

Welcoming More Trained Professionals Into Asia's Burgeoning Infrastructure Development Space

INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS WILL CONTINUE TO BE PART OF ASIA'S POST-PANDEMIC DEVELOPMENT JOURNEY, by supporting economic recovery and improving connectivity in the areas of both transport and telecommunications.

Even before the global pandemic struck, the infrastructure development space was expecting a boost – Asian Development Bank (ADB) had projected that Asia needs an infrastructure investment of US\$1.7 trillion every year until 2030 – and a corresponding demand for infrastructure and project finance professionals.

To complement the sector's training needs, ISCA launched the ISCA Infrastructure & Project Finance Qualification (ISCA IPFQ) in July 2019. Supported by Infrastructure Asia, the Qualification was developed by ISCA in collaboration with EY Singapore.



Upon completion of the Qualification and fulfilling at least three years of recent and relevant work experience in infrastructure and project finance-

related fields, graduates can be conferred the ISCA Infrastructure & Project Finance Professional (ISCA IPFP) Credential. The Credential is a testament of one's expertise and experience in the project finance field.

The Qualification covers content relevant to key areas of work across the infrastructure value chain, including public-private-partnership contracts, project development and procurement, project financing, risks analysis and mitigation, and financial modelling. Each module comprises practical workshops delivered by EY Singapore's Infrastructure Advisory team and an assessment. Candidates also gain hands-on experience on financial modelling for infrastructure projects through a take-home assignment.

ISCA would like to extend our heartiest congratulations to our pioneer batch of ISCA IPFQ graduates in February 2021. We look forward to building a pipeline of trained infrastructure finance professionals to support the growing industry.

HEAR FROM SOME OF OUR PIONEER GRADUATES:



"I took up the ISCA IPFQ as I felt it would complement my work advising on infrastructure projects. The programme was intensive and provided well-rounded insights into the many facets of project financing. This helped me to develop a better understanding of the multiple stakeholders and how to collaborate well with them on projects."

CHUA JIAN ZHI, Legal role in a digital infrastructure company.
Top Module Award winner for Module 1: Project Lifecycle (Calendar year 2019), Top Module Award winner of Module 2: Project Risks and Financing and Module 3: Contracts and Modelling (Calendar year 2020)



"I signed up for the ISCA IPFQ to acquire industry-relevant knowledge which would enable me to pivot into the field. The programme is comprehensive as we learnt about the infrastructure financing lifecycle and acquired practical skills required to do the job. In addition, the trainers are industry experts who brought theory to life via case studies and sharing of their real-world experiences."

ESMOND LEE, Credit Analyst, Norinchukin Bank, Singapore Branch

"I could directly apply the knowledge gained from ISCA IPFQ to my work, for example, the commercial principles and cost benefit analysis employed in project development. The course coordinators had done well in curating the reading materials, which were very comprehensive and relevant."

WALTER ONG, ISCA IPFQ graduate (February 2021)

For more information on the ISCA IPFQ, please visit ISCA's website at www.isca.org.sg/ipfq. You can also email us at qualifications@isca.org.sg or call 6597-5533 for further enquiries.