

Sustainable Finance and Green Bonds Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Political Science and International Relations	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

- Master the principles of sustainable finance and ESG integration across investment strategies.
- Analyze the rapidly growing green bond market and its key drivers.
- Apply the ICMA Green Bond Principles for credible and transparent issuance.
- Evaluate and select eligible green projects with measurable environmental benefits.
- Develop and implement a robust green bond framework.
- Navigate the complex regulatory landscape and emerging taxonomies
- Conduct effective environmental impact assessments and risk analysis.
- Create comprehensive impact reporting and disclosure strategies.
- Differentiate between various sustainable debt instruments
- Identify and mitigate the risks of greenwashing in sustainable investments.
- Assess the role of climate finance in achieving international climate targets.
- Explore innovative financing mechanisms for climate solutions.
- Discuss the future of sustainable capital markets and trending innovations.

Organizational Benefits

- Attract new investors by meeting the surging demand for ESG-compliant products.
- Enhance corporate reputation and brand value as a sustainability leader.
- Diversify funding sources and access the growing pool of green capital.
- Mitigate reputational and financial risks associated with climate change and non-compliance.
- Foster a culture of sustainability and ESG awareness across the organization.
- Improve credit ratings and access to favorable financing terms.
- Gain a competitive edge in the evolving financial services industry.
- Demonstrate commitment to corporate social responsibility (CSR) and long-term value creation.

Target Audience

- Financial Professionals: Investment bankers, fund managers, and financial analysts.
- Corporate Treasury and Strategy Teams.
- Sustainability and CSR Professionals.

- Government and Regulatory Officials.
- Development Practitioners.
- Project Developers.
- Academics and Researchers.
- Legal and Compliance Professionals.

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Module 1: Foundations of Sustainable Finance

- Introduction to sustainable finance, ESG, and the global imperative for a green transition.
- The evolution of the green bond market and its role in scaling up climate finance.
- Key market players, from investors and issuers to underwriters and external reviewers.
- **Case Study:** The World Bank's pioneering green bond issuance and its impact on market development.
- Discussion on the link between ESG performance and long-term financial returns.

Module 2: Green Bond Principles & Frameworks

- In-depth analysis of the **ICMA Green Bond Principles (GBP)** and their four core components.
- How to develop a robust **Green Bond Framework** and align it with corporate strategy.
- Project eligibility criteria and the importance of a clear "use of proceeds" policy.
- **Case Study:** A major corporate's journey in creating a green bond framework for a portfolio of renewable energy assets.
- The role of second-party opinions (SPOs) and external verification in ensuring credibility.

Module 3: The Green Bond Issuance Process

- Step-by-step guide to the pre-issuance phase: from internal approval to appointing advisors.
- Structuring a green bond: tenors, pricing, and investor roadshow considerations.
- Legal documentation and aligning with market standards and regulatory requirements.
- **Case Study:** A sovereign green bond issuance and the multi-stakeholder collaboration required for a successful launch.
- Common challenges and best practices in the green bond issuance lifecycle.

Module 4: Post-Issuance & Impact Reporting

- Best practices for managing and tracking the "use of proceeds."
- Developing a comprehensive **impact reporting** strategy and selecting key performance indicators (KPIs).
- Aligning reporting with global standards like the **Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)** and the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI).
- **Case Study:** The impact report of a city's green bond used to finance public transit and sustainable infrastructure projects.
- The role of post-issuance assurance and addressing investor queries.

Module 5: ESG and Greenwashing Risk

- Understanding and identifying the key drivers of **greenwashing** in sustainable finance.
- Strategies for implementing internal controls to maintain the integrity of green projects.
- How regulators are stepping up to combat greenwashing and enforce disclosure rules.
- **Case Study:** A company's green bond facing scrutiny and how robust governance prevented reputational damage.

- Ethical considerations and building long-term trust with investors and stakeholders.

Module 6: Sustainable Debt & Thematic Bonds

- Exploring the landscape of other sustainable debt instruments, including **Social Bonds** and **Sustainability-Linked Bonds**.
- The difference between a green bond and a social or sustainability bond.
- How to structure a sustainability-linked bond with measurable performance targets.
- **Case Study:** A global apparel company's issuance of a sustainability-linked bond tied to reducing its carbon footprint and water usage.
- Discussion on the pros and cons of different bond types for various projects.

Module 7: Climate Finance & Policy Landscape

- The intersection of **climate finance** and sustainable development goals (SDGs).
- Key policies and regulations shaping the market, including the **EU Taxonomy** and other national green taxonomies.
- The role of public policy in creating an enabling environment for sustainable finance.
- **Case Study:** The German government's sovereign green bond and its impact on stimulating the national market.
- Future trends in policy and the implications for global capital markets.

Module 8: The Future of Sustainable Finance

- The role of technology, including **FinTech** and **blockchain**, in enhancing green bond transparency.
- Emerging trends in climate finance, such as nature-based solutions and blue bonds.
- Integrating AI and big data for enhanced **ESG data analytics**.
- **Case Study:** A financial institution's use of blockchain to tokenize a green bond, improving transparency and liquidity.
- A look ahead at the next frontier of sustainable finance and its potential to accelerate the net-zero transition.

Training Methodology

Our training methodology combines **interactive learning** with **practical application** to ensure a deep understanding of the subject matter.

- **Live Sessions:** Engaging lectures and Q&A sessions with industry experts.
- **Case Studies:** Real-world examples and analyses of successful and challenging green bond issuances.
- **Group Exercises:** Hands-on activities to develop a green bond framework and assess project eligibility.
- **Panel Discussions:** Insights from market practitioners, regulators, and investors.
- **Resource Library:** Access to the latest market reports, white papers, and regulatory documents.
- **Networking:** Opportunities to connect with peers and experts in the sustainable finance community.

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
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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