Communities of Practice in M&E Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Monitoring and Evaluation	**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 strategic role of CoPs in modern M&E systems
2. Design effective CoP governance and operating models
3. Facilitate peer-to-peer learning and knowledge exchange
4. Strengthen evaluation capacity through collaborative learning
5. Apply CoPs for adaptive management and learning agendas
6. Integrate CoPs into results-based management frameworks
7. Leverage digital platforms for virtual and hybrid CoPs
8. Promote evidence use and learning culture
9. Capture and document tacit and explicit M&E knowledge
10. Measure the performance and value of CoPs
11. Manage stakeholder engagement within CoPs
12. Scale CoPs across programs, sectors, and regions
13. Ensure sustainability of CoPs beyond project cycles

Target Audience

1. Monitoring & Evaluation Officers and Specialists
2. Program and Project Managers
3. Learning, Knowledge Management & MEL Professionals
4. Donor Agency Staff and Development Partners
5. NGO and CSO Technical Teams
6. Government M&E Units and Planning Officers
7. Research and Policy Analysts
8. Evaluation Consultants and Capacity-Building Providers

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Communities of Practice in M&E

- Definition and evolution of CoPs
- CoPs vs networks vs working groups
- Value proposition for M&E systems
- CoPs in adaptive and learning organizations
- Case Study: CoP for evaluation learning in a donor-funded health program

Module 2: Designing Effective M&E Communities of Practice

- Defining purpose, scope, and outcomes

- Stakeholder mapping and member roles
- Governance and leadership structures
- Participation and engagement strategies
- Case Study: Designing a national M&E CoP for government agencies

Module 3: Facilitation and Knowledge-Sharing Techniques

- Peer learning and storytelling methods
- Learning events, clinics, and learning labs
- Knowledge harvesting and documentation
- Trust-building and collaboration dynamics
- Case Study: Peer-learning clinics in a regional NGO CoP

Module 4: Digital Platforms and Tools for CoPs

- Virtual and hybrid CoP models
- Knowledge management systems and dashboards
- Collaboration tools (Teams, Slack, Moodle, LMS)
- Data visualization and shared repositories
- Case Study: Digital M&E CoP across multi-country projects

Module 5: CoPs for Evaluation Capacity Strengthening

- Competency frameworks for M&E professionals
- Mentorship and coaching within CoPs
- Learning pathways and skill progression
- Institutionalizing learning outcomes
- Case Study: Evaluation capacity building through CoPs

Module 6: Using CoPs for Adaptive Management

- Learning agendas and reflection cycles
- Integrating CoPs into program reviews
- After-Action Reviews (AARs) and learning loops
- Evidence-informed decision-making
- Case Study: Adaptive management in humanitarian programs

Module 7: Measuring CoP Performance and Value

- CoP monitoring indicators and metrics
- Participation, engagement, and knowledge use
- Learning outcomes and behavioral change
- Demonstrating value for money
- Case Study: Assessing impact of an M&E CoP

Module 8: Sustainability and Scaling of CoPs

- Institutional embedding and ownership
- Financing and resource mobilization
- Scaling across sectors and regions
- Risk management and succession planning
- Case Study: Sustaining a CoP beyond donor funding

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- 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.

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

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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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