

## APMP Qualification

### Course Objectives

APMP is a knowledge based qualification. Successful candidates go on to use the knowledge gained to work more effectively on both large and small projects. APMP is internationally recognised in many industry sectors as the basis for a complete understanding of project management.

### Delegate Profile

APMP is aimed at project managers and aspiring project managers who wish to demonstrate their acquired knowledge. The APM Introductory Certificate is not a pre-requisite.

A PRINCE2 Foundation or Practitioner qualification is compatible with taking the APMP qualification. APMP gives a broad grounding in project management upon which PRINCE2 can sit as an immediately applicable and practical project management method.

### Topics Covered

APMP covers 37 knowledge areas from the APM Body of Knowledge (APMBoK).

The following will be covered:

- Project management in context
- Planning & strategy
- Executing the strategy
- Techniques
- Business and commercial
- Organisation and governance
- People and profession

### Trainer Profile

All trainers delivering AFA's APM courses hold the APM Practitioner qualification as well as being experienced project management professionals. The use of hybrid trainer-managers is of great benefit to delegates and ensures that illustrations and anecdotes have up-to-date validity and that the training given, whilst being true to the syllabus, is also pragmatic.

### Duration

This course lasts five days with the exam (a three-hour written essay-based paper) taken a fortnight later.

### Location

Courses take place in either London or Cambridge approximately every two months usually on a Wednesday & Thursday. Venues are chosen for their modern equipment and ease of access from major road, rail and air routes.

### Cost

The cost of attending this non-residential event is £1650+VAT including exam fee.

## Course Arrangements

Included in the cost of the course are:

- Joining instructions and pre-course preparation pack
- Association for Project Management publication 'APM Body of Knowledge'
- Printed course material
- Examination fees
- Daytime refreshments

Joining instructions are sent to delegates approximately 2 – 3 weeks before the course start date. It is essential that the pre-course preparation is completed.

## Why AFA?

AFA was established fifteen years ago as a management consultancy organisation. In 1996 AFA became one of the original group of PRINCE2<sup>®</sup> Accredited Training Organisations under the scheme administered by APM Group on behalf of the Office of Government Commerce. AFA quickly established a reputation for being able to deliver training courses that combine excellent exam pass rates with realistic and practical guidance ensuring maximum skills transfer.

AFA continues to specialise in the Best Practice methods, becoming accredited at the earliest possible opportunity to deliver training in:

- MSP<sup>™</sup> programme management
- M\_o\_R<sup>®</sup> risk management, and
- P3O<sup>®</sup> portfolio, programme and project support offices

More recently, five further training strands have been added to the AFA offering:

- Project management qualifications regulated by the Association for Project Management
  1. APM Introductory Certificate
  2. APMP Qualification
- Change Management – accredited by the APM Group
- Benefits Management – developed from experience of MSP training & implementation
- ITIL<sup>®</sup> Service Management – accredited by ISEB
- Portfolio Management – helping you to deliver the right projects and programmes

We believe that this unique combination of expertise allows us to help organisations to maximise the benefits of their change initiatives.

AFA's ethos is to work with client organisations, retaining existing robust processes and further developing them in line with current guidance. Training events are often tailored to suit the existing level of understanding within an organisation; a pathway of progression can be offered to allow understanding and skills to develop and grow.