

Advanced IPSAS (International Public Sector Accounting Standards) Training Course

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Introduction

In the dynamic landscape of the public sector, adopting International Public Sector Accounting Standards IPSAS is essential for promoting financial transparency, accountability, and operational efficiency. This advanced 5-day training program is specifically designed for finance professionals in the public sector who wish to enhance their knowledge and application of IPSAS. Through expert-led sessions, case studies, and interactive activities, participants will delve into the latest updates on IPSAS, master handling complex public sector transactions, and develop a comprehensive understanding of IPSAS implementation and compliance.

By the end of the course, participants will be equipped with advanced skills necessary to implement IPSAS effectively, improve financial reporting, and address the intricacies of public sector accounting.

Course Objectives

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

- Master Advanced IPSAS Concepts: Understand complex IPSAS standards and their practical applications in public sector accounting.
- Implement IPSAS Efficiently: Apply advanced IPSAS standards to real-world scenarios, ensuring compliance with public sector financial reporting.
- Navigate Recent IPSAS Revisions: Stay up-to-date with the latest IPSAS revisions to ensure smooth integration into existing financial systems.
- Enhance Financial Reporting & Governance: Develop the skills to improve transparency, accountability, and governance in public sector organizations through IPSAS-compliant reporting.

Course Outlines

Day 1: Advanced IPSAS Framework & Key Principles

- Introduction to the evolution and foundational principles of IPSAS.
- Understanding the role of IPSAS in promoting transparency and accountability in the public sector.
- Exploring the relationship between IFRS and IPSAS.
- Analyzing the structure of IPSAS-compliant financial statements.

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Day 2: Recent IPSAS Updates & Revisions

- A detailed review of recent IPSAS updates and their impact on public sector accounting.
- In-depth exploration of IPSAS 39 Employee Benefits and IPSAS 41 Revenue from Non-Exchange Transactions.
- Case studies on integrating IPSAS updates into accounting systems.
- Key considerations for ensuring IPSAS compliance.

Day 3: Accounting for Complex Transactions

- Managing Public-Private Partnerships PPP and other complex financial arrangements under IPSAS.
- Handling grants, donations, and transfers in line with IPSAS standards.
- Understanding the impact of non-exchange transactions on financial reporting.
- Approaches to asset valuation, depreciation, and impairment under IPSAS.

Day 4: IPSAS Implementation & Compliance Strategies

- Strategic planning and preparation for IPSAS adoption in public sector organizations.
- Transitioning from cash-based to accrual-based accounting under IPSAS.
- Ensuring IPSAS compliance through effective internal controls and auditing.
- Tools and methods for monitoring continuous IPSAS compliance.

Day 5: Enhancing Financial Reporting & Leading IPSAS Adoption

- Techniques for preparing IPSAS-compliant financial statements.
- Best practices for improving transparency and reporting to stakeholders.
- Leading the IPSAS implementation process, from initial planning to final execution.
- Exploring future trends in public sector accounting, including AI, blockchain, and data analytics.

Why Attend This Course: Wins & Losses!

This course provides immense value by equipping participants with the knowledge and skills to navigate the complexities of IPSAS in the public sector. By attending, participants will gain:

- Enhanced financial reporting and governance.
- A clear understanding of IPSAS updates and how to apply them.
- Strategies for implementing IPSAS compliance in public sector organizations.
- Improved transparency, accountability, and internal control practices.

A graphic of a chessboard with several chess pieces (a king, a queen, and a pawn) on it, set against a background of concentric circles.

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Conclusion

By the end of this training, participants will have the confidence to implement IPSAS effectively within their organizations, manage complex public sector transactions, and lead efforts to enhance financial reporting and compliance. This course empowers finance professionals to address current challenges in public sector accounting while positioning them for future advancements in financial reporting standards.

Participants will leave with a deeper understanding of IPSAS, the ability to apply it in real-world scenarios, and an increased capacity to improve transparency and accountability in the public sector.

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