Environmental Security and Conflict Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Environmental Management and Conservation	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

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Course Objectives

1. Analyze the complex climate-security nexus and identify its role as a risk multiplier in fragile contexts.
2. Assess the drivers of natural resource conflicts, including those related to water, land, and energy.
3. Evaluate the link between environmental degradation and human displacement, and its implications for security.
4. Formulate conflict-sensitive interventions and environmental peacebuilding strategies.
5. Conduct an integrated conflict and environmental analysis (ICEA) using an interdisciplinary approach.
6. Apply adaptive management principles to environmental and security programming.
7. Develop mechanisms for transboundary cooperation and resource governance in shared ecosystems.
8. Understand the role of gender and social inclusion in environmental security and conflict dynamics.
9. Identify and engage key stakeholders, including vulnerable populations, in participatory peacebuilding.
10. Analyze the impact of extractive industries and resource exploitation on local conflicts.
11. Design and implement post-conflict environmental recovery and restoration programs.
12. Master practical tools for disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation in conflict zones.
13. Contribute to the creation of more resilient communities and foster sustainable development.

Organizational Benefits

- Equip staff with critical skills to navigate and mitigate environmental-related risks, leading to more successful and impactful projects in complex environments.
- Proactively identify and address potential conflicts arising from environmental stressors, safeguarding personnel and organizational assets.
- Position your organization as a leader in innovative, holistic, and forward-thinking approaches to peacebuilding and sustainable development.

- Build trust and foster cooperation with local communities, governments, and partners by demonstrating a commitment to environmental justice and conflict prevention.
- Ensure projects adhere to international environmental and social safeguards, reducing legal and reputational risks.

Target Audience

1. Humanitarian and development professionals
2. Government and military personnel
3. Diplomats and foreign affairs specialists
4. NGO and civil society leaders
5. Environmental and climate activists
6. Researchers and academics in security studies
7. Corporate social responsibility (CSR) managers
8. Journalists and analysts covering environmental issues and conflict

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Module 1: The Environmental Security Nexus

- Defining environmental security and its evolution in international relations.
- The concept of environmental change as a "threat multiplier."
- Core drivers of environmental conflict: resource scarcity, degradation, and climate change impacts.
- Distinguishing between direct and indirect environmental causes of conflict.
- Case study: Analyzing the climate-related drivers of conflict in the Sahel region.

Module 2: Natural Resource Scarcity and Conflict

- Competition over vital resources: water, land, minerals, and fisheries.
- The role of resource abundance and the "resource curse" in state fragility.
- Transboundary water management and hydro-diplomacy as a tool for cooperation.
- The political economy of extractive industries and local grievances.
- Case study: Examining water conflicts in the Nile River Basin.

Module 3: Climate Change, Disasters, and Displacement

- How climate shocks and slow-onset events fuel instability.
- The link between climate change, livelihood insecurity, and forced migration.
- Disaster risk reduction (DRR) strategies in fragile and conflict-affected states.
- The role of humanitarian actors in climate-driven displacement crises.
- Case study: The impact of extreme weather events on agricultural livelihoods and conflict in South Asia.

Module 4: Integrated Conflict and Environmental Analysis (ICEA)

- Introduction to interdisciplinary analysis for complex environments.
- Mapping environmental stressors and conflict dynamics in a specific context.
- Identifying key actors, their interests, and their relationship to natural resources.
- Tools and frameworks for conducting a gender-responsive ICEA.
- Case study: Conducting an ICEA for a development project in a resource-rich, conflict-prone area.

Module 5: Environmental Peacebuilding Principles

- The theory of change: using environmental cooperation as a pathway to peace.
- Principles of conflict sensitivity and "Do No Harm" in environmental programming.
- Building joint institutions for natural resource management.
- Leveraging citizen science and environmental data for peacebuilding.
- Case study: Peace parks and transboundary conservation initiatives as tools for diplomacy.

