Training Course on Fisheries Management

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the fundamental principles of **fisheries science** and **aquatic ecology**.
2. Analyze the impacts of **overfishing** and **destructive fishing practices** on marine and freshwater ecosystems.
3. Master various **stock assessment techniques** for evaluating fish population dynamics.
4. Develop skills in designing and implementing effective **fisheries regulations** and **management measures**.
5. Learn about **ecosystem-based fisheries management (EBFM)** and its practical applications.
6. Explore the role of **aquaculture** in supplementing wild fish stocks and promoting sustainable seafood production.
7. Understand the socio-economic aspects of fisheries and the importance of **community participation**.
8. Gain knowledge of **international fisheries law** and the governance of shared fish stocks.
9. Develop strategies for mitigating the impacts of **climate change** on fisheries resources.
10. Learn about the application of **geographic information systems (GIS)** in fisheries management.
11. Understand the principles of **fisheries monitoring, control, and surveillance (MCS)**.
12. Explore methods for promoting **sustainable seafood consumption** and reducing seafood fraud.
13. Develop skills in **stakeholder engagement** and conflict resolution in fisheries management contexts.

Organizational Benefits

- Enhanced capacity of staff to implement sustainable fisheries management practices.
- Improved compliance with national and international fisheries regulations.
- Better understanding of ecosystem dynamics leading to more effective conservation efforts.
- Increased ability to contribute to food security and sustainable livelihoods.
- Strengthened collaboration with fishing communities and other stakeholders.
- Improved data collection and analysis for informed decision-making.
- Enhanced organizational reputation through commitment to sustainability.
- Development of innovative solutions for addressing fisheries challenges.

Target Participants

1. Fisheries officers and managers
2. Marine and aquatic resource scientists
3. Conservation professionals
4. Policy makers and government officials involved in fisheries
5. Representatives from fishing communities and organizations
6. Aquaculture farmers and managers
7. Researchers and academics in related fields
8. Individuals working in seafood industries and trade

Course Outline

Module 1: Introduction to Fisheries and Aquatic Ecosystems

- Overview of global fisheries and their importance.
- Key concepts in aquatic ecology and biodiversity.
- Different types of aquatic ecosystems: marine, freshwater, and brackish.
- The role of fisheries in food security and livelihoods.
- Introduction to the challenges facing global fisheries.

Module 2: Principles of Fisheries Science

- Fish biology, life cycles, and population dynamics.
- Understanding growth, recruitment, and mortality rates.
- Concepts of maximum sustainable yield (MSY) and other reference points.
- Factors influencing fish stock abundance and distribution.
- Introduction to different fishing gears and their impacts.

Module 3: Stock Assessment Methodologies

- Data collection techniques for fisheries assessment.
- Catch per unit effort (CPUE) analysis and interpretation.
- Age and growth determination of fish populations.
- Introduction to statistical models used in stock assessment.
- Uncertainty and risk assessment in fisheries management.

Module 4: Fisheries Regulations and Management Measures

- Different types of fisheries management tools and techniques.
- Spatial and temporal closures, size limits, and gear restrictions.
- Quota management systems and their implementation.
- The role of monitoring, control, and surveillance (MCS).
- Community-based fisheries management approaches.

Module 5: Ecosystem-Based Fisheries Management (EBFM)

- Principles and objectives of EBFM.
- Understanding trophic interactions and food web dynamics.
- Managing fisheries impacts on non-target species and habitats.
- Integrating ecological considerations into management plans.
- Case studies of successful EBFM implementation.

Module 6: Aquaculture and Sustainable Seafood Production

- Overview of different aquaculture systems and practices.

- Environmental impacts and sustainability considerations in aquaculture.
- Integrated multi-trophic aquaculture (IMTA) and other innovative approaches.
- The role of aquaculture in meeting global seafood demand.
- Certification schemes and sustainable seafood labeling.

Module 7: Socio-Economic Aspects of Fisheries

- The economic importance of fisheries and related industries.
- Social and cultural dimensions of fishing communities.
- Poverty and food security issues in fisheries-dependent areas.
- Stakeholder engagement and participatory management processes.
- Conflict resolution in fisheries management.

Module 8: Current Issues and Future Challenges in Fisheries

- Impacts of climate change on aquatic ecosystems and fisheries.
- Illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing.
- Marine pollution and its effects on fish stocks.
- The role of technology and innovation in fisheries management.
- Future directions for sustainable fisheries and conservation.

Training Methodology

This course will employ a blended learning approach, combining:

- **Interactive lectures** and presentations by experienced fisheries experts.
- **Case studies** and real-world examples of fisheries management challenges and successes.
- **Group discussions** and collaborative problem-solving exercises.
- **Practical exercises** on data analysis and management planning.
- **Field visits** (if feasible) to fishing communities or aquaculture facilities.
- **Use of online resources** and learning platforms for supplementary materials and discussions.

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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