# Project Kickoff Workshop Facilitation Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

## Course Introduction

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## Programme Curriculum

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**Course Objectives**

1. Understand the purpose and value of project kickoff workshops in successful project delivery.
2. Identify key stakeholders, their roles, and influence on project outcomes.
3. Apply facilitation techniques to foster collaboration and consensus.
4. Design structured agendas that align with project objectives and deliverables.
5. Use participatory methods to engage diverse teams and stakeholders.
6. Apply conflict resolution and negotiation techniques during workshops.
7. Incorporate project management tools and frameworks in workshop planning.
8. Enhance team alignment through visioning, goal setting, and shared expectations.
9. Utilize visual aids, digital collaboration tools, and interactive exercises effectively.
10. Manage time, resources, and workshop dynamics efficiently.
11. Monitor and document workshop outcomes for follow-up and accountability.
12. Apply feedback and evaluation techniques to improve workshop effectiveness.
13. Develop actionable project plans and next steps from workshop outputs.

**Organizational Benefits**

- Improved project alignment across teams and stakeholders
- Enhanced clarity on project goals, roles, and responsibilities
- Increased stakeholder engagement and commitment
- Strengthened team collaboration and morale
- Reduced project risks and miscommunication
- Accelerated project initiation and early-stage decision-making
- Improved project planning and resource allocation
- Standardized workshop facilitation practices across the organization
- Enhanced reporting and follow-up mechanisms
- Greater organizational capacity for effective project delivery

**Target Audiences**

- Project managers and program coordinators
- Team leads and department managers
- Portfolio managers and project sponsors

- Business analysts and project support staff
- Organizational change managers
- Training and facilitation professionals
- Consultants and external facilitators
- Senior management involved in project governance

**Course Duration:** 10 days

**Course Modules**

**Module 1: Fundamentals of Project Kickoff Workshops**

- Define objectives, scope, and success criteria of kickoff workshops
- Identify key workshop participants and stakeholders
- Establish expectations and outcomes for workshop sessions
- Understand different types of workshops and their purposes
- Apply best practices in workshop planning and preparation
- Case Study: Planning a cross-departmental project kickoff workshop

**Module 2: Stakeholder Analysis & Engagement**

- Map stakeholders by influence, interest, and impact
- Identify key decision-makers and opinion leaders
- Develop engagement strategies for different stakeholder groups
- Use tools to assess stakeholder expectations and concerns
- Plan participatory methods to ensure inclusivity and collaboration
- Case Study: Stakeholder mapping for a national-scale project

**Module 3: Workshop Design & Agenda Setting**

- Develop structured agendas aligned with project objectives
- Allocate time for discussion, exercises, and decision-making
- Identify critical decision points and outcomes for each session
- Incorporate icebreakers, energizers, and team-building exercises
- Integrate digital tools and visual aids for clarity
- Case Study: Designing a multi-day kickoff workshop agenda

**Module 4: Facilitation Techniques for Engagement**

- Use questioning, listening, and summarizing techniques
- Apply participatory methods such as brainstorming and voting
- Handle group dynamics and encourage contributions
- Manage dominant participants and ensure inclusivity

- Facilitate consensus-building exercises and workshops
- Case Study: Facilitating a multi-team brainstorming session

**Module 5: Communication Skills & Presentation**

- Develop clear, concise, and persuasive communication strategies
- Use visual storytelling and presentation aids effectively
- Tailor messages to diverse audiences and stakeholder groups
- Apply verbal and non-verbal communication techniques
- Manage discussions and Q&A sessions confidently
- Case Study: Delivering a compelling project kickoff presentation

**Module 6: Conflict Management & Negotiation**

- Identify sources of conflict in project kickoff workshops
- Apply conflict resolution frameworks to manage disputes
- Facilitate negotiation to achieve mutually beneficial outcomes
- Use mediation techniques to align divergent perspectives
- Encourage constructive dialogue and maintain workshop momentum
- Case Study: Resolving stakeholder conflicts during a product launch workshop

