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Overview

Sovereign Wealth Fund Corporate Finance and Investment Course is a two-week advanced course for sovereign wealth fund investment professionals, corporate finance teams, portfolio strategists, governance specialists, and transaction reviewers. Participants connect fund mandate and owner objectives with capital allocation, valuation, investment appraisal, capital structure, transaction review, portfolio-company value creation, stewardship, risk, performance, and investment-committee evidence. They leave with a Sovereign Investment Decision Book. Agile Leaders Training Center delivers this sovereign wealth fund finance course for professional finance decisions without offering legal advice, compliance certification, political commitments, or return promises.

Who Should Attend

- Sovereign wealth fund investment and corporate-finance professionals
- Direct investment, private markets, co-investment, and transaction teams
- Portfolio strategy, asset allocation, performance, and risk functions
- Portfolio-company oversight and value-creation professionals
- Governance, secretariat, stewardship, and investment-committee support teams
- Finance, valuation, due-diligence, and transaction-review specialists

Participants should understand financial statements, investment appraisal, and valuation fundamentals. The course does not prescribe public policy or a particular fund model and does not replace each fund's mandate, delegation, legal, tax, or investment policies.

Departments and Industries

- Sovereign wealth funds and government-owned investment institutions
- Public pension reserve and strategic investment organizations
- Direct investment, private equity, infrastructure, and real-asset teams
- Listed-equity, fixed-income, portfolio strategy, and asset-allocation functions
- Risk, finance, governance, stewardship, audit, and performance offices
- Portfolio companies, co-investment partners, advisers, and external managers

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Translate fund mandate, owner objectives, risk tolerance, and liquidity needs into finance criteria
- Evaluate capital-allocation proposals using strategic fit, cash flow, valuation, and risk
- Build and challenge enterprise, equity, project, and transaction valuations
- Assess funding, leverage, capital structure, distributions, and portfolio-company finance
- Conduct commercial, financial, governance, and transaction due diligence
- Prepare governed investment papers with scenarios, conditions, monitoring, and stewardship actions

Course Agenda

Day 1: Sovereign Mandate and Finance Decision Architecture

- Fund Purpose, Owner Objective and Mandate Map
- Governance Roles, Delegations and Decision Rights
- Risk Tolerance, Liquidity and Time-Horizon Translation
- Economic and Financial Decision Criteria
- Investment Paper and Evidence Architecture

Day 2: Strategic Capital Allocation

- Capital Budget and Opportunity Pipeline
- Strategic Fit and Portfolio Contribution
- Return Objective, Risk Budget and Liquidity Constraint
- Concentration, Correlation and Scenario Effects
- Sovereign Fund Capital Allocation Course Workshop

Day 3: Financial Statement and Cash Flow Diagnosis

- Quality of Earnings and Accounting Adjustments
- Operating Drivers and Working Capital
- Free Cash Flow and Reinvestment Requirements
- Leverage, Coverage and Funding Capacity
- Forecast Assumption and Sensitivity Review

Day 4: Corporate Valuation

- Discounted Cash Flow Model Architecture
- Cost of Capital and Terminal Value
- Trading and Transaction Multiples
- Scenario, Probability and Range Analysis
- Sovereign Fund Valuation Course Challenge

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Day 5: Investment Appraisal and Project Finance

- Net Present Value and Internal Rate of Return
- Risk-Adjusted Hurdle and Decision Rules
- Project Cash Flow and Funding Structure
- Downside, Break-Even and Option Analysis
- Investment Appraisal Recommendation

Day 6: Capital Structure and Funding Choices

- Debt, Equity and Hybrid Funding Trade-Offs
- Leverage Capacity and Credit Implications
- Dividend, Distribution and Reinvestment Policy
- Refinancing, Liquidity and Covenant Effects
- Portfolio-Company Capital Structure Plan

Day 7: Transactions and Due Diligence

- Transaction Thesis and Screening Criteria
- Commercial and Financial Due Diligence
- Purchase Price, Synergy and Value Leakage
- Deal Structure, Conditions and Protection
- Sovereign Investment Finance Course Review

Day 8: Portfolio-Company Value Creation

- Value Driver and Strategic Initiative Map
- Growth, Margin, Capital and Cash Priorities
- Management Incentive and Accountability Logic
- Milestone, KPI and Intervention Trigger
- Value-Creation Plan and Finance Dashboard

Day 9: Stewardship, Governance and Risk

- Ownership Rights and Stewardship Objectives
- Board, Management and Shareholder Interfaces
- Conflict, Related-Party and Information Controls
- Investment, Operational and Reputation Risk
- Escalation, Remediation and Exit Triggers

Day 10: Performance and Investment Committee Decisions

- Benchmark, Return and Attribution Review
- Value Creation Versus Market Movement
- Scenario Update and Decision Reassessment
- Investment Committee Challenge and Conditions
- Sovereign Investment Decision Book Presentation

Practical Workshops

- Translate a sovereign mandate into corporate-finance criteria
- Apply a sovereign fund governance course decision-rights matrix
- Build valuation and investment-appraisal models
- Challenge capital structure and transaction assumptions
- Create a portfolio-company value-creation and stewardship plan
- Assemble and defend the Sovereign Investment Decision Book

Course Deliverables

- Mandate-to-Finance Decision Matrix
- Capital Allocation and Risk-Budget Template
- Valuation and Investment Appraisal Workbook
- Transaction Due-Diligence and Deal Review
- Portfolio-Company Finance and Stewardship Plan
- Sovereign Investment Decision Book

Frequently Asked Questions

Is the course about government budgeting?

No. It applies corporate-finance tools within sovereign investment mandates and does not cover general public budgeting or fiscal administration.

Does the course teach valuation and transaction analysis?

Yes. Participants build and challenge cash-flow valuations, multiples, project appraisals, capital structures, due diligence, and deal terms.

Does it cover portfolio companies?

Yes. The course addresses funding, value creation, performance, governance, stewardship, interventions, and exit triggers.

Does the course certify compliance with the Santiago Principles?

No. The principles inform governance context, but the course does not audit or certify a fund's compliance.

What is the main workplace output?

Participants complete a Sovereign Investment Decision Book containing mandate alignment, valuation, structure, risk, governance, and monitoring evidence.