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Why This Course

Behind every trade in global financial markets lies a complex network of operations, clearing, settlement, and risk control mechanisms that ensure accuracy, efficiency, and trust.

As financial products grow more sophisticated and digital transformation accelerates, professionals must master the operational backbone that supports securities, derivatives, foreign exchange, and fixed income markets.

The Financial Markets Operations program equips participants with the tools, frameworks, and global best practices required to manage the end-to-end trade lifecycle.

It integrates trade execution, confirmation, clearing, settlement, reconciliation, and regulatory reporting with a focus on risk management, operational resilience, and process automation.

Through practical simulations, regulatory insights, and real-world case studies, participants will develop a deep understanding of how to achieve operational excellence in today's fast-paced financial markets.

What You'll Learn and Practice

By joining this program, you will:

- Understand the structure and functioning of global financial markets.
- Learn the trade lifecycle — from order execution to post-trade settlement.
- Gain mastery in securities, FX, derivatives, and fixed income operations.
- Explore clearing, custody, and collateral management frameworks.
- Apply risk control, reconciliation, and exception management practices.
- Understand regulatory reporting and compliance requirements.
- Utilize digital tools and automation to streamline market operations.
- Develop strategies for operational resilience and efficiency.



The Program Flow

Day 1: Global Financial Markets Overview

- Overview of capital markets — equities, debt, FX, and derivatives.
- Key participants: investors, brokers, custodians, and clearing houses.
- Market infrastructure: exchanges, CCPs central counterparties, and depositories.
- Trade lifecycle introduction — pre-trade, trade, and post-trade processes.
- Case study: Operational insights from a leading global market operator.

Day 2: The Trade Lifecycle and Post-Trade Operations

- Order management and trade execution processes.
- Trade confirmation, matching, and settlement instructions.
- Settlement cycles T+1, T+2 and global market practices.
- Custody services and securities transfers.
- Workshop: Mapping the trade lifecycle for equity and bond transactions.

Day 3: Clearing, Collateral, and Reconciliation

- Clearing mechanisms and the role of central counterparties CCPs.
- Collateral management principles and margining techniques.
- Reconciliation — positions, cash, and trade confirmations.
- Exception management and automation solutions.
- Simulation: Managing a clearing and settlement process under market volatility.

Day 4: Risk, Compliance, and Regulatory Operations

- Operational risk identification and mitigation in financial markets.
- Regulatory frameworks — MiFID II, EMIR, Dodd-Frank, and Basel III.
- Reporting obligations: trade repositories and transparency requirements.
- Anti-Money Laundering AML and Know Your Transaction KYT processes.
- Group activity: Designing a compliance control framework for post-trade operations.

Day 5: Digital Transformation and Future Trends

- Automation, robotic process automation RPA, and AI in market operations.
- Blockchain and distributed ledger technology DLT in clearing and settlement.
- Data analytics and performance dashboards for operational efficiency.
- Cyber resilience and business continuity in financial infrastructure.
- Final project: Developing a modernization roadmap for financial market operations.



Individual Impact

- Gain comprehensive knowledge of global market operations and trade workflows.
- Strengthen analytical and problem-solving capabilities in operational processes.
- Build confidence in managing risks and ensuring regulatory compliance.
- Develop digital fluency to optimize post-trade efficiency and control.
- Position yourself as a financial markets operations professional with a global perspective and operational mastery.

Work Impact

- Improve operational accuracy, efficiency, and risk control.
- Strengthen compliance with evolving global regulatory standards.
- Enhance coordination between front, middle, and back-office functions.
- Drive digital transformation and automation initiatives in market operations.
- Contribute to resilient, transparent, and efficient financial ecosystems.

Training Methodology

This program combines technical analysis, practical exercises, and digital transformation frameworks to ensure both deep understanding and hands-on capability.

Learning methods include:

- Real-world case studies from global investment banks and clearing institutions.
- Simulations on trade lifecycle, clearing, and reconciliation workflows.
- Workshops on compliance and operational risk mitigation.
- Group projects and scenario-based decision-making exercises.
- Toolkits and best-practice templates for operational enhancement.

Beyond the Course

Upon completion, participants will be equipped to manage and optimize financial market operations across diverse asset classes and regulatory jurisdictions.

Graduates of this program will emerge as Financial Markets Operations Professionals — capable of ensuring efficiency, compliance, and resilience in the increasingly digital global financial ecosystem.