Module 6: Governance and Institutional Frameworks

- The role of national and international law in governing shared resources.
- Strengthening local and national institutions for environmental governance.
- The importance of transparency, accountability, and anti-corruption in resource management.
- International conventions and agreements related to environmental security.
- Case study: Analyzing the effectiveness of a regional body in mediating resource conflicts.

Module 7: Post-Conflict Environmental Recovery

- Assessing the environmental impacts of armed conflict (environmental forensics).
- Prioritizing environmental cleanup and restoration in post-war contexts.
- Rebuilding resilient ecosystems and sustainable livelihoods for returning populations.
- The challenge of land tenure and property rights in environmental recovery.
- Case study: Environmental remediation and livelihood reconstruction in a war-torn region.

Module 8: Gender, Inclusion, and Environmental Security

- Understanding the differentiated impacts of environmental conflict on women, youth, and marginalized groups.
- The role of gender norms and power dynamics in shaping vulnerabilities.
- Engaging women as agents of change in environmental peacebuilding.
- Strategies for ensuring social inclusion in resource governance.
- Case study: The role of women-led initiatives in managing water resources and preventing conflict.

Module 9: Extractive Industries and Conflict

- The "paradox of plenty" and how resource extraction fuels conflict.
- Community-level impacts of mining, oil, and gas operations.
- Best practices for corporate social responsibility (CSR) in high-risk contexts.
- Developing effective grievance mechanisms and community-based monitoring.
- Case study: An environmental and human rights audit of an extractive project.

Module 10: Urbanization and Environmental Stress

- The link between rapid urbanization, resource stress, and social unrest.
- Managing urban water, waste, and air pollution in fragile cities.
- The role of climate change in exacerbating urban vulnerabilities.
- Innovative urban planning and green infrastructure for conflict prevention.
- Case study: The challenges of managing urban resources in a city with high rates of internal displacement.

Module 11: Technology and Data for Environmental Security

- Using remote sensing and satellite imagery to monitor environmental change.
- The application of GIS and geospatial data for conflict mapping.

- Harnessing social media and digital platforms for early warning systems.
- Ethical considerations and data privacy in technology-driven analysis.
- Case study: Using open-source data to track illegal logging and resource-based conflicts.

Module 12: Adaptive Management and Programming

- Principles of adaptive management for navigating uncertainty.
- Designing flexible programs that can respond to changing environmental and conflict dynamics.
- Developing monitoring, evaluation, and learning (MEL) frameworks.
- Scaling up successful environmental peacebuilding initiatives.
- Case study: Adapting a climate-smart agriculture program to a changing security landscape.

Module 13: Communication and Advocacy

- Crafting compelling narratives to raise awareness of the environmental-security nexus.
- Strategic communication for conflict-sensitive messaging.
- Building coalitions and partnerships for effective advocacy.
- Engaging policymakers and the public on environmental security issues.
- Case study: Developing a communication plan for a campaign on water security and peace.

Module 14: Climate Finance and Environmental Security

- Navigating the landscape of climate finance and its relevance to peacebuilding.
- Integrating conflict sensitivity into climate adaptation funding.
- The role of multilateral banks and private sector investment.
- Mobilizing resources for environmental peacebuilding projects.
- Case study: A proposal for a climate finance project in a conflict-affected area.

Module 15: Simulation and Action Planning

- A complex, multi-stakeholder simulation exercise on a real-world environmental conflict scenario.
- Practicing negotiation, mediation, and consensus-building skills.
- Developing a personal or organizational action plan for integrating environmental security principles.
- Peer review and feedback on proposed interventions.
- Case study: Responding to a simulated natural disaster that triggers resource-based conflict.

Training Methodology

Our training is highly interactive and experiential, employing a blend of:

- Expert-Led Lectures.
- Interactive Workshops: Group discussions and problem-solving exercises.
- Case Studies.
- Role-Playing and Simulations: Hands-on practice in a safe, controlled environment.
- Multimedia Resources.
- Peer-to-Peer Learning.
- Practical Tools and Frameworks.

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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	04 Dec 2026	Online	$2,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$9,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000

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