About the IFPSM

The International Federation of Purchasing and Supply Management (IFPSM) is the union of 44 National and Regional Purchasing Associations worldwide. Within this circle, about 250,000 Purchasing and Supply Management Professionals can be reached.

IFPSM is the global, leading platform in purchasing and supply chain management, which serves the development of the profession and member organisations.

IFPSM offers membership to associations from across the world that operate within the purchasing, procurement and supply management sectors. The Membership Value Proposition falls into a number of categories which provides a range of opportunities for the members that support their organisations development and through this support the development of the profession and practitioners while raising the profile of the association both nationally and internationally. Here is IFPSM Members in global:



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Why is the Global Standard important?

Supply Chain Professionals operate in a global market place but they gain their underpinning knowledge in many different ways using many different methodologies. How do employers know that their prospective employee's underpinning knowledge is good enough? When a student invests time, effort and money on a program of study in supply chain management, how do they know that it will be relevant to their future needs and valued by employers?

Employers know that their staff have achieved a core level of underpinning knowledge, and that it has been effectively taught and assessed – they have an assurance that the program is of high quality and covers the key underpinning knowledge required of all purchasing and supply professionals.

Students know that the program will teach them what the procurement or supply chain industry knows they need, that they will be taught and assessed properly, and that their qualification will have status around the world.

Program providers know that they are providing what industry wants and have external confirmation that their programs are relevant, effectively taught and assessed and can use the assessment process to ensure they are working to a world standard.



Global Standard

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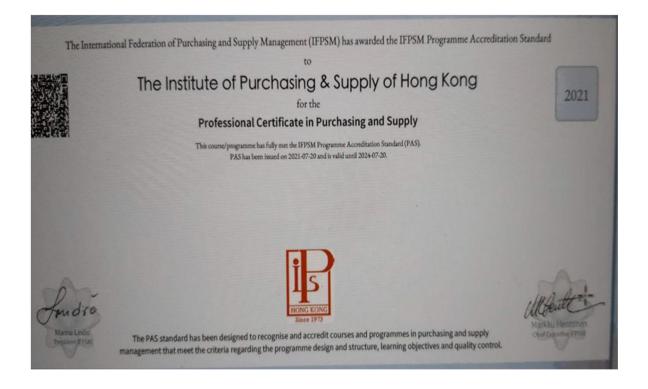
IFPSM Programme Accreditation Standard

The introduction of the IFPSM Global Standard which has been developed to recognise and accredit full degree equivalent programmes has generated the need to develop a more elementary curriculum assessment which recognises those programmes that train in the fundamentals of procurement and supply. These programmes are more often than not a number of learning levels below the Global Standard (GS). However, all programmes submitted for assessment to the PAS must meet the requirement of delivering no less than 150 learning hours in the field of procurement and/or supply chain management.

World Recognition and Status – Programs which meet the criteria are recognised and accredited as holders of the Global Standard.

Continuous Updating – Programs are reassessed every three years to ensure that they continue to be world class and relevant to the requirements of professionals.

The course Professional Certificate in Purchasing and Supply is successfully awarded IFPSM Programme Accreditation Standard (PAS) since 20 July 2021 and is valid until 20 July 2024.



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