Training Course on Managing Political Risk in the Oil and Gas Sector

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Oil and Gas	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this training course, participants will be able to:

1. Identify political risk factors specific to the oil and gas sector, including regime instability and policy changes.
2. Analyze geopolitical risks and their potential impact on oil and gas operations and supply chains.
3. Assess regulatory risks and develop strategies for compliance and proactive engagement.
4. Evaluate social risks such as community relations and human rights issues in operational areas.
5. Understand corruption risks and implement effective anti-corruption measures and due diligence.
6. Apply risk assessment frameworks to quantify and prioritize political risks in investment decisions.
7. Develop risk mitigation strategies tailored to the unique political contexts of oil and gas projects.
8. Implement stakeholder engagement plans to build trust and manage potential conflicts.
9. Formulate effective crisis management plans to respond to political disruptions and emergencies.
10. Navigate international sanctions and trade restrictions impacting the oil and gas industry.
11. Understand the role of international law and arbitration in resolving political risk disputes.
12. Develop political risk insurance strategies to transfer and manage potential financial losses.
13. Build organizational resilience to political shocks and adapt to evolving political landscapes.

Organizational Benefits

- A workforce equipped to proactively identify and understand potential political threats.

- Informed strategic choices based on a thorough understanding of the political environment.
- Minimizing disruptions caused by political events through effective mitigation strategies.
- Building trust and fostering collaboration with key political and community actors.
- Protecting assets and ensuring the long-term viability of projects in politically sensitive regions.
- Navigating complex regulatory landscapes and adhering to international standards.
- Demonstrating a commitment to responsible operations and risk management.
- Positioning the organization as a resilient and reliable partner in the global oil and gas sector.

Target Audience

1. Senior Management & Executives
2. Risk Management Professionals.
3. Business Development Managers.
4. Legal & Compliance Officers
5. Government & Public Affairs Specialists.
6. Security & Operations Managers.
7. Finance & Investment Analysts.
8. Project Managers

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Module 1: Understanding the Landscape of Political Risk in Oil & Gas

- Defining political risk and its specific manifestations in the oil and gas sector.
- Exploring the interconnectedness of political, economic, and social factors.
- Analyzing historical examples of political risk impacting oil and gas operations globally.
- Identifying key actors and institutions shaping the political environment.
- **Case Study:** The impact of nationalization policies on international oil companies in Venezuela.

Module 2: Identifying and Assessing Political Risks

- Developing frameworks for identifying a comprehensive range of political risks.
- Utilizing various risk assessment methodologies (qualitative and quantitative).
- Analyzing country risk indices and geopolitical indicators relevant to the sector.
- Conducting political risk mapping and scenario planning exercises.
- **Case Study:** Assessing the risks associated with operating in politically unstable regions in the Middle East.

Module 3: Regulatory and Legal Risks in the Energy Sector

- Navigating complex and evolving regulatory frameworks in different jurisdictions.
- Understanding licensing regimes, environmental regulations, and taxation policies.
- Analyzing the impact of international treaties and agreements on the oil and gas industry.
- Managing legal disputes and navigating international arbitration processes.
- **Case Study:** The challenges of adapting to new environmental regulations in the North Sea.

Module 4: Social and Community Risks in Oil & Gas Operations

- Understanding the importance of community engagement and social license to operate.
- Managing stakeholder expectations and addressing social grievances.
- Analyzing the risks associated with land acquisition, resettlement, and indigenous rights.

- Developing strategies for corporate social responsibility and sustainable development.
- **Case Study:** Managing community protests and environmental concerns in the Niger Delta.

Module 5: Corruption and Governance Risks

- Understanding the various forms of corruption and their impact on the oil and gas sector.
- Implementing effective anti-corruption policies and compliance programs.
- Conducting due diligence on partners, suppliers, and government officials.
- Navigating transparency initiatives and reporting requirements.
- **Case Study:** The challenges of operating in countries with high levels of perceived corruption in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Module 6: Mitigating and Responding to Political Risks

- Developing and implementing proactive risk mitigation strategies.
- Utilizing political risk insurance and other risk transfer mechanisms.
- Formulating crisis management and business continuity plans for political disruptions.
- Implementing effective communication strategies during political crises.
- **Case Study:** How a major oil company responded to a sudden change in government and national policy.

Module 7: Stakeholder Engagement and Political Influence

- Developing comprehensive stakeholder engagement strategies.
- Building relationships with government officials, policymakers, and local communities.
- Understanding lobbying and advocacy in the oil and gas sector.
- Managing reputational risks associated with political affiliations.
- **Case Study:** Successful engagement strategies with indigenous communities in resource-rich regions.

Module 8: Building Organizational Resilience to Political Shocks

- Developing adaptive strategies to navigate changing political landscapes.
- Fostering a culture of risk awareness and proactive management.
- Implementing robust monitoring and early warning systems for political risks.
- Learning from past experiences and continuously improving risk management practices.
- **Case Study:** How an oil and gas company adapted its operations following the imposition of international sanctions.

Training Methodology

This training course will employ a blended learning approach incorporating:

- Interactive lectures and presentations
- Group discussions and knowledge sharing
- Real-world case study analysis
- Practical exercises and simulations
- Expert guest speakers (where applicable)
- Access to online resources and materials

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

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	11 Sep 2026	Physical	$1,500
14 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Physical	$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	$1,500
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	$1,500
05 Oct 2026	09 Oct 2026	Physical	$1,500
12 Oct 2026	16 Oct 2026	Physical	$1,500
19 Oct 2026	23 Oct 2026	Physical	$1,500

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	$1,500

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