Cost Benchmarking Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand advanced cost benchmarking frameworks and global best practices.
2. Develop skills in cost analytics and data-driven decision-making.
3. Learn how to identify cost optimization opportunities across business functions.
4. Apply total cost of ownership (TCO) methodologies for strategic evaluation.
5. Build effective benchmarking dashboards and performance metrics.
6. Analyze internal costs against industry standards and market intelligence.
7. Master techniques for strategic sourcing and procurement savings.
8. Apply AI-driven analytics and digital benchmarking tools.
9. Improve skills in supplier cost analysis and negotiation strategies.
10. Develop cost reduction roadmaps using continuous improvement methodologies.
11. Understand financial modeling and cost forecasting techniques.
12. Create actionable recommendations for business transformation and profitability improvement.
13. Implement global cost competitiveness strategies for sustainable growth.

Target Audience

1. Procurement Managers and Strategic Sourcing Professionals
2. Supply Chain and Operations Leaders
3. Finance Managers and Cost Analysts
4. Business Consultants and Transformation Specialists
5. Category Managers and Supplier Relationship Managers
6. Project Managers and Program Leaders
7. Manufacturing and Engineering Professionals
8. Business Owners, Entrepreneurs, and Executives

Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Cost Benchmarking & Strategic Cost Management

- Introduction to cost benchmarking principles, frameworks, and methodologies

- Understanding cost drivers, cost structures, and performance indicators
- Difference between internal, external, competitive, and functional benchmarking
- Developing a strategic approach to cost intelligence and cost transparency
- Case Study: Global manufacturing company reducing production costs through benchmarking analysis

Module 2: Cost Data Collection, Analysis & Benchmark Development

- Techniques for collecting accurate **cost data and market intelligence**
- Creating cost databases and benchmarking models
- Identifying cost gaps using advanced analytical methods
- Applying statistical analysis for cost comparison
- **Case Study:** Automotive organization using benchmarking data to optimize component costs

Module 3: Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) & Cost Modeling

- Understanding **TCO analysis** for procurement and investment decisions
- Building cost models covering acquisition, operation, and lifecycle costs
- Evaluating hidden costs and cost impact factors
- Applying financial modeling techniques for better decisions
- **Case Study:** Technology company improving supplier selection using TCO analysis

Module 4: Procurement Cost Benchmarking & Supplier Optimization

- Benchmarking supplier pricing and commercial performance
- Developing supplier scorecards and performance metrics
- Applying strategic sourcing and negotiation analytics
- Identifying supplier cost reduction opportunities
- **Case Study:** Retail organization achieving savings through supplier benchmarking

Module 5: Digital Cost Benchmarking, AI & Analytics

- Using **AI-powered analytics and digital transformation tools**
- Developing automated benchmarking dashboards
- Applying predictive analytics for cost forecasting
- Leveraging data visualization for executive reporting
- **Case Study:** Energy company using digital analytics to improve cost visibility

Module 6: Operational Excellence & Cost Optimization Strategies

- Linking benchmarking with **Lean, Six Sigma, and continuous improvement**
- Identifying process inefficiencies and cost waste
- Developing cost optimization initiatives
- Measuring savings impact and business value
- **Case Study:** Healthcare organization improving operational efficiency through benchmarking

Module 7: Industry Benchmarking Applications & Best Practices

- Understanding sector-specific benchmarking approaches
- Applying benchmarking in manufacturing, services, construction, and supply chain
- Comparing global cost structures and market trends
- Developing industry benchmarking reports
- **Case Study:** Construction company improving project cost control through benchmarking

Module 8: Cost Benchmarking Implementation & Transformation Roadmap

- Creating a cost benchmarking implementation strategy
- Building stakeholder alignment and governance models
- Managing change and adoption challenges
- Measuring ROI from benchmarking initiatives
- **Case Study:** Multinational corporation implementing enterprise-wide cost transformation

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
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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