



GRI standards certified training

**Guiding you in your
sustainability journey**



Sustainability and corporate responsibility

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Key learning benefits:



Learn about the latest **GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards**, which are **mandatory** for companies reporting on GRI's sustainability framework from **2018**



Develop sustainability report content as per GRI's reporting framework criteria



Establish how to link sustainability reports to various global reporting disclosures

UAE Vision 2021

As a leader of the green revolution, UAE is conscious of its responsibility to safeguard nature and mitigate the effects of climate change on its habitat and ecosystems in order to ensure that future generations inherit an environmentally sustainable world.

Sustainability Reporting

Sustainability is a business approach to create long-term stakeholder value by appropriately identifying and managing risks and optimizing opportunities across economic, environmental and social bottom lines.

- As businesses expand their global footprints, developing a holistic approach towards corporate governance and proactively integrating sustainability into mainstream business strategy is non-negotiable
- A balanced sustainability report helps communicate an organization's positive and negative impacts to all its stakeholders. Such transparent disclosures are a vital step for moving towards a sustainable global economy – one that combines long term profitability with social justice and environmental care
- The new **GRI Standards**, launched in October 2016, are a set of **modular, interrelated standards** aimed at providing a more holistic, credible and flexible structure for sustainability reporting
- The **GRI Standards** will be made **mandatory** for all reports or materials published after **June 2018**; however, earlier adoption of the Standards is highly encouraged

About GRI

The Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) has been a pioneer in sustainability reporting and adopted by most of the Fortune 500 companies. The GRI sustainability reporting framework is the most trusted and widely used framework in the world and in October 2016 they released the first ever GRI Standards for sustainability reporting



Course overview

The GRI Standards Certified Training helps participants to understand the transition from the G4 guidelines to the latest Standards; key concepts and disclosures and using them for the reporting process.

The training course has been designed using global methodologies, adapted to GCC needs.

The two-day course covers different aspects of sustainability reporting, including leading practices, global and regional case-studies, discussions and latest trends along with insights into the challenges and opportunities associated with sustainability reporting.



Course outline

Introduction to sustainability reporting and GRI Standards

Understand the sustainability context; understand why transition to Standards; broader context; key concepts and disclosures; benefits of Standards; change in terminology and modifications over G4 guidelines

Overview of GRI Standards for reporting

Understand GRI Standards terminology; using Standards for sustainability reporting; logical flow of the Standards reporting; restructuring of selected content in the Standards over G4

Focusing on key aspects of reporting using Standards

Understand Universal Standards (Foundation, General Disclosures, Management Approach) and Topic-specific Standards; merged aspects; clarifications on "Impact", topic "boundaries" and "disclosures"; overall reporting format; additional resources to support transitions to Standards based reporting

Focusing on key report aspects

Defining report content; tools to consider sustainability impacts; stakeholder engagement and materiality assessment; identifying and communicating goals; data collection and assessment; customize the reporting approach.

Checking progress and effective communication

Report-writing techniques; effectively communicating the performance; external assurance; planning for the next reporting cycle



Why KPMG

KPMG's Sustainability Services has over 700 professionals working in more than 60 countries. In the GCC countries, our sustainability services professionals focus on sustainability strategies, sustainability reporting, carbon and water footprints, EHS audits and corporate social responsibility.

- KPMG's sustainability services in the GCC has trained key decision-makers across industries on sustainability and environment related aspects.
- As a GRI certified training partner, KPMG has trained over 2000 participants in over 10 countries.
- Our experienced trainers have worked on live projects across industries.
- KPMG has worked with GRI in developing the G4 guidelines for sustainability reporting.
- KPMG is also involved with the World Business Council on Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and the International Integrated Reporting Committee (IIRC).
- Our team has worked across industries including oil & gas, automobiles, cement, chemicals, composites, construction & real estate, energy, fertilizers, finance, FMCG, and retail.



Who should attend

This course is designed for key decision-makers who have been extensively involved in developing or assessing sustainability reports using previous versions of GRI reporting frameworks and are looking for transition to the new Standards – CXOs, senior management, managers from functions like finance, corporate communications, HSE, human resources, information technology, legal, marketing, operations, public relations, secretarial, social responsibility, strategy & planning, sustainability and supply chain.

This course may also be of interest to internal auditors, regulatory agencies and investors.



Meet your GRI trainers from KPMG



Daniel Gribbin

Senior Manager,
Sustainability and
CSR Advisory

Daniel has over eight years of experience in sustainability and CSR. Daniel has completed the Social Value International SROI training course and is a GRI Standards Certified trainer in the UAE.

He has worked across various sectors to deliver sustainability advisory and assurance requirements, including conducting audit work on CSR-related activities.

In addition, Daniel has delivered numerous stakeholder workshops and materiality sessions in order to assist in defining the content for GRI Standards Sustainability Reports, and has conducted CSR and sustainability workshops and awareness sessions for clients in both the public and private sectors in the UAE.

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US\$1,695	US\$1,895

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