Loan Appraisal and Portfolio Management for Cooperatives Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Cooperative Societies	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

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Course Objectives

1. Conduct comprehensive credit appraisal for diverse cooperative members and loan types.
2. Master financial statement analysis and cash flow projection for loan applications.
3. Effectively value and manage various forms of collateral in cooperative lending.
4. Design and implement optimal loan structures tailored to borrower needs and risk profiles.
5. Develop and apply credit scoring and rating models for cooperative borrowers.
6. Proactively monitor loan portfolio quality and identify early warning signs of distress.
7. Formulate and execute effective non-performing loan (NPL) management and recovery strategies.
8. Understand and apply regulatory requirements and best practices in lending.
9. Mitigate concentration risk and systemic risk within the loan portfolio.
10. Utilize loan management software and data analytics for enhanced efficiency and decision-making.
11. Develop and enforce robust loan policies and procedures.
12. Integrate responsible lending principles and member protection into credit decisions.
13. Prepare clear and insightful loan portfolio performance reports for management and the board.

Organizational Benefits

1. Reduced credit risk and minimized loan losses.
2. Improved quality and performance of the loan portfolio.
3. Enhanced financial stability and asset protection.
4. More informed and consistent lending decisions.
5. Greater compliance with regulatory standards and best practices.
6. Increased efficiency in loan processing and management.
7. Better utilization of capital and resources.
8. Improved recovery rates for non-performing loans.
9. Enhanced reputation and credibility with members and regulators.
10. Sustainable growth of the loan portfolio and overall profitability.

Target Participants

- Loan Officers and Credit Analysts of Cooperatives (SACCOs, Cooperative Banks)
- Credit Committee Members and Managers
- Financial Managers and Accountants with Lending Responsibilities
- Risk Managers and Compliance Officers in Cooperative Financial Institutions
- General Managers and CEOs of Cooperatives offering Credit Services
- Board Members and Audit Committee Members overseeing Lending
- Internal Auditors focusing on Loan Portfolios

Course Outline

Module 1: Foundations of Cooperative Lending

- Understanding the role of lending in cooperative financial institutions.
- Unique characteristics of cooperative loans (e.g., member-centricity, social objectives).
- The credit process cycle: origination to recovery.
- Importance of a sound lending culture and ethics.
- Case Study: Overview of the lending operations of a successful community SACCO.

Module 2: The 5 Cs of Credit Appraisal for Cooperatives

- In-depth analysis of Character (borrower integrity), Capacity (repayment ability).
- Capital (financial strength), Collateral (security for the loan).
- Conditions (economic and industry factors affecting repayment).
- Applying the 5 Cs to various cooperative loan applicants.
- Case Study: Assessing a loan applicant using the 5 Cs framework.

Module 3: Financial Statement Analysis for Loan Appraisal

- Interpreting Balance Sheets, Income Statements, and Cash Flow Statements of borrowers.
- Key financial ratios for assessing liquidity, solvency, and profitability.
- Projecting future financial performance and debt service capacity.
- Analyzing financial health of individuals, small businesses, and groups.
- Case Study: Analyzing the financial statements of a member applying for a business loan.

Module 4: Cash Flow Analysis and Repayment Capacity

- Importance of cash flow over profitability in loan repayment.
- Preparing direct and indirect cash flow statements for borrowers.
- Projecting future cash flows and debt service coverage ratio (DSCR).
- Identifying sources and uses of cash for loan repayment.
- Case Study: Calculating DSCR and assessing repayment capacity for a multi-year loan.

Module 5: Collateral Management and Security Perfection

- Types of collateral commonly used in cooperative lending (e.g., chattels, land, shares, guarantors).
- Principles of collateral valuation and appraisal.
- Legal requirements for perfecting security interests.
- Monitoring collateral value and managing depreciation.
- Case Study: Understanding the legal process of perfecting security on a member's property.

