Training course on Climate Resilience and Adaptation in Real Estate Development

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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sound projects that withstand future climate shocks, and manage high-performing, climate-proof real estate portfolios, fostering unparalleled financial resilience, environmental stewardship, and securing their position as indispensable leaders in driving the necessary transformation towards a climate-resilient built environment globally, with a keen understanding of local applicability.

Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. **Analyze core principles and strategic responsibilities** of **climate resilience and adaptation in real estate development**.
2. **Master sophisticated techniques** for **identifying and assessing physical and transition climate risks** impacting real estate assets.
3. **Develop nuanced strategies** for **integrating climate resilience into site selection and master planning**.
4. **Implement effective adaptive design principles and building codes** for future-proofing real estate.
5. **Manage complex financial modeling and economic analysis** to quantify the costs and benefits of climate adaptation in real estate.
6. **Apply robust strategies** for **sourcing and structuring climate finance** for resilient real estate projects.
7. **Understand the deep integration of green building certifications and sustainable materials** for enhanced climate performance.
8. **Leverage knowledge of nature-based solutions and ecosystem services** for real estate resilience.[5]
9. **Optimize strategies for operational resilience and emergency preparedness** in existing buildings.
10. **Formulate specialized risk mitigation plans** for diverse climate hazards (e.g., floods, heatwaves, droughts).
11. **Conduct advanced stakeholder engagement and communication strategies** for climate-resilient development.
12. **Navigate challenging situations** such as **policy uncertainty, data gaps, and overcoming upfront investment barriers**.
13. **Develop a holistic, proactive, and strategically adaptive approach** to **climate resilience and adaptation in real estate development globally, with an emphasis on local context and policy in regions like Kenya**.

Target Audience

This course is designed for professionals involved in Climate Resilience and Adaptation in Real Estate Development:

1. **Real Estate Developers and Investors:** Seeking to future-proof portfolios and capitalize on resilient development.
2. **Urban Planners and Architects:** Designing climate-resilient cities and buildings.
3. **Asset and Property Managers:** Responsible for operating and maintaining existing real estate in a changing climate.
4. **Government Officials and Policymakers:** Developing and enforcing climate adaptation policies in the built environment.
5. **Financial Institutions and Lenders:** Assessing climate risks in their real estate lending portfolios and developing green finance products.
6. **Insurance Professionals:** Underwriting and managing risks related to climate change in real estate.
7. **Engineers and Construction Professionals:** Implementing resilient building practices and materials.
8. **Corporate Sustainability Officers:** Integrating climate resilience into corporate real estate strategies.

Course Duration: 5 Days

Course Modules

- **Module 1: Understanding Climate Change & Its Impacts on Real Estate**
    - **Climate Science Fundamentals**: global warming, extreme weather, sea-level rise, temperature shifts, precipitation changes.[6]

