Training Course on Mastering Boardroom Dynamics and Effective Communication

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	CEOs and Directors	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Enhance overall board performance through improved communication and collaboration.
2. Develop advanced communication strategies for impactful board discussions and stakeholder engagement.
3. Understand and influence the psychological and behavioral aspects of board interactions.
4. Leverage effective communication to facilitate evidence-based strategic choices.
5. Promote open information sharing and build trust within the board and with external stakeholders.
6. Acquire practical techniques for constructive conflict resolution and consensus building.
7. Strengthen board oversight and accountability through clear and ethical communication.
8. Improve communication with diverse stakeholders, from shareholders to employees.
9. Project confidence, authority, and influence in high-stakes boardroom environments.
10. Effectively utilize technology for secure and efficient board communication and collaboration.
11. Foster an inclusive board environment where diverse perspectives are valued and heard.
12. Clearly communicate and manage critical organizational risks at the board level.
13. Facilitate seamless leadership transitions through transparent and timely communication.

Organizational Benefits

- Boards will be better equipped to align on critical strategic priorities, leading to more focused and effective organizational direction.
- Clearer communication and healthier dynamics will result in more informed, robust, and timely board decisions.
- A more engaged and effective board directly translates to improved governance practices, reducing risk and increasing compliance.
- Transparent and effective board communication builds trust with investors, regulators, and the public, enhancing organizational reputation.
- Boards that communicate efficiently and adapt quickly to changing environments foster a more agile and responsive organization.
- Minimized misunderstandings and conflicts within the boardroom lead to more efficient meetings and reduced internal friction.
- A well-functioning and highly communicative board is more attractive to high-caliber executive and board candidates.

- Ultimately, improved boardroom dynamics and communication are directly correlated with long-term organizational success and sustained performance.

Target Audience

1. Board Directors (Executive & Non-Executive)
2. Board Chairs
3. Company Secretaries/Governance Professionals
4. CEOs and C-Suite Executives
5. Senior Management aspiring to Board Roles
6. Legal and Compliance Professionals
7. Investor Relations Professionals
8. Family Business Owners and Directors

Course Outline

Module 1: Foundations of Boardroom Excellence & Dynamics

- Understanding the evolving role of modern boards and their impact on organizational performance.
- Corporate Governance Frameworks, Fiduciary Duties, Board Structures.
- Identifying the characteristics of high-performing boards versus dysfunctional ones.
- Analyzing the subtle power dynamics and unspoken rules within board settings.
- **Case Study:** *The Enron Scandal:* Analyzing communication breakdowns and governance failures that led to organizational collapse, emphasizing the need for robust dynamics.

Module 2: Strategic Communication for Boardroom Impact

- Crafting clear, concise, and compelling messages for diverse board audiences.
- Active Listening, Persuasion, Rhetoric in the Boardroom.
- Techniques for effective questioning and providing constructive feedback.
- Presenting complex financial and strategic information clearly and persuasively.
- **Case Study:** *Tesla's Board & Elon Musk:* Examining the communication challenges and controversies between a high-profile CEO and the board, highlighting effective and ineffective communication strategies.

Module 3: Navigating Challenging Conversations & Conflict Resolution

- Strategies for addressing dissent, differing opinions, and difficult personalities in the boardroom.
- Conflict Resolution Models, Mediation Techniques, Emotional Intelligence.
- Techniques for de-escalation and building consensus during contentious discussions.
- Maintaining composure and professionalism under pressure.
- **Case Study:** *The Boardroom Battle at Hewlett-Packard (HP):* Exploring historical conflicts among board members and their impact on company strategy and leadership, focusing on resolution techniques.

Module 4: Building Trust & Fostering a Collaborative Board Culture

- The role of trust in effective board relationships and decision-making.
- Psychological Safety, Boardroom Culture, Interpersonal Trust.
- Strategies for fostering a culture of open dialogue, respect, and psychological safety.
- Encouraging diverse perspectives and inclusive participation.

- **Case Study:** *Patagonia's Boardroom Culture:* Analyzing how a values-driven company cultivates a collaborative and ethical board environment that aligns with its mission.

Module 5: Leveraging Data and Technology for Informed Decisions

- Communicating complex data and analytics effectively to board members.
- Data Visualization, Board Portals, Cybersecurity for Boards.
- Utilizing digital tools to enhance information sharing and virtual meeting effectiveness.
- Addressing cybersecurity risks related to sensitive board communications.
- **Case Study:** *The Equifax Data Breach & Board Oversight:* Examining the communication failures around cybersecurity risks at the board level and lessons learned for data governance.

Module 6: Stakeholder Communication & Reputation Management

- Developing a cohesive communication strategy for external stakeholders (investors, media, public).
- Crisis Communication, Investor Relations, Corporate Social Responsibility.
- Managing board communications during times of crisis and reputational challenges.
- The board's role in shaping and protecting organizational reputation.
- **Case Study:** *United Airlines' Passenger Removal Incident:* Analyzing the board's communication response during a public relations crisis and its impact on brand reputation.

Module 7: Leadership Presence & Influence in the Boardroom

- Developing executive presence and projecting confidence and credibility.
- Non-Verbal Communication, Gravitas, Persuasive Leadership.
- Strategies for influencing outcomes and driving decisions without direct authority.
- Effective storytelling and framing for board presentations.
- **Case Study:** *Mary Barra at General Motors:* Observing how a CEO navigated significant challenges and communicated effectively to rebuild trust and lead a major corporate transformation.

Module 8: Board Performance Evaluation & Continuous Improvement

- Communicating feedback effectively during board and individual director evaluations.
- Board Evaluation Methodologies, Feedback Loops, Continuous Learning.
- Identifying areas for improvement in board dynamics and communication.
- Developing action plans for ongoing professional development and board effectiveness.
- **Case Study:** *A Public Company's Annual Board Evaluation Report:* Reviewing a redacted report to identify common challenges in board performance and how effective communication can drive improvements.

Training Methodology

This training course will employ a highly interactive and practical methodology, combining:

- **Interactive Workshops:** Facilitated discussions, group exercises, and problem-solving sessions.
- **Real-World Case Studies:** In-depth analysis of actual boardroom scenarios and communication challenges.
- **Role-Playing Simulations:** Participants will practice critical communication skills in realistic boardroom settings.

- **Expert-Led Presentations:** Concise theoretical frameworks and best practices from experienced governance professionals.
- **Peer-to-Peer Learning:** Opportunities for participants to share experiences and learn from their peers.
- **Individual & Group Feedback:** Constructive feedback on communication styles and boardroom participation.
- **Practical Tools & Templates:** Provision of actionable frameworks, checklists, and communication templates.
- **Q&A Sessions:** Dedicated time for addressing specific participant queries and challenges.

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	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000

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23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

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