Module 1: Environmental Auditing Principles (07:30 – 09:30)
 - Assessing environmental impacts: carbon footprint, waste management, and resource usage
 - Environmental regulations and compliance standards
 - Tools for measuring and reporting environmental performance
- Module 2: Social Auditing and Stakeholder Engagement (09:45 – 11:15)
 - Social factors in ESG: labor practices, community impact, diversity, and human rights
 - Engaging stakeholders and addressing social issues in ESG audits
 - Reporting social performance: ethical sourcing, community engagement, and corporate social responsibility (CSR)
- Module 3: Governance Auditing and Internal Controls (11:30 – 01:00)
 - Assessing governance practices: board structures, executive compensation, and shareholder rights
 - Internal controls and governance frameworks for ESG audits
 - The role of transparency, ethics, and accountability in governance

Day 3: Advanced ESG Auditing Techniques

- Module 1: Conducting ESG Audits Using Global Standards (07:30 – 09:30)
 - Applying international standards in ESG audits
 - Case studies of successful ESG audits
 - Understanding the role of third-party audits and certifications
- Module 2: ESG Data Analysis and Reporting (09:45 – 11:15)
 - Analyzing ESG data for insights and improvements
 - Using data visualization to present ESG audit findings
 - Communicating ESG results to stakeholders effectively
- Module 3: ESG Auditing Challenges and Best Practices (11:30 – 01:00)
 - Common challenges in ESG auditing and how to address them
 - Best practices for conducting thorough and effective ESG audits
 - Continuous improvement in ESG auditing practices

Day 4: ESG Audit Reporting and Communication

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Module 1: Structuring ESG Audit Reports (07:30 – 09:30)

- Key components of an ESG audit report
- Writing clear, actionable, and transparent ESG audit reports
- Structuring reports for different stakeholders: management, regulators, investors, and the public

Module 2: Communicating ESG Findings to Senior Leadership (09:45 – 11:15)

- Strategies for presenting complex ESG data to decision-makers
- Using ESG audit findings to influence business strategy and decision-making
- Practical communication techniques for executive-level engagement

Module 3: Aligning ESG Audits with Corporate Strategy (11:30 – 01:00)

- Integrating ESG audits into the broader corporate governance framework
- Aligning ESG audit results with business objectives and strategy
- Building long-term value through strategic ESG initiatives

Day 5: ESG Audit Action Plan and Future Trends**Module 1: Developing an ESG Audit Action Plan (07:30 – 09:30)**

- Creating actionable recommendations based on ESG audit findings
- Developing a plan for improving ESG practices across the organization
- Monitoring progress and tracking improvements over time

Module 2: The Future of ESG Auditing and Trends (09:45 – 11:15)

- Emerging trends in ESG reporting and auditing
- The role of technology and innovation in ESG audits (e.g., AI, big data)
- Preparing for the future of ESG regulations and stakeholder expectations

Module 3: Final Q&A and Course Wrap-Up (11:30 – 01:00)

- Recap of key learnings and ESG auditing tools
- Open discussion and Q&A
- Course conclusion and certificate distribution

Certification

Upon completing the training course, participants will receive a Certificate of Completion in Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Auditing, recognizing their ability to conduct comprehensive ESG audits and help organizations manage ESG risks and enhance sustainability practices.

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