    - **Physical Climate Risks**: floods, droughts, heatwaves, wildfires, storms, coastal erosion.[7]
    - **Transition Risks**: policy changes (carbon pricing), technological shifts, market demand for green/resilient properties.[8]
    - **Economic and Social Impacts**: property devaluation, increased insurance costs, supply chain disruptions, displacement, health impacts.[9]
    - **Case Study:** Analyzing how climate change specifically impacts coastal properties and urban centers in Kenya (e.g., Mombasa, Nairobi) and the associated financial risks.
- **Module 2: Climate Risk Assessment & Vulnerability Analysis for Real Estate**
    - **Methodologies for Climate Risk Assessment**: qualitative vs. quantitative approaches, scenario analysis, risk mapping.
    - **Vulnerability Assessment**: identifying exposed assets, sensitivity to climate hazards, adaptive capacity.[10]
    - **Tools and Data**: climate models, geographic information systems (GIS), proprietary risk platforms.
    - **Integration into Due Diligence**: pre-acquisition screening, portfolio-level risk assessment.
    - **Case Study:** Conducting a climate vulnerability assessment for a proposed large-scale real estate development in a flood-prone area, identifying key risks and potential impacts.
- **Module 3: Adaptive Design & Resilient Building Strategies**
    - **Passive Design for Resilience**: natural ventilation, shading, orientation for thermal comfort.[11]
    - **Building Envelope & Materials**: high-performance insulation, moisture management, durable materials, local climate-appropriate choices.
    - **Water Management**: rainwater harvesting, greywater recycling, floodproofing, permeable surfaces.
    - **Energy Resilience**: on-site renewable energy (solar PV), battery storage, microgrids.
    - **Case Study:** Reviewing architectural designs for a multi-family residential complex in a hot, arid climate, focusing on its adaptive design features for heat and water scarcity.
- **Module 4: Nature-Based Solutions & Ecosystem Integration**
    - **Introduction to Nature-Based Solutions (NBS)**: green infrastructure, permeable paving, green roofs/walls, urban forests, wetlands.
    - **Benefits of NBS**: stormwater management, urban heat island effect mitigation, biodiversity, air quality, social well-being.[12]
    - **Integrating NBS into Real Estate Development**: planning, design, and implementation considerations.
    - **Ecosystem Services Valuation**: quantifying the benefits of natural systems in urban areas.
    - **Case Study:** Exploring an urban development project that successfully integrated a significant nature-based solution (e.g., a restored wetland or extensive green spaces) for climate resilience.
- **Module 5: Climate Finance & Investment in Resilient Real Estate**
    - **Sources of Climate Finance**: green bonds, sustainability-linked loans, impact investment funds, multilateral development banks.
    - **Financial Benefits of Resilience**: lower insurance premiums, increased asset value ("resilience premium"), reduced operational costs, enhanced marketability.[13]
    - **Cost-Benefit Analysis of Adaptation Measures**: calculating ROI for resilience investments.
    - **Incentives and Subsidies**: government programs, tax breaks for resilient development.
    - **Case Study:** Analyzing a real-world financial model for a climate-resilient building, demonstrating the long-term financial advantages and access to specialized funding.
- **Module 6: Policy, Governance & Regulatory Frameworks**
    - **International Agreements & National Policies**: Paris Agreement, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), National Adaptation Plans (NAPs).

    - **Local & Regional Regulations**: building codes, zoning ordinances, climate action plans (e.g., Kenya's Climate Change Act, NCCAP, and County Climate Change Funds).
    - **Role of Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs)** in driving resilience.[14]
    - **Climate Disclosure & Reporting**: TCFD, GRESB, voluntary and mandatory reporting.
    - **Case Study:** Examining a city's climate adaptation plan and how it influences real estate development requirements and opportunities.
- **Module 7: Operational Resilience & Disaster Preparedness**
    - **Business Continuity Planning (BCP)** for real estate assets in a changing climate.
    - **Emergency Response & Recovery Strategies**: tenant communication, post-disaster assessments.
    - **Smart Building Technologies for Resilience**: real-time monitoring, predictive analytics for weather events, automated responses.
    - **Insurance Strategies**: understanding climate risk insurance, parametric insurance, risk transfer mechanisms.
    - **Case Study:** Developing an operational resilience plan for a commercial building exposed to recurrent extreme weather events, including smart technology integration.
- **Module 8: Future Trends, Innovation & Case Studies from Africa**
    - **Emerging Technologies**: AI for climate modeling, IoT sensors, advanced materials, modular construction for rapid deployment.
    - **Climate Equity & Justice**: ensuring resilience benefits all communities, addressing vulnerable populations.
    - **Regenerative Real Estate**: beyond net-zero, focusing on positive environmental and social impact.[15]
    - **African Contextualization**: specific climate risks (e.g., desertification, coastal erosion in Kenya), indigenous knowledge, local innovation in resilience.
    - **Case Study:** Discussing successful climate resilience projects in African cities (e.g., a flood-resilient housing project or a green infrastructure initiative in a specific Kenyan urban area) and transferable lessons.

Training Methodology

- **Interactive Workshops:** Facilitated discussions, group exercises, and problem-solving activities.
- **Case Studies:** Real-world examples to illustrate successful community-based surveillance practices.
- **Role-Playing and Simulations:** Practice engaging communities in surveillance activities.
- **Expert Presentations:** Insights from experienced public health professionals and community leaders.
- **Group Projects:** Collaborative development of community surveillance plans.
- **Action Planning:** Development of personalized action plans for implementing community-based surveillance.
- **Digital Tools and Resources:** Utilization of online platforms for collaboration and learning.
- **Peer-to-Peer Learning:** Sharing experiences and insights on community engagement.
- **Post-Training Support:** Access to online forums, mentorship, and continued learning resources.

Register a

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
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