

Training with Aravena Global Solutions PRINCE2® Practitioner Course Information

General

PRINCE2 (**PR**ojects **IN C**ontrolled **E**nvironments version **2**) is a process-based method for effective project management. PRINCE2 is widely recognised as a world-class international product and is the standard method for project management for many Government departments and private sector organisations around the world.

The method PRINCE2 is in the public domain, offering non-proprietorial best practice guidance on project management as it embodies many years of good practice in project management and provides a flexible and adaptable approach to suit all projects.

The key features of PRINCE2 are:

- Its focus on business justification
- A defined organisation structure for the project management team
- Its product-based planning approach
- Its emphasis on dividing the project into manageable and controllable stages
- Its flexibility to be applied at a level appropriate to the project.

As a Project manager you can apply the principles of PRINCE2 and the associated training to any type of project as it is a generic, tailorable and simple to follow project management method. It will help you to organise, manage and control your projects enabling you to successfully deliver the right products, on time and within budget.

Course Offerings

Aravena Global Solutions offers a range of PRINCE2 courses that are focussed on different outcomes.

- PM 101 Fundamentals of Project Management (based on PRINCE2)
- PM 102 PRINCE2 Foundation
- PM 103 PRINCE2 for Boards/Senior Management
- PM 201 PRINCE2 Practitioner

The PRINCE2 Foundation course (PM102) enables project managers and members of project management teams to apply PRINCE2 within a project environment and to understand the method in enough detail to pass the Foundation level accreditation examination. The course is of 3 days duration.

The PRINCE2 Practitioner course (PM201) expands PM102 and enables project managers and members of project management teams to know the PRINCE2 project management method in enough detail to pass the Practitioner level accreditation examinations, and be able to use the PRINCE2 method in their normal daily project work. The course is of 5 days duration.

Our standard of delivery means that Aravena Global Solutions Practitioner course provides delegates every opportunity to pass the PRINCE2 Foundation Examination.

Standard inclusions on the Practitioner Course comprise:

- Comprehensive course notes, exercises and sample papers
- The text, Managing Successful Projects with PRINCE2
- Aravena Global Solutions PRINCE2 process map

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- APMG Foundation and Practitioner Examinations (internationally accredited qualifications for each delegate who passes the exams)
- Aravena Global Solutions PRINCE2 Project Management templates

What to expect from your PRINCE2 Practitioner Course

The Aravena Global Solutions course follows the structure where the bulk of PRINCE2 information is delivered over 3 days, leaving 2 days for examinations, discussions and the application of the knowledge for the Practitioner course. Supplementing the course work is some homework consisting of additional exercises, practice examinations and study review which will assist you to understand the method (and pass the examinations).

What's involved?

As a result of the course structure and the examination requirements there is large amount of information to absorb and any pre-reading you are able to do on the methodology will greatly assist you. You should allow up to 2 hours each evening for reviewing the days work and practicing sample questions for both exams.

Accreditation

The PRINCE2 examinations are set by APMG on behalf AXELOS and aim to enable you to be able to apply PRINCE2 to the running and managing of a project within an environment supporting PRINCE2. To this end you will need to exhibit the competence required for the Foundation qualification, and show, via the Practitioner exam, that you can apply and tune PRINCE2 to address the needs and problems of a project.

The one-hour multiple question Foundation examination and $2\frac{1}{2}$ -hour objective test Practitioner Examination included as part of the course. The world pass rate for the Foundation exam, which requires 50% correct, is very high (over 95% pass), however, as to be expected, the Practitioner exam pass rate is lower which reflects its additional difficulty.

You should also note that all PRINCE2 Practitioners should be re-registered within 3-5 calendar years of their original certification. This Re-Registration comprises a 1-hour examination set at the same standard as the Practitioner examination. Please contact us to discuss this further if you require re-registration.

Aravena's commitment to you

Whilst Aravena has attempted to not make the course too exam focussed (aiming to educate rather than certify), a number of delegates do become exam focussed. This is understandable as the course is not cheap and delegates want to get value from their investment in terms of a recognised qualification. That said we will make every effort to ensure that all you enjoy your attendance and come away better educated with regards to project management and the application of the PRINCE2 method.

The Practitioner course is designed for delegates who have had some project management experience and there is often a broad range of experience in projects among the delegates that is invaluable to assisting your learning. If you have limited experience you may find the course more difficult but not impossible.

For further information about this course, or other Aravena services, please contact admin@aravena.com.au.