



Course : Effective Budgeting, Planning & Control

City :	London	Hotel :	The Ritz London
Start Date :	2025-10-27	End Date :	2025-10-31
Period :	1 Week	Price :	5950 \$

Course Overview

In order to make better business decisions, decision makers need to understand the fundamentals of budgeting and costing. This training course has been devised to give business decision makers a good understanding on budgets, cost controls, variances and associated analysis that will lead to better decisions being made & better results being attained.

The Effective Budgeting & Cost Control training course will clarify budgeting terms; clearly explain the methodology used and cover both traditional & non-traditional budgeting methods through to newer methods and approaches. We will take the same approach with all elements of costing.

Course Objectives

- Understand the fundamentals of budgeting and costing
- Clarify budgeting terms and concepts
- Explain budgeting methodologies clearly
- Cover traditional budgeting methods
- Cover non-traditional and newer budgeting approaches
- Analyze cost controls and variances
- Enable better business decision-making
- Improve organizational results through effective budgeting and cost control

Target Audience

- All personnel involved in preparation of budgets
- Budget supervisors
- Operational managers
- Productions managers
- Financial managers

- Others who provide and enter information
- Anyone else who wants to understand budgets and costing within their business

Methodology

The practical and results-oriented Effective Budgeting & Cost Control training course is based on adult learning concept. It incorporates short inspiring lectures with captivating PowerPoint slides; videos to enhance learning; ongoing discussions with action planning; ample time for Q&A; training activities to reinforce key concepts within a fun learning environment.

Course Outline

Day 1:

- Strategic Planning, Forecasting, Budgeting, and Costing – Defined
- Inter-relationship of Strategic Planning, Forecasting, and Budgets
- Benefits, Limitations, and Essential Features of Budgets
- Evaluation of Various Types of Budgets: Fixed, Variable, Zero-Based, Activity-Based, Capital Budget
- Essentials of Activity-Based Budgeting (ABB) and Developing ABB Cost Standards

Day 2:

- Developing the Activity-Based Budget and Master Budget using Excel
- Preparing Sales Budgets, Production Budgets, Cash Budgets, Capital Budgets
- Purpose and Methods of Forecasting: Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis
- Time Series Analysis, Exponential Smoothing, Correlation, and Regression
- Presenting Forecasts to Decision-Makers and Implementing into Budget Control

Day 3:

- Preparing Budgets Based on Forecasts: Sales, Production, Cash, and Capital Budgets
- Finance and Investment Decisions Using Excel: PV, FV, NPV, IRR, MIRR, Discounted Payback
- Introduction to What-If and Sensitivity Analysis
- Conditions and Management Skills Required for Successful Budget Implementation

Day 4:

- Break-Even Analysis, Cost Behavior, and Sensitivity Analysis
- Identifying Fixed, Variable, and Semi-Variable Costs
- Determining Sales/Profit to Break Even and Critical Costs
- Resource Requirements and What-If Analysis Using Excel
- Scenario Planning: Best Case/Worst Case, Probabilistic (Monte Carlo) and Deterministic Simulation

Day 5:

- Variance Analysis, Reporting, and Control
- Accounting Systems, Accountability, and Responsibility Systems
- Establishing and Implementing a Costing System
- Presenting Variance Reports to Decision-Makers
- Making Strategic Decisions Based on Variance Analysis and Business Planning

Certificates

On successful completion of this training course, HighPoint Certificate will be awarded to the delegates. Continuing Professional Education credits (CPE): In accordance with the standards of the National Registry of CPE Sponsors, one CPE credit is granted per 50 minutes of attendance.