

Featured course

Responsible Investment 101

How to get started

Explore the course when the Academy goes live!
This course takes ~45 minutes - 1 hour to complete.
Course is IBF accredited for 1 CPD point (IBF-ST5)



IBF STS Accredited: [Sustainable Finance TSC: Sustainability Risk Management](#) | Proficiency level 3

CPD Hours: 1.5 CPD hours

Background: Though not always obvious, the health of our world's *financial systems* and the health of our planet's *ecological systems* are deeply intertwined. This is particularly true in Asia-Pacific, which is home to [almost half](#) of our planet's biodiversity hotspots, and where nearly [one third](#) of the region's wealth is dependent on natural capital - things like freshwater and healthy soils. If we continue to do business-as-usual, however - investing in emissions-intensive energy and extractive agricultural systems - we put both our planet and our retirement savings at risk. By 2050 [over 1 billion](#) people could be displaced due to climate-related disasters; And by 2100 our failure to address the climate crisis could put as much as [US \\$4.2 trillion](#) of managed assets at risk.

Fortunately, a recent surge in [national](#) and [corporate](#) commitments to mitigate the risks of climate change by achieving net-zero emissions by mid-century demonstrates growing recognition of the interdependence between our financial and ecological systems. Yet we are still a long way from achieving the ambitions of the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals; Current global climate policies and pledges are projected to lead to a [+2.7C scenario](#), well above a Paris-aligned pathway. As such, **investors and other financial institutions, which lend to, invest in and insure companies across all sectors and geographies, have a key role to play in accelerating and enabling the transition toward sustainable and low-carbon economies.**

Course Description: This course aims to provide Asia-based asset managers with a high-level introduction to responsible investment. We look at the wide spectrum of approaches to responsible investment (RI), explore the drivers and motivations for RI, highlight some of the key environmental and social issues asset managers should be looking at, and dig into specific ESG strategies. This course will also provide asset managers with a framework they can use to assess and enhance their own investment strategies, and will highlight specific real-world examples of current RI "good practice".

Target audience: Asset management professionals based in Asia, in particular individuals working in roles related to risk management, product solutioning and management, trading and execution, and sales and relationship management.

Learning outcomes: After completing this course you will:

- Understand the range of approaches to responsible investment (RI)
- Identify best practices and available tools for measuring & monitoring E&S performance
- Design meaningful disclosures that articulate how E&S risks and opportunities are being considered in financing decisions
- Effectively communicate about RI, both internally (w/ management) and externally (w/ clients)

Duration: Self-guided, approximately ~45 min - 1 hour.

Assessment: 12 question assessment consisting of multiple choice, matching, fill in the blank and true false questions. 80% score required to pass.

Price:

- **Gross retail price:** SG \$250 (individual purchase). Net purchase available via iMAS e-learning portal
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