

Managerial Megatrends and Financial Control

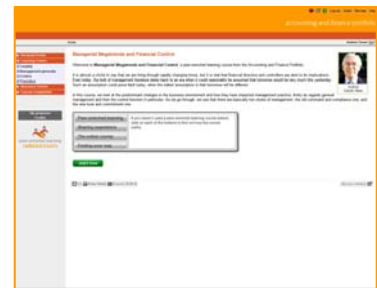
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It is almost a cliché to say that we are living through rapidly changing times, but it is vital that financial directors and controllers are alert to its implications. This course takes the learner through the predominant changes in the business environment and how they have impacted management practice. The course looks at both general management and then the control function. It takes the learner through a range of scenarios which help them think about how they and their organisation can respond to today's challenging environment.

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Managerial Megatrends and Financial Control enables the learner to:

- Understand the origins of volatility and its impact on management
- Appreciate the importance of the growing emphasis on strategy
- Develop a forward looking, outward looking and dynamic financial management model
- Understand the transition from old models to new, and think about how their business can adapt



Topics

Volatility

- Dealing with developments
- Pension problems
- Stakeholders and sustainability
- Market research

Management generally

- Accounting weakness
- A capital idea
- Finance appreciation
- As and when
- Equality control

Control

- Deming's way
- Chairman management
- Synthesizing up
- Changing the system

Transition

- An acquired accountant's approach
- Total quality management

Target audience

This course is designed to appeal to all professionals, both in the finance function and other areas, who want to embrace new ideas, theories and ways of working.

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