



# INTERCULTURAL MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION PROGRAMME

Our exclusive certification course offer you the highest-quality education in the field of culture and management, based on a fusion of academic research and practical experience.



This certification is an intensive blended learning programme, designed for consultants and managers interested in using our know-how in the field of culture and management to serve their own clients. After joining the certification you will become an Associate Partner of Hofstede Insights.

To facilitate effective knowledge transfer, as a prospective Hofstede Insights Associate Partner, you need to challenge your own knowledge. This Certification will support you in the process of understanding the 6-D Model of National Culture as well as provide you with tools to leverage knowledge and practical resources.

In order to ensure efficient peer learning, the programme, led by senior Hofstede Insights Consultants, includes numerous group assignments, peer learning sessions, and networking opportunities with our 130+ consultants. You will also be offered six coaching sessions targeted to your needs in the areas of personal branding, sales, and training development as well as face-to-face sessions and the observation of a training process.

#### **TESTIMONIALS**

I found the quality of the course to be world-class, extremely professional and very well run. Overall I really loved the experience, the relaxed nature of the team, the professionalism of the course, the content and the facilitators.

The course itself provides the right context to make the theory fall into place. Both facilitators make the content come to life by the stories they share. Thank you so much for this great opportunity. It was great that I could meet many working people from various countries with a lot of intercultural experiences. It was a very interesting experience.

#### SELF-PACED LEARNING



A self-assessment and a self-paced learning platform.

You will receive weekly homework and group assignments where you will be asked to collaborate, discuss, and reflect on the influence of culture.



# INSTRUCTOR-LED SESSIONS

Experiential learning facilitated by a Master Trainer, including a variety of interactive tasks developed for problem-solving and synergy building activities, as well as breakout sessions.

#### **TEAM BUILDING**



During the lunches and dinners organised as part of the programme, you will get to meet some of your Hofstede Insights peers and the members of our Headquarter (if face to face).



# POST-COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Your certification includes six coaching sessions, where you will work together with your expert coach on improvement points suggested by our learning specialists (for Associate Partners only).

You will also get to observe an Associate Partners during a training programme. You will in turn be observed by an Associate Partner during your first project.

#### **EVALUATION**



Your learning specialist will evaluate your participation.
Your Coach will evaluate your first

Your Coach will evaluate your first delivery.

The minimal grade to obtain the final certification is 4 (scale 1-5).

### PROGRAMME 2022

Module	Session title	Date / Time
Module 1	Kick-off & Introduction	Webinar: April 25 15.00 to 17.00 EEST
Module 2	The dimensions of National Culture	Webinar: April 27th15.00 to 18.00 EEST
Module 3	Applications & Practical tools	Webinar: May 4th 15.00 to 18.00 EEST
Module 4	Combination of dimensions	Webinar: May 11th 15.00 to 18.00 EEST
Module 5	The Culture Clusters	Webinar: May 18th 15.00 to 18.00 EEST
Module 6	Developing a Training Session	Webinar: May 25th 15.00 to 18.00 EEST
Module 7	Developing a Case Study	Webinar: June 1st 15.00 to 18.00 EEST
Module 8	Tools and Marketing Guidelines* (for Associate Partners only)	Webinar: June 6th 15.00 to 17.00 EEST
Module 9	Sales Pitch	Webinar: June 8th 15.00 to 18.00 EEST
Coaching Sessions	Six coaching sessions* (starting from Module 9)	To be agreed upon between you and your Coach
Module 10	How to Make a Proposal	Webinar: September 21st 15.00 to 18.00 EEST

<sup>\*</sup>Please note the corporate participants, as they do not join as Associate Partners, do not receive these benefits.

#### YOUR TEAM OF MASTER TRAINERS



**DR. OKEY OKERE**Regional VP Africa, Hofstede Insights

Okey Okere is a seasoned management consultant and investment advisor who helps businesses leverage both the financial and people-side of business to thrive.

His Management Consulting experience includes Intercultural Management, Organisational Culture, Business Analysis, Strategy.

He led consulting projects for Banks across West Africa, helping them to build risk models to aid lending decisions. He was also the key resource in the Growth and Employment for States (GEMS3) programme for the Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC).

## DR. LISA DEWAARD

Managing Director, Hofstede Insights USA

Lisa has been working in the field of cross-cultural communication for almost 20 years, specialising primarily in the language and culture of Russia. As a linguist and teacher of Russian and Spanish, her research focused on linguistic miscommunication due to cultural differences.



Lisa, a native of the United States, has been traveling to Russia for more than 25 years, working with schools and university programs.

She is the Managing Director of Hofstede Insights USA, a member of the Board of Directors at Johann Goethe Schule, an international school in St. Petersburg, Russia.

She has also lived in Italy and travelled extensively while working as a professor, providing teacher training and sharing research in the United States, Argentina, Russia, France, Canada, Italy, and Hungary.



## **JAN VINCENT MEERTENS**

Associate Partner, Hofstede Insights

Jan Vincent has studied, lived and worked for more than four decades in different countries around the world.

He has been a country manager for a large Dutch corporation in the Americas and build his own training and consultancy company which he successfully sold.

Today, Jan Vincent is author and publishes articles and books on intercultural management. He is also an experienced trainer and coach with a focus on leadership and negotiation skills. Jan Vincent assists global managers in both the public and private sector, focusing on developing sound crosscultural business strategies with a social impact, enhancing cultural competencies, and preparing for international business missions and complex cross-cultural negotiations.

