







## **Executive Certificate in** Finance for HR Professionals

This course is tailored specifically for middle and senior HR management staff, equipping them with essential finance knowledge and skills to handle daily tasks and ad hoc projects.

Through interactive lectures and real-life case studies, participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of key financial concepts including budgeting, financial planning, and ESG reporting, and how to apply them in their roles. The course will also emphasise the importance of collaboration and communication between HR and finance departments, highlighting the significant impact that finance knowledge can have on HR decision-making and overall organisational success.

## **Learning Outcomes**

- Understand the basics of finance and accounting terminology
- Analyse financial statements and make informed decisions based on financial data
- Gain insights on overcoming ESG-related challenges
- Manage budgets and financial planning for HR projects
- Communicate and collaborate effectively with finance teams

#### Trainer

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31 March 2025 (Monday), 9:30am – 5:30pm CPD hours: 7



**Cantonese (with English materials)** 



#### **HKIHRM**

Units 1810-15, 18/F, Millennium City 2, 378 Kwun Tong Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon (3-minute walk from Ngau Tau Kok MTR station exit A)



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To qualify for the course certificate, participants are required to fulfil **ALL** of the requirements below:

- Attend 100% of the workshop
- Complete in-class exercises and achieve a PASS mark in the post-workshop quiz





## 1. Introduction to Finance and Accounting for HR Professionals

This theme will provide HR professionals with a strong foundation in finance and accounting, allowing them to better understand the financial aspects of their role. With this knowledge, they will be able to effectively analyse financial statements and identify key financial indicators that impact their decisions.

- Definition and importance of finance in business
- Key financial terms and accounting concepts
- Basic financial statements and their components
- Case study: Analysing financial statements and identifying key financial indicators
- Importance of finance knowledge for HR professionals in understanding and utilising financial data

## 2. Financial Analysis and Decision Making

By learning techniques for analysing financial data and interpreting financial ratios, HR professionals will be able to make informed decisions based on financial data. This will help them understand the financial implications of their decisions and make sound choices for their projects.

- Techniques for analysing financial data
- Interpreting financial ratios and their implications
- Cost-benefit analysis and decision making
- Case study: Making financial decisions based on data analysis
- The impact of finance knowledge on HR professionals in making informed decisions

# 3. Integrating ESG into HR Strategy - Aligning Human Capital with Financial Reporting

This theme explores the growing importance of ESG factors in financial reporting and their impact on HR's role. Participants will gain an understanding of how ESG frameworks, particularly in Hong Kong, influence corporate valuations and investor decisions.

- ESG reporting and its relevance to HR
- How ESG factors affect HR's role in financial reporting
- Case study: ESG reporting
- Practical steps for HR professionals to integrate ESG into financial reporting

## 4. Budgeting, Financial Planning, and Collaboration with Finance Teams

Budgeting is a crucial aspect of HR projects, and this theme will equip HR professionals with the skills to create and manage budgets effectively. They will also learn how to forecast and mitigate financial risks, ensuring that their projects stay within budget. With a solid understanding of finance, HR professionals will be better equipped to work with finance teams and resolve any financial issues that may arise.

- The budgeting process and its importance
- Creating and managing budgets for HR projects
- Forecasting and managing financial risks
- Effective communication and collaboration with finance teams
- Case study: Preparing a budget for a new HR initiative
- The significance of finance knowledge for HR professionals in budgeting and managing financial risks