

Training course on Advanced Conference and Convention Management

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Tourism and hospitality	Duration	10 Days
Base Fee	\$3,000 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Analyze the strategic importance and complex ecosystem of **Advanced Conference and Convention Management**.
2. Master methodologies for **setting clear objectives and developing strategic plans** for large-scale events.
3. Design and execute compelling **program content, speaker management, and session flow**.
4. Develop sophisticated strategies for **delegate acquisition, registration, and engagement**.
5. Negotiate and manage complex **venue contracts and supplier relationships** for conventions.
6. Implement robust **financial management, budgeting, and revenue generation strategies** (including sponsorship).
7. Apply advanced **risk management and contingency planning techniques** for large events.
8. Leverage **event technology solutions** for enhanced delegate experience, operations, and data analytics.

9. Formulate effective **marketing and communication strategies** for conferences and conventions.
10. Understand the intricacies of **exhibition and trade show management**.
11. Design and manage **hybrid and virtual components** for expanded reach and engagement.
12. Conduct thorough **post-event evaluation and impact assessment**.
13. Position themselves as strategic leaders capable of delivering high-value and successful global conferences.

Target Audience

This course is designed for experienced professionals involved in the planning and execution of large-scale events:

1. **Conference Managers and Directors:** Leading major conferences for associations or corporations.
2. **Convention Center Sales and Operations Staff:** Managing large-scale bookings and logistics.
3. **Association Executives:** Responsible for annual meetings and events.
4. **Corporate Event Specialists:** Organizing internal or external large-scale conferences.
5. **Exhibition Organizers and Managers:** Focusing on trade show planning.
6. **Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) Professionals:** Attracting and supporting large events.
7. **Hospitality Leaders:** Managing events divisions in large hotels or venues.
8. **Senior Event Management Students:** Specializing in complex event operations.

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Course Modules

Module 1: Strategic Foundations of Conference Management

- Understanding the Economic, Social, and Knowledge Impact of Conferences and Conventions.
- Defining Objectives: Educational, Networking, Business Development, Thought Leadership.
- Stakeholder Mapping and Management: Attendees, Speakers, Sponsors, Exhibitors, Venue, Host City.
- Developing a Comprehensive Strategic Plan for Large-Scale Events.
- Current State and Future Trends in the Global Meetings Industry.

Module 2: Program Development and Speaker

- Designing a Compelling and Relevant Conference Program.
- Call for Papers/Proposals and Content Curation.
- Speaker Sourcing, Contracting, and Relationship Management.
- Session Formats: Keynotes, Panels, Workshops, Breakouts, Interactive Sessions.
- Managing Presentation Technology and Speaker Ready Rooms.

Module 3: Delegate Acquisition and Engagement

- Developing a Multi-Channel Delegate Acquisition Strategy.
- Pricing Strategies for Registrations: Early Bird, Group Rates, Tiered Access.
- Building a Seamless Online Registration Process.
- Strategies for Enhancing Delegate Engagement: Networking Tools, Interactive Sessions, Mobile Apps.
- Managing Participant Data and Privacy (GDPR, CCPA).

Module 4: Complex Venue Sourcing and Negotiation

- Identifying and Evaluating Large-Scale Venues (Convention Centers, Hotels, Unique Spaces).

- Request for Proposal (RFP) Process and Site Inspections.
- Strategic Negotiation of Venue Contracts: Room Blocks, F&B Minimums, Attrition, Concessions.
- Understanding Technical Requirements: Rigging, Power, Internet.
- Collaboration with Venue Convention Services Teams.

Module 5: Financial Management and Budgeting

- Developing a Detailed and Realistic Budget for Conferences and Conventions.
- Revenue Streams: Registration Fees, Sponsorship, Exhibition Sales, Advertising.
- Expense Categories: Venue, F&B, AV, Speakers, Marketing, Staffing, Tech.
- Cost Control Strategies and Contingency Planning.
- Financial Reporting, Profitability Analysis, and ROI Measurement.

