



Emissions Trading Schemes (ETS) Compliance and Markets Course

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Overview

Emissions Trading Schemes ETS Compliance and Markets Course is a five-day advanced course for sustainability, carbon market, environmental compliance, policy, industrial, energy, and finance teams, who leave with an ETS Compliance and Trading Action Plan. Participants apply cap-and-trade system design, carbon allowance trading, monitoring reporting and verification, allowance registry control, and ETS compliance planning. The course connects allocation, auctions, surrender, price risk, leakage, offsets, oversight, and system linkage. Agile Leaders Training Center delivers this emissions trading course.

Who Should Attend

- Sustainability functions responsible for carbon-pricing exposure and decarbonization choices
- Environmental compliance functions responsible for emissions evidence and allowance surrender
- Carbon market functions responsible for allowance procurement, trading, and risk
- Energy and industrial operations responsible for covered emissions and production decisions
- Finance and treasury functions responsible for budgets, positions, controls, and reporting
- Policy and governance functions responsible for scheme design and organizational oversight

The course assumes participants work with emissions, carbon markets, compliance, policy, or financial decisions and leaves out voluntary offset project development and emissions measurement engineering.

Departments and Industries

The course supports functions that manage emissions-trading obligations and market exposure across carbon-intensive and financial sectors.

- Energy, utilities, refining, and industrial production
- Transport, aviation, maritime, and logistics operations
- Finance, treasury, risk, and commodity trading
- Sustainability, environmental management, and corporate affairs
- Policy, market administration, assurance, and advisory services

Learning Objectives

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



- Analyze ETS scope, caps, coverage, allocation, and policy interactions
- Build an allowance position from verified emissions and available holdings
- Evaluate auction, secondary-market, banking, borrowing, and offset choices
- Apply registry, surrender, evidence, and compliance-cycle controls
- Diagnose price, liquidity, leakage, integrity, and linkage risks
- Create an ETS Compliance and Trading Action Plan

Course Agenda

Day 1: ETS Architecture and Coverage

- Carbon Pricing Instrument Comparison Matrix
- ETS Cap and Coverage Design Map
- Allowance Supply and Allocation Model
- Free Allocation and Leakage Risk Grid
- ETS Governance and Accountability RACI

Day 2: Emissions Evidence and Compliance

- Monitoring Plan Control Checklist
- Emissions Data Flow and Evidence Map
- Monitoring Reporting and Verification Cycle
- Allowance Registry Account Control Sheet
- Surrender Obligation Reconciliation

Day 3: Allowance Markets and Trading

- Primary Allowance Auction Process Map
- Secondary Market Order and Position Log
- Allowance Price Driver Analysis
- Banking and Borrowing Decision Matrix
- Trading Mandate and Limit Framework

Day 4: Risk and System Strategy

- Eligible Offset Assessment Checklist
- Carbon Market Integrity Risk Register
- Price and Liquidity Scenario Model
- ETS Linkage Compatibility Matrix
- Organizational Compliance Forecast



Day 5: ETS Compliance Practice

- Exercise: Cap and Allocation Assessment
- Exercise: Emissions and Allowance Reconciliation
- Exercise: Auction and Trading Position Decision
- Exercise: Compliance Risk Response
- Capstone ETS Compliance and Trading Action Plan

Practical Exercises

The course includes the following suggested activities:

- Suggested activity: map covered emissions, allocation, holdings, and forecast allowance needs
- Suggested activity: reconcile verified emissions evidence with registry positions and surrender obligations
- Suggested activity: compare auction, secondary-market, banking, borrowing, and eligible-offset choices
- Suggested activity: test price, liquidity, leakage, integrity, and linkage risks in a compliance plan

Frequently Asked Questions

Who suits the Emissions Trading Schemes ETS Compliance and Markets Course?

The course suits sustainability, compliance, carbon market, policy, industrial, energy, finance, and assurance functions and assumes involvement in emissions or allowance decisions.

How does an ETS course differ from carbon offset training?

An ETS course focuses on mandatory caps, allowances, allocation, auctions, registries, surrender, trading, and compliance, while carbon offset training focuses on projects or credits outside the core allowance cycle.

How does monitoring reporting and verification support ETS compliance?

Monitoring reporting and verification creates controlled emissions evidence that determines allowance obligations, supports assurance, enables reconciliation, and reduces errors before surrender.

What drives carbon allowance trading decisions?

Carbon allowance trading decisions use verified emissions, expected production, allocation, allowance holdings, market prices, liquidity, compliance timing, risk limits, and permitted flexibility.

What belongs in an ETS compliance plan?

An ETS compliance plan should define scope, emissions evidence, allowance forecasts, procurement choices, registry controls, responsibilities, trading limits, surrender checks, risk responses, and review points.



Conclusion

Participants take back an ETS Compliance and Trading Action Plan with architecture, evidence, position, trading, risk, and governance artifacts. The plan replaces disconnected carbon-market activities with a controlled compliance cycle. It clarifies allowance needs, decisions, owners, limits, registry steps, surrender checks, market risks, and review points.