Module 6: Loan Structuring and Pricing

- Tailoring loan terms (tenor, repayment frequency, interest rates) to borrower needs.
- Understanding different interest calculation methods (e.g., declining balance, flat rate).
- Factors influencing loan pricing in cooperatives (cost of funds, risk premium, operating costs).
- Role of fees and charges in loan structuring.
- Case Study: Structuring a productive loan with a suitable repayment schedule and pricing.

Module 7: Loan Policy and Procedures Development

- Key components of a comprehensive loan policy for a cooperative.
- Establishing clear lending limits, approval authorities, and documentation requirements.
- Procedures for loan application, appraisal, disbursement, and monitoring.
- Ensuring consistency and compliance in lending operations.
- Case Study: Reviewing and suggesting improvements to a cooperative's existing loan policy.

Module 8: Loan Portfolio Monitoring and Control

- Developing a systematic approach to monitor the entire loan portfolio.
- Key performance indicators (KPIs) for portfolio health (e.g., PAR, NPL ratio).
- Loan classification and provisioning methodologies (e.g., IFRS 9 Expected Credit Losses).
- Regular portfolio reviews and reporting to management.
- Case Study: Analyzing a quarterly loan portfolio performance report.

Module 9: Early Warning Systems for Loan Distress

- Identifying leading indicators of potential loan default (financial and non-financial).
- Behavioral red flags of borrowers in distress.
- Implementing a system for timely identification and response to deteriorating loans.
- The role of relationship managers in early detection.
- Case Study: Designing an early warning system dashboard for loan officers.

Module 10: Non-Performing Loan (NPL) Management and Recovery

- Definition and classification of non-performing loans.
- Strategies for effective NPL collection: communication, negotiation, legal action.
- Loan workout and restructuring options for viable borrowers.
- Managing provisions and write-offs for unrecoverable loans.
- Case Study: Developing a recovery action plan for a specific NPL.

Module 11: Credit Scoring and Behavioral Analytics

- Introduction to traditional and behavioral credit scoring models for cooperatives.
- Leveraging member data for more accurate risk assessment.

- The role of social capital and peer pressure in cooperative loan repayment.
- Ethical considerations in using behavioral data for credit decisions.
- Case Study: Applying a basic credit scoring model to a member loan application.

Module 12: Regulatory Compliance and Best Practices

- Understanding prudential guidelines for lending by cooperative regulators (e.g., SASRA).
- Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Counter-Terrorism Financing (CTF) in lending.
- Data privacy and consumer protection regulations.
- International best practices in cooperative lending.
- Case Study: Ensuring compliance with SASRA's credit policy requirements.

Module 13: Risk Mitigation and Diversification

- Identifying and mitigating various credit risks (e.g., industry, geographic, concentration risk).
- Diversification strategies for building a resilient loan portfolio.
- The role of credit guarantees and insurance in risk mitigation.
- Stress testing the loan portfolio under adverse economic scenarios.
- Case Study: Developing a loan portfolio diversification strategy.

Module 14: Technology in Loan Management

- Overview of Loan Origination Systems (LOS) and Loan Management Systems (LMS).
- Automation of credit processes for efficiency and consistency.
- Using data analytics to identify trends and inform lending decisions.
- Cybersecurity considerations for loan data.
- Case Study: Evaluating the benefits of implementing a new LMS for a cooperative.

Module 15: Responsible Lending and Member Welfare

- Principles of responsible lending and avoiding over-indebtedness among members.
- Ethical considerations in loan collection practices.
- Balancing financial returns with the cooperative's social mission.
- Member education on financial literacy and responsible borrowing.
- Case Study: Designing a responsible lending framework for a cooperative prioritizing member welfare.

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
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Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to FINESKILL TRAINING CENTER account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
07 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Physical	$3,000
14 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000
28 Sep 2026	09 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000
05 Oct 2026	16 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000
12 Oct 2026	23 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000
19 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000

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26 Oct 2026	06 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000

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