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Course Overview:

In the highly regulated and high-stakes world of the oil and gas sector, it is crucial to master Governance, Risk Management, and Compliance GRC for ensuring operational sustainability and maintaining global competitiveness. This specialized training course equips executives and managers with the necessary skills to implement integrated GRC strategies that meet international energy regulations, environmental standards, and safety requirements.

Participants will delve into industry-specific risks—including regulatory non-compliance, geopolitical instability, HSE liabilities, and corruption vulnerabilities—while acquiring tools to establish resilient governance frameworks, enhance compliance processes, and predict future risk scenarios specific to oil and gas companies.

Target Audience:

- Executives and Senior Leaders in Oil & Gas Companies
- Corporate Governance Officers
- Health, Safety, Environment & Quality HSEQ Managers
- Legal, Compliance, and Ethics Officers
- Risk Managers and Internal Auditors
- Financial Controllers & Strategy Planners
- Asset Integrity and Operations Managers

Relevant Departments:

- Risk & Compliance
- Health, Safety, and Environment HSE
- Corporate Governance & Legal Affairs
- Finance & Internal Audit
- Asset Management & Operations
- Human Resources for Ethics & Culture Programs
- Strategy & Business Development

Targeted Industries:

- Upstream, Midstream, and Downstream Oil & Gas
- Oilfield Services and Engineering Firms
- Petrochemical Manufacturers
- LNG and Refinery Operations
- Energy Trading & Logistics Companies

Course Offerings:

In The End Of This Course, Participants will Able to:

- Implement governance frameworks aligned with the petroleum sector realities
- Integrate risk management with asset integrity, pipeline operations, and field safety
- Apply compliance measures for international oil regulations e.g., FCPA, EITI, ESG standards
- Examine ethical concerns and corruption risks in joint ventures and partnerships
- Design resilient internal control systems post-SOX and IFRS standards
- Assess the impact of board decisions on operational risk and stakeholder trust
- Navigate CEO accountability, compensation, and investor expectations in volatile markets

Training Methodology:

- Interactive industry case studies e.g., Deepwater Horizon, Petrobras scandal
- Group discussions on regulatory frameworks like FCPA, ESG, SOX in O&G
- Scenario simulations e.g., oil spill response, cyberattacks on SCADA systems
- Hands-on risk mapping and control testing exercises

Course Toolbox:

- GRC ebook customized for oil & gas challenges
- ESG compliance tracker templates
- Case studies on asset risk and regulatory fines in oil majors
- Internal audit & board reporting frameworks

Course Agenda:

Day 1: GRC Foundations in the Energy Sector

- **Topic 1:** What GRC Means in Oil & Gas: Frameworks, Risks & Global Trends
- **Topic 2:** Safety Culture & Integrity Systems: The Heart of Governance
- **Topic 3:** Failures & Consequences: Historical Industry Governance Breakdowns
- **Topic 4:** Learning from Excellence: Companies Leading in GRC Innovation
- **Topic 5:** Transparency Mandates: ESG, Anti-Corruption, and Reporting Demands
- **Reflection & Review:** Understanding Energy GRC Systems and Sectoral Impact

Day 2: Ethics, Compliance, and Regulatory Pressures

- **Topic 1:** Ethics Under Pressure: Managing Compliance in High-Risk Environments
- **Topic 2:** Tone at the Top in Exploration & Drilling Divisions
- **Topic 3:** Financial & Reputational Costs of Regulatory Non-Compliance
- **Topic 4:** Case Studies: BP, Shell, Petrobras & Lessons from Penalties
- **Topic 5:** Compliance Efficiency: Local Adaptation vs. Global Standards
- **Reflection & Review:** Evaluating Sector Compliance Strategies and Ethics

Day 3: Risk Management in Complex Oil & Gas Operations

- **Topic 1:** Categorizing Risks: HSE, Political, Financial, Cyber, and Operational
- **Topic 2:** ERM Frameworks Tailored to Oil & Gas Assets
- **Topic 3:** Real-World Cases: Pipeline Explosions, Oil Spills, and Supplier Risks
- **Topic 4:** Integrating SCADA Security & Asset Management into ERM
- **Topic 5:** SOX 404, IFRS, and Their Impact on Financial Controls
- **Reflection & Review:** Managing Risks Across the Upstream to Downstream Chain

Day 4: Boardroom Governance and Strategic Leadership

- **Topic 1:** Board Responsibilities in Joint Ventures & Multinational Projects
- **Topic 2:** Governance in Crisis: Response Planning for Industrial Disasters
- **Topic 3:** Executive Compensation in the Energy Sector: Trends & Pitfalls
- **Topic 4:** Regulatory Oversight vs. Shareholder Pressures
- **Topic 5:** Linking Performance Metrics to Safety, Sustainability & Profitability
- **Reflection & Review:** Aligning Strategy, Governance & Risk in Energy Projects



Day 5: Governance Innovation and Industry Outlook

- **Topic 1:** Shareholder Activism and ESG in Oil & Gas: Emerging Power Centers
- **Topic 2:** Governance Trends: Decentralized Boards, AI, and Globalization
- **Topic 3:** The Future of Director Accountability and Proxy Access
- **Topic 4:** Preventing Scandals: Whistleblowing, Audit Committees, and Vigilance
- **Topic 5:** Forecasting Risks: Climate, Renewables, and Global Policy Shifts
- **Reflection & Review:** Future-Ready GRC Leadership in Oil & Gas Firms

How This Course is Different from Other GRC Courses:

This course distinguishes itself by concentrating specifically on governance, risk management, and compliance GRC within the oil and gas industry. It blends general best practices with insights specific to sector challenges, including environmental regulations, anti-corruption laws, health, safety, and environmental HSE standards, as well as geopolitical risks. Participants leave equipped with practical tools and knowledge through case studies that reflect the actual scenarios encountered by energy companies. Covering everything from SOX 404 compliance to managing ESG pressures and crisis strategies, this program offers unique depth and breadth compared to standard GRC courses.