Advanced VAT/GST: Cross-border & Complex Structures Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Develop advanced understanding of VAT/GST rules in cross-border transactions.
2. Analyze multi-jurisdictional VAT implications for international businesses.
3. Apply strategies to prevent double taxation in global operations.
4. Evaluate VAT treatment for digital services and e-commerce.
5. Interpret complex VAT structures and compliance requirements.
6. Implement tax-efficient supply chain and business models.
7. Identify and mitigate VAT/GST risks in multinational operations.
8. Manage VAT audits and dispute resolution effectively.
9. Optimize tax planning strategies for corporate and individual clients.
10. Understand regulatory updates and trends in global VAT/GST.
11. Apply international standards for invoicing and reporting.
12. Enhance organizational compliance and internal control frameworks.
13. Utilize technology tools for VAT/GST calculation and reporting.

Organizational Benefits

- Improved compliance with cross-border VAT/GST regulations.
- Reduction in penalties, interest, and audit risks.
- Enhanced operational efficiency in tax reporting.
- Strategic tax planning for global business expansion.
- Improved decision-making through analytical insights.
- Standardized internal processes for VAT/GST management.
- Better management of digital economy and e-commerce VAT obligations.
- Strengthened professional capabilities of finance teams.
- Increased organizational credibility with tax authorities.
- Knowledge sharing and training of internal staff on best practices.

Target Audiences

1. Tax Managers and Senior Tax Advisors
2. Accountants and Financial Controllers
3. Auditors and Compliance Officers
4. Corporate Finance Professionals
5. VAT/GST Consultants
6. Legal and Tax Counsel
7. Multinational Business Executives
8. Digital Economy and E-commerce Specialists

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Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Cross-Border VAT/GST

- Introduction to international VAT/GST principles
- VAT/GST registration requirements in multiple jurisdictions
- Compliance obligations and reporting standards
- Risk assessment and mitigation strategies
- Case Study: Cross-border goods transaction
- Practical exercise on VAT registration and compliance

Module 2: VAT/GST on Digital Services

- Taxation of e-commerce and digital products
- Place of supply rules and digital marketplace compliance
- Managing reverse charge mechanisms
- Multi-jurisdictional VAT challenges
- Case Study: Digital services provider expansion
- Hands-on calculation of VAT for cross-border digital services

Module 3: Complex Supply Chain VAT Planning

- Understanding supply chain VAT implications
- Tax-efficient structuring of multinational operations
- Intra-company transactions and VAT optimization
- Managing import/export VAT obligations
- Case Study: Global supply chain restructuring
- Group exercise: Mapping VAT flows in a supply chain

Module 4: VAT Risk Management & Audit Readiness

- VAT risk identification and control frameworks
- Preparing for VAT audits and inspections
- Documentation and record-keeping best practices
- Managing disputes and appeals
- Case Study: Audit handling for multinational firms
- Role-play: VAT audit simulation

Module 5: Advanced VAT/GST Compliance Reporting

- Filing requirements across jurisdictions
- Automated tools for VAT/GST reporting
- Harmonization of VAT/GST records and invoices
- Handling corrections and adjustments
- Case Study: VAT reporting automation
- Practical session on reporting tools

Module 6: Cross-Border Tax Avoidance & Double Taxation

- Identifying double taxation scenarios
- Application of tax treaties for VAT/GST relief
- Transfer pricing and VAT considerations
- Risk mitigation strategies for multinational corporations
- Case Study: Resolving double taxation issues
- Group discussion on treaty applications

Module 7: Sector-Specific VAT/GST Challenges

- VAT in manufacturing, services, and digital sectors
- Exemptions and zero-rated supply analysis
- Handling VAT in financial services and education
- Special schemes for SMEs and startups
- Case Study: VAT in the healthcare sector
- Workshop: Sector-specific VAT treatment analysis

Module 8: VAT/GST Technology & Digital Tools

- Leveraging technology for VAT/GST compliance
- E-invoicing and digital reporting systems
- Blockchain and automation in VAT/GST
- Technology integration for multinational operations
- Case Study: Digital VAT reporting system implementation
- Hands-on tool demonstration

Module 9: International VAT/GST Updates & Trends

- Global VAT/GST legislative developments
- Emerging trends in digital economy taxation
- Updates from OECD and UN on VAT standards
- Managing compliance with evolving regulations
- Case Study: VAT adaptation in a new market
- Group analysis on legislative impact

Module 10: VAT Planning & Strategic Advisory

- Tax planning frameworks for multinational firms
- Advisory strategies for reducing VAT exposure
- Scenario analysis for decision-making
- Cost-benefit evaluation of VAT planning measures
- Case Study: Strategic VAT advisory project
- Group discussion on planning outcomes

Module 11: Indirect Tax Litigation & Dispute Resolution

- Understanding VAT/GST litigation processes
- Alternative dispute resolution mechanisms
- Preparing documentation for tribunal hearings
- Risk assessment for potential disputes
- Case Study: Litigation strategy for a multinational
- Role-play: Dispute resolution simulation

Module 12: VAT Implications for Mergers & Acquisitions

- Tax due diligence for cross-border transactions
- VAT considerations in corporate restructuring
- Post-merger VAT compliance integration
- Risk management in M&A activities
- Case Study: VAT planning in an acquisition deal

- Group exercise: M&A VAT risk assessment

Module 13: Transfer Pricing & VAT Interaction

- Overview of transfer pricing rules and VAT implications
- Pricing methods and VAT impact analysis
- Documentation and compliance requirements
- Case Study: Transfer pricing adjustments affecting VAT
- Hands-on transfer pricing computation
- Group discussion on multinational scenarios

Module 14: VAT/GST for E-commerce Platforms

- Tax obligations for marketplace operators
- Managing VAT on cross-border sales
- Compliance with consumer jurisdiction rules
- Case Study: E-commerce VAT implementation
- Practical session on invoicing and filing
- Group exercise on marketplace VAT flows

Module 15: Capstone Case Study & Integration Exercise

- Comprehensive cross-border VAT scenario analysis
- Integration of all modules into a practical project
- Strategic decision-making under VAT constraints
- Presentation and feedback on solutions
- Group discussion on lessons learned
- Case Study: Multi-country VAT strategy simulation

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures with global VAT/GST examples
- Hands-on exercises using real-life scenarios
- Case studies emphasizing complex and digital transactions
- Group discussions for collaborative learning
- Role-play simulations for audit and dispute scenarios
- Technology-based exercises for reporting and compliance

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
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Online	$2,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$9,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000

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