**Module 7: Project Planning Tools & Techniques**

- Introduce project management frameworks (Agile, Waterfall, Hybrid)
- Integrate planning tools like Gantt charts, timelines, and RACI matrices
- Map milestones, deliverables, and dependencies during workshops
- Identify risks and mitigation strategies collaboratively
- Align workshop outputs with organizational project governance
- Case Study: Using Gantt charts to plan a regional rollout project

**Module 8: Interactive Exercises & Team Building**

- Incorporate icebreakers, energizers, and team activities
- Use scenario-based exercises to simulate project challenges
- Engage teams in collaborative problem-solving activities
- Apply gamification techniques for increased participation
- Facilitate group reflection and lessons learned discussions
- Case Study: Team-building exercises to align cross-functional teams

**Module 9: Digital Facilitation & Collaboration Tools**

- Explore tools for virtual or hybrid workshops (Zoom, Miro, Teams)
- Use shared documents, polls, and digital whiteboards effectively
- Manage remote participation and engagement
- Incorporate collaboration software for real-time decision tracking
- Evaluate digital facilitation effectiveness
- Case Study: Conducting a successful virtual project kickoff workshop

**Module 10: Monitoring Workshop Progress & Outcomes**

- Track session objectives and progress against agenda
- Capture key decisions, action items, and responsibilities
- Document discussions, outcomes, and follow-up items
- Use dashboards and reporting tools to monitor workshop outputs
- Ensure accountability and clarity for next steps
- Case Study: Monitoring and reporting outcomes of a strategic initiative kickoff

**Module 11: Feedback & Evaluation**

- Develop participant feedback mechanisms
- Conduct post-workshop evaluations to assess effectiveness
- Analyze results to identify areas for improvement
- Implement changes for future workshops
- Share lessons learned with stakeholders
- Case Study: Implementing post-kickoff feedback loops in a multi-site project

**Module 12: Risk Management in Kickoff Workshops**

- Identify potential risks during workshop facilitation
- Plan mitigation strategies for time, participation, and engagement risks
- Incorporate contingency plans for unplanned events
- Ensure alignment with organizational risk frameworks
- Apply proactive measures to prevent workshop failure
- Case Study: Managing unexpected stakeholder conflicts in a high-profile project

**Module 13: Follow-up & Action Planning**

- Translate workshop outputs into actionable project plans
- Assign responsibilities and set timelines for next steps
- Establish mechanisms for ongoing communication and accountability
- Track progress against workshop decisions
- Align follow-up plans with overall project governance
- Case Study: Action planning for multi-departmental project delivery

**Module 14: Leadership & Influence in Facilitation**

- Apply leadership principles to drive workshop effectiveness
- Influence stakeholder engagement and commitment
- Build trust and credibility during facilitation sessions
- Encourage participation through motivational techniques
- Foster ownership and accountability among project team members
- Case Study: Leading a high-stakes project kickoff with executive sponsors

**Module 15: Scaling Workshop Practices Across the Organization**

- Develop organizational standards for workshop facilitation
- Create toolkits, templates, and guides for facilitators
- Train teams and build internal facilitation capacity
- Ensure consistent application of best practices across projects
- Monitor continuous improvement of workshop processes
- Case Study: Scaling project kickoff workshops across multiple departments

**Training Methodology**

- Instructor-led presentations and demonstrations
- Hands-on facilitation exercises and simulations
- Role-playing and scenario-based learning
- Group discussions and collaborative problem-solving
- Case study analysis with practical application
- Feedback, reflection, and action plan development

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***Certification***

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**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 |
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| **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 |
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| **23 Nov 2026** | 04 Dec 2026 | Physical | $12,000 |
| **23 Nov 2026** | 04 Dec 2026 | Physical | $9,000 |
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