Indigenous Peoples' Rights and Projects

e-learning programme





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The purpose of this course is to provide an introduction to Indigenous Peoples' rights in the context of projects taking place in or near the lands and waters they use or have traditionally occupied.

The 10 sessions will take participants on a journey of understanding and developing respect for Indigenous Peoples' rights, while enabling access to methods, tools and mechanisms to be used in the workplace.

6 week
online
self-paced
course

10 sessions, 10 topics to discover

3 online synchronous sessions with tutors

A total of 35-hours of effort

Downloadable course materials



Each session covers a specific topic about Indigenous Peoples' Rights and Projects.

All modules include interviews with and contributions from practitioners with deep expertise in the field to explain key concepts and share their experiences and views.

Module 1

Who are Indigenous Peoples?

Module 2

International Standards on Indigenous Rights

Module 3

Indigenous Rights in National Contexts

Module 4

Consultation and FPIC

Module 5

Impact-Benefit Agreements

Module 6

Traditional Knowledge Systems & Benefit Sharing

Module 7

ESIAs for Projects on Indigenous Lands and Waters

Module 8

Indigenous Cultural Heritage Impacts

Module 9

Health Impacts

Module 10

Indigenous Defenders

Course Coordinators



Dr Sérgio MoreiraCourse Coordinator

Sérgio Moreira is CIG Learning Manager and a psychologist with extensive experience in applying Social Psychology to improve Social Performance and Project-Community relations. He has worked in diverse development projects, spanning the energy production, transportation, and extractive industries, codeveloped CIG's SPGrow competency development suite, and has extensive experience in teaching and training executives.



Francesco Mazzei
Course Tutor

Francesco is a Canadian based social performance and sustainability specialist with over a decade of experience supporting the development and implementation of social and health impact assessments and social impact management plans for Indigenous and non-Indigenous governments, communities and other stakeholders. He is a consultant and business development coordinator at CIG and serves as a Board member for the IAIA.



Dr Kathryn TomlinsonCourse Tutor

Kathryn is an experienced professional in the field of social and human rights impact management. Kathryn has a particular expertise in projects dealing with the intersection between Indigenous and customary land rights, and private and public sector development, including impact management and benefit agreements between companies and communities.

Course Structure

WEEK 1

Sessions 1 to 2 available
Welcome session

WEEK 2

Sessions 3 to 4 available

Sessions 5 to 6 available

1st Tutorial

WEEK 4

Sessions 7 to 8 available

WEEK 5

Sessions 9 to 10 available

2nd Tutorial

WEEK 6

Final assignment

The course is aimed at an international audience of social performance and sustainability practitioners and people involved in the governance of projects from public and private institutions.

To obtain a participation certificate, course completion of 70% is required. For a course completion certificate, 100% is required together with the submission of a short written reflection at the end of the course.

Getting Started

- Class size is limited, so you are encouraged to apply early
- Criteria for attendance include:
 - 1) Bachelor's degree in any field (or any graduate or post-graduate degree)
 - Minimum of 2 years professional experience in infrastructure, energy, mining or oil and gas project development
- A limited number of exceptional candidates without a Bachelor's degree may be declared eligible by the course leaders on the basis of their professional experience
- Course fee £600 per student

For application for a place on the course, please register your interest with Community Insights Group here https://www.communityinsights.eu/upcoming-courses/

Application deadline:

3 March 2025

Course start:

17 March 2025

Welcome session

17 March 2025

16:00 GMT

Tutorial 1

2 April 2025

16:00 GMT

Tutorial 2

23 April 2025

16:00 GMT

Course end

25 April 2025