Valuing Ecosystem Services Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the concept of ecosystem services and their role in sustainable development.
2. Apply economic valuation techniques to assess ecosystem services.
3. Explore natural capital accounting for policy and investment decision-making.
4. Evaluate cost-benefit analysis in environmental project planning.
5. Integrate biodiversity conservation strategies with ecosystem valuation.
6. Identify policy instruments for sustainable ecosystem management.
7. Strengthen capacity for climate adaptation through ecosystem-based approaches.
8. Develop skills in environmental impact assessment with ecosystem service valuation.
9. Explore innovative financing mechanisms for natural resource conservation.
10. Learn practical tools for stakeholder engagement in ecosystem valuation.
11. Assess case studies on forest, marine, and freshwater ecosystem services.
12. Link valuation outcomes to sustainable agriculture and food security.
13. Enhance decision-making processes using ecosystem service indicators.

Organizational Benefits

1. Improved capacity to integrate ecosystem services into strategic planning.
2. Enhanced stakeholder engagement for sustainable resource management.
3. Access to global best practices and innovative valuation methodologies.
4. Strengthened compliance with environmental governance and policy frameworks.
5. Increased competitiveness through sustainability-driven decision-making.
6. Reduced operational risks by incorporating natural capital into planning.
7. Greater organizational resilience to climate and ecological risks.
8. Enhanced reputation for corporate social responsibility.
9. Improved collaboration with governments, NGOs, and communities.
10. Contribution to sustainable development goals and biodiversity targets.

Target Audiences

1. Environmental policymakers
2. Conservation practitioners
3. Sustainability managers
4. Natural resource economists
5. Development planners
6. Corporate social responsibility officers
7. Researchers and academicians
8. NGO project managers

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Ecosystem Services

- Understanding provisioning, regulating, supporting, and cultural services
- Global importance of ecosystems in sustainable development
- Frameworks for ecosystem service classification
- Challenges in ecosystem valuation
- Case study: Valuing wetlands in Kenya
- Summary and reflections

Module 2: Economic Valuation Techniques

- Market-based valuation methods
- Non-market valuation approaches
- Contingent valuation and choice modeling
- Cost-benefit analysis in ecosystem projects
- Case study: Forest valuation in Latin America
- Summary and reflections

Module 3: Natural Capital Accounting

- Concepts of natural capital and resource flows
- Tools for ecosystem accounting
- Policy integration of natural capital accounts
- International standards and frameworks
- Case study: National accounts in Costa Rica
- Summary and reflections

Module 4: Ecosystem Services and Policy Integration

- Linking ecosystem valuation to public policy
- Instruments for sustainable governance
- Ecosystem services in climate policy frameworks
- Mainstreaming valuation into national strategies
- Case study: Payment for ecosystem services in Vietnam
- Summary and reflections

Module 5: Biodiversity Conservation and Ecosystem Valuation

- Role of biodiversity in ecosystem functioning
- Methods for valuing biodiversity services
- Linking conservation and economic development
- Financing biodiversity through ecosystem valuation
- Case study: Coral reef protection in the Philippines
- Summary and reflections

Module 6: Climate Change and Ecosystem-Based Adaptation

- Ecosystem services in climate resilience

- Valuation approaches for climate adaptation projects
- Nature-based solutions in climate mitigation
- Integration into national adaptation plans
- Case study: Mangrove restoration in Bangladesh
- Summary and reflections

Module 7: Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Valuation

- Role of valuation in EIA processes
- Tools for assessing ecological trade-offs
- Integration of ecosystem services into project approval
- Limitations and opportunities in EIA
- Case study: Hydropower development in Africa
- Summary and reflections

Module 8: Case Studies and Practical Applications

- Global best practices in ecosystem valuation
- Regional success stories in ecosystem service integration
- Lessons learned from developing countries
- Tools for replicating successful models
- Case study: Agroforestry and ecosystem services in India
- Summary and reflections

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and expert presentations
- Group discussions and peer-to-peer learning
- Hands-on exercises using real-world data
- Role plays and scenario-based simulations
- Field-based case study analysis
- Action planning sessions for practical application

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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