**Introduction to Project Management Skills**

This programme is targeted at analyst level in order to provide the necessary knowledge and skills required to build strong project management skills within the banking sector and is accredited by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI).  Effective project management is critical to the success in order to deliver strong outcomes in lines with client expectations.  This short course will deliver a clear and concise understanding of what project management involves looking specifically at a number of core areas including the context of project management, management of stakeholders and planning and control.

The programme will be delivered over 3 consecutive evenings from 1800-2100hrs in FS Union Belfast offices (Malone Road).  The final session will involve the candidates completing a short presentation in order to cover the learning outcomes and requirement of the accreditation (CMI Level 3 Award in Project Management).

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**Programme structure**

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| Session | Timings |
| 1 | Introduction to project management* Purpose and structure of a project
* Business contexts of projects, including lifecycles and approaches
* Success criteria and factors
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| 2 | Management of stakeholders and project teams* Project roles and responsibilities
* Stakeholder management:  Keeping the client involved and engaged
* Project team management
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| 3 | Planning and control * Project planning and control cycle
* Risks and barriers to project success
* Managing stages within individual projects
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| 4 | Candidate presentations* Each candidate to present re assessment (max 10 mins each)
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