Module 6: Sponsorship and Exhibition Management

- Developing a Compelling Sponsorship Prospectus.
- Identifying Potential Sponsors and Exhibitors.
- Negotiation and Fulfillment of Sponsorship Benefits.
- Designing Effective Exhibition Hall Layouts and Flow.
- Managing Exhibitor Services, Logistics, and Communications.

Module 7: Advanced Event Logistics and Operations

- Master Planning for Large-Scale Event Logistics: Timelines, Staffing, Signage.
- Transportation and Shuttle Management.
- Security and Crowd Management Planning.
- Food & Beverage Planning for Large Groups: Menus, Service Styles, Dietary Needs.
- Managing On-Site Operations and Problem-Solving.

Module 8: Risk Management and Contingency Planning

- Identifying Potential Risks for Large Events: Health, Safety, Weather, Terrorism, Technology Failure.
- Developing a Comprehensive **Risk Management Plan**.
- Crisis Communication and Emergency Response Protocols.
- Insurance Coverage for Conferences and Conventions.
- Legal Considerations and Contractual Clauses for Force Majeure.

Module 9: Advanced Event Technology

- Comprehensive Event Management Software (EMS) for End-to-End Planning.
- Mobile Event Apps for Schedules, Networking, and Live Polling.
- Registration and Check-in Technologies (Badging, Facial Recognition).
- Hybrid Event Platforms and Virtual Components (Live Streaming, Virtual Booths).
- Data Analytics from Event Tech for Insights and Personalization.

Module 10: Marketing and Communication Strategies

- Developing a Multi-Phase Marketing Plan: Awareness, Registration, Engagement.
- Utilizing Digital Channels: Website, Email Marketing, Social Media, Paid Ads.
- Public Relations and Media Partnerships.
- Content Marketing: Blogs, Videos, Thought Leadership.
- Internal and External Communication Protocols for All Stakeholders.

Module 11: Hybrid and Virtual Event Components

- Strategies for Designing Engaging **Hybrid Events** (Blending In-Person and Virtual).
- Selecting and Optimizing Virtual Event Platforms.
- Content Delivery and Production for Virtual Audiences.
- Facilitating Networking and Interaction in Hybrid/Virtual Formats.
- Measuring Engagement and Success for Digital Components.

Module 12: Post-Event Evaluation and Impact Assessment

- Conducting Comprehensive Post-Event Debriefings with All Stakeholders.
- Gathering Feedback: Surveys, Focus Groups, Data Analytics.
- Analyzing Financial Performance and ROI Against Objectives.
- Measuring Attendee Satisfaction, Learning Outcomes, and Networking Success.
- Creating Detailed Post-Event Reports and Recommendations for Future Events.

Training Methodology

- **Interactive Workshops:** Facilitated discussions, group exercises, and problem-solving activities.
- **Case Studies:** Real-world examples to illustrate successful community-based surveillance practices.
- **Role-Playing and Simulations:** Practice engaging communities in surveillance activities.
- **Expert Presentations:** Insights from experienced public health professionals and community leaders.
- **Group Projects:** Collaborative development of community surveillance plans.
- **Action Planning:** Development of personalized action plans for implementing community-based surveillance.
- **Digital Tools and Resources:** Utilization of online platforms for collaboration and learning.
- **Peer-to-Peer Learning:** Sharing experiences and insights on community engagement.
- **Post-Training Support:** Access to online forums, mentorship, and continued learning resources.

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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

- Participants must be conversant in English.
- Upon completion of training, participants will receive an Authorized Training Certificate.
- The course duration is flexible and can be modified to fit any number of days.
- Course fee includes facilitation, training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch, and a Certificate upon successful completion.
- One-year post-training support, consultation, and coaching provided after the course.
- Payment should be made at least a week before the training commencement to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice, to enable better preparation.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
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