

# **CROSS CULTURE**

"We have ignored cultural literacy in thinking about education. We ignore the air we breathe until it is thin or foul. Cultural literacy is the oxygen of social intercourse."- E.D. Hirsch Jr.

## **Objectives:**

- To aid participants in developing their skills in dealing with global customersby helping them understand:
  - The context of the business culture
  - Expectations of prospective customer from various cultures
  - o Protocols to be followed when working with people at various management levels across global cultures

## **Training Topics:**

- Framing Your Thoughts:
  - Inductive vs Deductive Thinking
  - Thinking in bullets
- **Expressing Your Points:** 
  - Intonation
  - Speed of Speech-
  - Expression
  - Tone of Speech
  - Expressing thoughts as signposts
- **Ensuring You Understand and Are Understood:** 
  - Asking questions
  - Pausing/Silence
  - Asking for confirmation of understanding
  - Avoiding multi-themes
  - Content vs Structure Words Using only content words



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## • Effectively Communicating with Global Cultures:

- o Understanding cultural aspects that affect business protocols
- o Structuring one's communication based on the culture of the audience
- o Presenting information based on the culture of the target audience
- o The importance of relationship building and ways to build relationships
- o Best practices in E-mail protocols to be followed with global cultures
- Norms to be followed during meetings and conference calls when dealing with prospects/customers from global cultures

# Negotiation and Conflict Resolution:

- The importance of relationship building in various cultures and its impact on negotiation
- Understanding negotiation styles across cultures
- Focal points of negotiation for Western and Eastern cultures
- Building rapport when dealing with prospects/customers
- Dealing with conflict based on the culture of the person you are dealing with
- The art of saying 'no' based on the cultural context of the situation

#### Working with prospects/customers from various levels of management:

- Dealing with first level managers, middle level managers and senior management
- Varying one's communication style when communicating with various levels of management
- o Understanding the importance of hierarchy in Asian and European cultures
- Asserting oneself with different levels of stakeholders/customers
- Do's and don'ts in interpersonal communication with various management levels across global cultures

#### **Duration of Training:**

The duration of the training will be 16 hours



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## **Training Methodology:**

- Activities which enhance their understanding of theoretical concepts will be used
- Role-plays will be used to enable the trainees to look at situations from various perspectives
- PowerPoint will be used to teach concepts and show movie clips (where appropriate)
- The training will be centered around experiential learning techniques

#### **Resources Required:**

- Momentum Training Solutions will conduct the training
- Maximum number of participants to a session will be 15
- The training will be conducted at a venue organized by your organization
- The LCD projector & computer will be provided by your organization
- Handouts will be printed/photocopied by your organization

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