He has lived, studied and/or worked in the United States, Colombia, Guatemala, Spain, Brazil, Turkey, Russia, Europe, Sri Lanka, India, Vietnam and Ghana (amongst others).



**EGBERT SCHRAM**Group CEO, Hofstede Insights

Egbert Schram is the CEO of Hofstede Insights. He is astute, passionate about his work, known to make complex things understandable by focusing on pragmatic solutions. His client engagement focuses on management team and board level culture and strategy alignment challenges, for example in integration, acquisition and transformation issues.

Egbert is a Dutch forester by background (Wageningen University), currently living in Finland, with his studies having equipped him with a holistic yet pragmatic view on business. He has been internationally

coaching coaches, consulting consultants and training trainers since 2006.

Other professional activities include being the Chairman of the international chapter at the FinnishHR Federation, guest lecturer at various universities and polytechnics and advisory board member at Amcham Finland.

#### YOUR LEARNING SPECIALIST

### **ITZEL RUIZ**

Learning and Development, Hofstede Insights

Itzel has worked as a civil servant in her home country, Mexico, and in the private sector in the language and education field in Australia.

With more than 10 years of international experience, nowadays she is working in Finland, developing training programmes to engage organisations in intercultural awareness practices.

Interested in education and lifelong learning, she has volunteered in projects in the San Francisco Bay area, U.S. and Al-Khalil, Palestine.



#### OUR NETWORK OF ASSOCIATED PARTNERS

With over 130 certified consultants in 60 countries, our highly selective network of culture and management consultants possess extensive professional experience and knowledge on how to implement culturally sensitive management practices, align working practices with strategic goals and help with creating organisations which have the Best Culture to Perform. With proven cases from working with brands such as GE, Novartis, TUI, Unilever and many more, Hofstede Insights brings organisations from international presence to true global effectiveness.

#### OUR ASSOCIATE PARTNERS

This Certification will support you in the process of understanding the 6-D Model of National Culture as well as provide you with tools to leverage knowledge and practical resources.

In order to ensure the highest quality standard and fulfill the needs of our clients, our application process is extremely selective. We require members of Hofstede Insights network to:

- Possess strong didactical skills and be able to generate creative, innovative and practical ideas
- Have occupied higher management positions
- Have high standards of professionalism and intercultural empathy
- Have strong sales skills to do their own sales and assignment acquisitions
- Have lived and worked in at least two countries outside of their home country
- Be fluent in several languages

#### BENEFITS\*

#### Standard of excellence.

- Showcase to your clients that you are a member of an established international organisation that sets worldwide standards
- Connection to the masters and builders of the field

#### Peer learning and exchange.

- Support from a worldwide network of experts
- Continuous peer learning
- Monthly virtual events (on topics related to culture, consulting, personal branding and new technologies)
- Exclusive Master Classes and certification programmes
- Access to #TheCultureFactor conferences and selected events

#### Personal Branding.

- An e-mail address
- A profile on our website
- Business cards

#### Everything you need to get started

- Access to google meet and Jamboard
- Access to an unlimited virtual cloud
- Access to selected software needed to create the material for your coaching/training
- Access to our material archives (30 years of documentation cases and exercises)
- Training material

#### Go further

- Help us contribute to the field as we regularly support research projects
- Involvement in the creation of tools and learning materials



#### THE REGISTRATION PROCESS

## Step 1 Application

To apply to the programme and to join as an Associate Partner, please share your CV and a motivation letter at sales@hofstede-insights.com.

## Step 2 The interview process

If your CV and motivation letter fit the requirements, we will contact you to set up 2 to 3 intake calls:

- Call n\*1 With our Learning and Development Manager, Itzel Ruiz, you will discuss your objectives and learning path.
- Call n\*2 with the Group CEO of Hofstede Insights, Egbert Schram you will be able to discuss what it means to become an Associate Partner and ask questions you might have on the contract.
- Call n\*3 in case there is a country office in your country, you will have a call with the country office Managing Director.

## **Step 3**Official registration

You are officially registered to the course once the payment has been received and the contract signed.

### Are you an internal consultant?

We offer a modified attendance to this programme, aimed at enabling internal corporate trainers to use our materials for internal talent and learning training development.

Corporate participants do not join as Associate Partner thus they do not receive the benefits attached to the membership. Please note that the coaching and access to our material archives are part of these benefits.

## PRICE

Level	Participant(s) per session	Price Excl. VAT
Certification in Intercultural Management	15	6000€
Certification in Intercultural Management & Organisational Culture	15	8000€

#### OUR EXPERTISE AT YOUR SERVICE

Hofstede Insights has spent over 30 years helping some of the world's largest organisations transform their intercultural and organisational challenges into business success stories, and translating academic research into powerful actions.

We offer high quality expert services and solutions in the field of culture and management based on academic research and a wealth of practical experience.



#### **UNIQUENESS**

The only organisation offering a combination of Organisational and National Culture expertise.



#### WORLDWIDE

A worldwide network of expert consultants blend their knowledge with a deep human insight; each brings wisdom born of experience and skilled cultural observation.



#### **EFFICIENCY**

Unique expertise in translating scientific knowledge into applicable and concrete business solutions.



#### **FLEXIBILITY**

Your reality first! Powerful tailor-made solutions that unleash transformative change.



#### RELIABILITY

Anchored in rigorous academic theory, our data-driven analysis pinpoints the role and scope of culture in your organisation's success.



#### **SENIORITY**

A European organisation, founded in 1985. We have worked with some of the world's largest organisations.

