

Floating Solar PV Systems Development Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Renewable Energy	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

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

1. Understand the principles, technologies, market trends, and global growth drivers of Floating Solar PV (FPV).
2. Conduct site screening, feasibility studies, GIS-based assessment, and solar resource evaluation for potential water bodies.
3. Assess water-body characteristics, bathymetry, wind, waves, water levels, evaporation, and climate risks affecting FPV systems.
4. Develop preliminary floating PV system designs, including modules, floats, walkways, inverters, transformers, and cabling.
5. Evaluate mooring and anchoring systems for different reservoir and water-environment conditions.
6. Apply energy yield modeling, performance analysis, and loss assessment to optimize FPV project output.
7. Integrate FPV with hydropower, battery energy storage, smart grids, and hybrid renewable energy systems.
8. Identify and manage environmental, social, biodiversity, water-quality, and ESG risks.
9. Develop CAPEX, OPEX, LCOE, financial models, project economics, and investment cases for FPV projects.
10. Understand power purchase agreements (PPAs), tariffs, auctions, procurement, contracts, and bankability requirements.
11. Plan EPC execution, marine logistics, installation, commissioning, health and safety, and quality assurance.

12. Establish effective operations, maintenance, asset management, monitoring, predictive maintenance, and lifecycle strategies.
13. Apply international best practices, digital technologies, climate-resilient design, and innovation strategies to develop commercially viable FPV projects.

Target Audience

1. Renewable Energy Developers and Independent Power Producers (IPPs).
2. Solar PV Engineers, electrical engineers, mechanical engineers, and civil/structural engineers.
3. Hydropower Professionals and utility/grid planning specialists.
4. Project Managers, EPC managers, construction managers, and asset managers.
5. Energy Consultants, feasibility-study specialists, and technical advisors.
6. Investors, Banks, Project Finance Professionals, insurers, and infrastructure funds.
7. Government Officials, Regulators, Utilities, municipalities, and energy-policy professionals.
8. Environmental, ESG, Sustainability, Procurement, and Operations Professionals involved in renewable-energy projects.

Course Modules

Module 1: Floating Solar PV Fundamentals, Market & Technology Landscape

- FPV fundamentals.
- Global FPV market trends.
- Technology architecture.
- Innovation trends.
- Case Study: Review of a utility-scale reservoir floating solar project and lessons learned in technology selection, scalability, and project development.

Module 2: Site Identification, Feasibility & Solar Resource Assessment

- Site screening methodology.
- GIS and remote sensing.
- Hydrological and environmental assessment.
- Solar resource and energy assessment.
- Case Study: Conduct a pre-feasibility assessment for a reservoir FPV site, including site constraints, preliminary capacity, and development risks.

Module 3: FPV System Design, Floating Platforms & Mooring

- System design.
- Floating-platform engineering.
- Mooring and anchoring.
- Extreme-condition design.
- Case Study: Compare mooring and anchoring strategies for a large reservoir experiencing substantial seasonal water-level changes.

Module 4: Electrical Integration, Energy Yield & Grid Connection

- Electrical architecture.
- Energy yield modeling.
- Grid integration.
- Hybrid systems.

- Case Study: Develop an FPV-hydropower hybrid concept designed to improve renewable-energy generation and grid flexibility.

Module 5: Environmental, Social, ESG & Regulatory Considerations

- Environmental impact assessment.
- Water-energy nexus.
- ESG frameworks.
- Permitting and compliance.
- Case Study: Assess environmental and stakeholder risks associated with deploying FPV on a multi-use water reservoir.

Module 6: Project Economics, Financing & Commercial Structuring

- Project economics
- Financial modeling
- Commercial structures
- Bankability and risk allocation
- Case Study: Build a simplified financial model for a utility-scale FPV project and evaluate project viability under different tariff and CAPEX scenarios.

Module 7: EPC, Construction, Installation & Commissioning

- Project execution strategy
- Marine logistics
- Health and safety
- Commissioning
- Case Study: Develop an FPV construction and commissioning plan for a large reservoir, identifying critical-path activities and installation risks.

Module 8: Operations, Maintenance, Digitalization & Future FPV Innovation

- O&M strategies
- Digital asset management
- Performance optimization
- Lifecycle management
- Case Study: Analyze an underperforming FPV plant using operational data to identify faults, improve availability, and optimize lifetime energy production.

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking.
- Expert-led Q&A sessions.
- Continuous feedback and personalized guidance.

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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
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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