

# **Certificate in Board Secretarial Practice and Governance**





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#### **Course Description**

This comprehensive 5-day certificate course is designed to equip participants with the essential knowledge and skills required to excel as a board secretary. The program covers key aspects of corporate governance, board meeting management, regulatory compliance, and effective communication strategies. Participants will gain practical insights into the responsibilities of a board secretary and learn best practices for supporting organizational leadership.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- Understand the role and responsibilities of a board secretary in corporate governance
- Master the planning, execution, and follow-up of board meetings and AGMs
- Develop skills in minute-taking, record-keeping, and managing board communications
- Learn to navigate regulatory requirements and ensure compliance
- Enhance ability to provide strategic support to the board and senior management

#### **Course Modules**

#### **Day 1: Introduction to Board Secretarial Practice**

- The evolving role of the board secretary
- Corporate governance principles and frameworks
- Legal and regulatory environment
- Ethical considerations and conflicts of interest

#### **Day 2: Board Meeting Management**

- Planning and organizing board meetings
- Preparing agendas and board papers
- Effective minute-taking techniques
- Managing board dynamics and decision-making processes

#### **Day 3: Corporate Compliance and Reporting**

- Statutory registers and records
- Annual reports and financial statements
- Regulatory filings and disclosures
- · Data protection and information security



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#### **Day 4: Shareholder Relations and AGM Management**

- Shareholder communications and engagement
- Planning and executing Annual General Meetings
- · Proxy management and voting procedures
- Handling shareholder gueries and disputes

#### **Day 5: Strategic Support and Board Development**

- Board evaluation and performance improvement
- Director induction and ongoing education
- Succession planning for board and senior management
- Emerging trends in corporate governance

#### **Practical Wins for Participants**

- Ability to confidently manage board meetings and produce professional minutes
- Enhanced skills in navigating complex regulatory requirements
- Improved capacity to provide strategic advice to the board and senior management
- Networking opportunities with peers and industry experts



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