

APMG-International PPS™ (Programme & Project Sponsorship) Foundation Online

The professional Programme and Project Sponsorship (PPS) certification has been developed specifically for Senior Responsible Owners (SROs) and Sponsors or Executives of programmes and projects. It is based on Best Management Practice guidance such as PRINCE2® and MSP® and combines leadership ability with PPM skills.

The implementation of new strategies and initiatives will typically be delivered by targeted programmes and/or projects. Such programmes and projects require a leader and champion to Sponsor and take accountability for successful delivery. This programme has been developed to provide a clear understanding of what is required in the key role of Programme or Project Sponsor. It addresses the key questions not only of 'What should I be doing?' but also 'What is an appropriate level of my involvement?' and 'What should others be doing for me?'

BENEFITS

For Individuals:

- ✓ Demonstrate an understanding of the tools and leadership skills required to successfully lead projects and programmes to completion
- ✓ Obtain certified evidence of commitment to continual professional development and the role of PPM sponsor
- ✓ Focus on key processes and documentation to ensure a sound basis for the business requirement
- ✓ Plan appropriate communications and provide clear direction to teams involved
- ✓ Influence senior stakeholders who are needed to support the objectives and ensure effective engagement through projects and programmes

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For Organizations:

- ✓ Establish a vision and strategy and make sure plans are in place to implement these
- ✓ Identify and secure the necessary expertise needed to deliver projects and programmes
- ✓ Provide visionary leadership to champion projects and programmes and build a learning culture in order to improve the skills of your staff
- ✓ Anticipate reactions to change and offer an appropriate response, while effectively embedding project and programme outputs into business-as-usual
- ✓ Demonstrate to clients an on-going commitment to excellence in the delivery of projects and programmes

COURSE DURATION

- ✓ Approximately 8 hours

EXAMINATION FORMAT

- ✓ 65 Questions
- ✓ Required Pass Rate: 65%
- ✓ Objective Testing
- ✓ Closed Book
- ✓ 90 Minute Time Limit

PREREQUISITES

Although this course is not prescriptive, it is assumed that delegates attending are familiar with Programme and Project Management and related frameworks.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This course has been designed for anyone who is sponsoring or is about to become the sponsor of and accountable for, a Change Programme or Project and is applicable to any individual or organization wishing to ensure that their business change leaders have a comprehensive understanding of their roles and responsibilities. It would be particularly relevant to:

- ✓ Senior Responsible Owners
- ✓ Project Sponsors
- ✓ Project Executives
- ✓ Programme Directors
- ✓ Departmental Directors

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- ✓ 12 months online access to our accredited PPS Foundation course
- ✓ Full tutor support, plus many additional materials to help put PPS into practice

GET CERTIFIED

- ✓ Purchase the PPS Foundation Exam and get certified. Valid for 12 months from purchase date, the exam can be taken online. The exam is purchased separately from the course.

CONTENT

This course consists of four complementary modules:

Module 1 – The Role of the Sponsor

- ✓ What should we do?
- ✓ Why are we doing it?
- ✓ What do I need?
- ✓ What will stop me?

Module 2 – Working with People

- ✓ Who and how?
- ✓ Identifying and overcoming resistance
- ✓ Communication and rapport
- ✓ Building the right team

Module 3 – Identifying & Establishing a Programme/Project

- ✓ The Environment
- ✓ What is the Target?
- ✓ How can I be sure we can deliver

Module 4 – The Delivery Journey

- ✓ Staying in control
- ✓ Is it good practice or not?
- ✓ Am I being told all I should?