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Course: Workshop Sustainable Cities

Code	City	hotel	Start	End	price	Language - Hours
CV-726SA	Riyadh	Hotel Meeting Room	2026-12-20	2026-12-24	12950 SR	En - 25

About this Workshop

Did you know that experts estimate an additional three billion people will live in cities by 2050? What will the impact be on the current world population – half of which currently lives in cities and contributes to about three-fourths of global economic output? The opportunities are vast – but so, too, are the potential issues.
In Sustainable Cities, you will learn about the major challenges currently faced by urban areas around the world – including poverty, unemployment, poor housing infrastructure, and constraints on productivity – and the extraordinary potential of these areas to enable change in the future. From infrastructure to culture to economic opportunity, learn how harnessing the power of urban development for global progress is imperative.
This Workshop examines how urban sustainability can be delivered with increasing productivity and reduced inequality; provision of universal basic services and infrastructure; protection of the urban environments; and other solutions and investments, both speculative and in action around the world.
You will emerge from this Workshop understanding how governments, private stakeholders and other actors can improve urban development to heed the call of Sustainable Development Goal 11 – “making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable by 2030.

This Workshop is for:

- Anyone interested in the concept of sustainable cities – including those interested in the development of their own local community – who wants to understand the foundations of modern urban development
- Graduate students and advanced undergraduate students in architecture, real

estate development, sustainable development, sustainable business, international development, public policy, and other related fields
- Sustainable development practitioners interested in the elements of sustainability that impact urban areas worldwide
- Private-sector actors, such as those who work in real estate development, technology, telecommunications, transportation, or energy – whose work can contribute to and redefine urban areas

What you`ll learn

- An overview of governance, land management, utilities, and other entities that make up urban systems
- Understanding how poverty, health, economic opportunity, and other people-focused issues impact urban systems and development
- How technology is shaping transportation, energy, urban resilience, and more

Workshop Syllabus

Module 1: The urban opportunity

- The urban opportunity
- Cities: cultural and social transformation
- Challenge of urban politics, planning and governance
- Urban research methods
- Urban theory and history

Module 2: What makes a city function?

- Understanding urban systems
- Municipal, regional and national governance
- Urban utilities
- Urban public finance and taxation

- Law, order and conflict
- Land management and planning
- Lessons from London and Mumbai

Module 3: How can we reduce urban poverty and make cities inclusive and safe?

- What is urban poverty?
- Measuring urban poverty
- Poverty reduction in cities
- Affordable and adequate housing
- Who can deliver the housing we need?
- Safety and violence
- Urban vulnerabilities

Module 4: Making cities productive and reduce inequality

- City production and consumption
- Women in the informal economy
- Migration, mobility and the urban-rural continuum
- Wealth and inequality
- Case: SEWA, India
- Migration and the refugee crisis

Module 5: Improving human development in cities

- Addressing the challenges of urban public health
- Solutions for improving urban health
- Education and skills
- Higher education in cities
- Gender in the city
- Human rights and justice
- Law and equality

- Apartheid in South African cities

Module 6: Providing universal urban services and infrastructure

- Sustainable environmental services and infrastructure
- Sustainable transport planning
- ICT
- Sustainable urban energy systems
- Sustainable transport: Bangkok

Module 7: How can cities be resilient?

- Air, water, food and natural resources
- Urban ag for sustainable cities
- City risk exposure
- Climate impacts, adaptation and mitigation
- Building urban resilience
- Environmental planning and the politics of change
- Sustainable environmental practices: Durban
- Urban disaster risk management
- Post-disaster recovery

Module 8: Governing sustainable cities

- SDGs and other global processes
- New institutions and governance
- Public participation and democracy
- Financing sustainable development
- Measuring and monitoring the SDGs
- Opportunities of secondary cities

Module 9: Implementing change

- Making cities more sustainable

- United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) and urban sustainability
- Urban innovation: community-based organizations and civil society (the case of SDI)
- UN-Habitat and international development and financing agencies
- Implementing urban sustainability
- International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) and urban sustainability
- Local leadership: a case study of Melbourne
- International climate action: A case of Chinese cities

The Scandinavian Academy for Training Center adopts the latest scientific and professional methodologies in training and human resource development, aiming to enhance the efficiency of individuals and organizations. Training programs are delivered through a comprehensive approach that includes:

- Theoretical lectures supported by PowerPoint presentations and visual materials (videos and short films).
- Scientific evaluation of participants before and after the program to measure progress and knowledge acquisition.
- Brainstorming sessions and practical role-playing to simulate real-life scenarios.
- Case studies tailored to align with the training content and participants work nature.
- Assessment tests conducted at the end of the program to evaluate the achievement of training objectives.

Each participant receives the training material (both theoretical and practical) in printed form and saved on a CD or flash drive. Detailed reports, including attendance records, final results, and overall program evaluations, are also provided.

Training materials are prepared professionally by a team of experts and specialists in various fields. At the end of the program, participants are awarded a professional attendance certificate, signed and accredited by the Scandinavian Academy for Training Center.

Program Timings: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

The program includes:

- A daily buffet provided during the sessions to ensure participants comfort.
- A closing ceremony on the final day to distribute certificates and celebrate participants achievements.
- **Note: All prices are exclusive of 15% Value Added Tax (VAT).**

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