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Objectives

Upon successful completion of the programme, participants will be able to:

- Create high-performing teams, by motivating and coaching staff, and supporting their career development. Monitor and evaluate staff performance and address under-performance in a constructive manner.
- Translate overall visions into realistic goals, by planning strategically, implementing results-based management systems, mitigating risks, and managing resources and funds successfully.
- Communicate effectively with staff, senior managers and peers. Build and maintain long-term partnerships with key stakeholders.
- Adopt key practices and tools to ensure proper leadership and management of projects and programmes, delegate and monitor tasks easily, and communicate and deal with risks successfully.
- Explain the key characteristics of UN leadership and support the adoption of leadership behaviours embodied in the UN System Leadership Framework.
- Create a UN inter-agency peer network.

Course methodology

This scenario-based programme is centered on the learner, offering a self-paced learning path delivered entirely online. Participants can start at any time, choosing the learning modules that best fit their needs.

The Extended E-Certificate on Leadership and Management programme offers:

- A micro-learning experience characterized by small knowledge units (modules and micro-lessons) where participants consolidate and reflect on learnings through the creation of micro-content (multimodal forum replies, blog posts, etc.).
- Scenario-based learning exposing participants to the unique real-life challenges and tasks of UN managers.
- Consolidation of takeaways through reflective practices and social learning to facilitate information exchange and peer-to-peer learning.
- Unlimited access to all modules for one calendar year from the date of enrolment.

A final certificate will be released to participants completing a total of 25 e-learning modules.

Each module is estimated to require approximately three to four hours of study time to complete at your own pace.

Course contents

The Extended E-Certificate in Leadership and Management offers a unique learning path focusing on the following managerial areas:

- **People.** This area includes modules on issues such as: Active Listening, Handling Difficult Conversations, Coaching Others Effectively, Resolving Conflicts and Motivating Yourself and Others.
- **Resources.** This area includes modules on issues such as budgeting and managing financial resources.
- **Implementation.** This area includes modules on issues such as: Leading Effective Meetings and Delegating Tasks.
- **Vision.** This area includes modules on issues such as strategic planning and risk communication.

New modules on leadership and management-related issues will be periodically released and made available to registered participants throughout 2022.

The programme is delivered through UNSSC’s Blue Line e-learning platform. After completing the certification programme, participants will gain access to an exclusive alumni network for continuous learning around key leadership and management-related topics.

Target audience

UN personnel at all levels with management and leadership functions at headquarters and in the field.

Cost of participation

The programme fee of $2,000 includes access to all modules for one calendar year from the date of enrolment.