



# Strategic Management and Leadership (SML) Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Background**

"Strategic Management and Leadership" is a core module in Certified Banker Stage (CB Stage). This module aims to provide individuals with the knowledge, tools and techniques to understand and be prepared for strategic planning, implementation and management with relevant leadership skillsets. Samples from international and local banking industries will be incorporated in the content for learners to have a better understanding of strategic management around the globe.

### 1. Is Strategic Management and Leadership a compulsory module for CB Stage learners?

Effective 27 May 2024, all new applications for the CB Stage will adhere to a new programme structure. Under the new programme structure, Strategic Management and Leadership is a mandatory module for the CB Stage.

#### 2. Who should consider studying the Strategic Management and Leadership?

Besides CB Stage learners, this module is also suitable for all CB and ECF learners or professional qualification holders at any stage if they are aspiring to advance their career to senior management level within a bank. It has been designed to instil a strategic mindset to learners, equip learners with the necessary knowledge, tools and techniques to understand and excel in strategic planning, implementation, and management, and develop learners' relevant leadership skillsets.

### 3. What is the entry requirement of Strategic Management and Leadership?

This module is open to all banking practitioners. Learners would be able to obtain a Certificate of Achievement upon successful completion of the module.

When they continue their pursuance of Certified Banker Professional Qualification in future, they will have to fulfil the respective entry requirements as well as the years of relevant work experience.

4. What are the module components of Strategic Management and Leadership?

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There are two components of the module:

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<u>Part A</u> consists of a self-paced e-learning offered by London Institute of Banking & Finance (LIBF) which covers knowledge of Strategic Management and Leadership in a global context.

<u>Part B</u> requires the learners to attend sharing sessions which cover additional tailored and localised contents offered by the Hong Kong Institute of Bankers (HKIB).

Learners are expected to complete both parts.

### 5. What will I be expecting to do in Strategic Management and Leadership after enrolment?

#### Part A

You will be receiving an "account activation email" from London Institute of Banking & Finance (LIBF) to access to their platform and start your self-paced e-learning. You may keep track of your learning progress in the platform, and there will be a total of 12 topics of e-learning for you to complete. A self-test is included under each topic with no limit on attempts for you to check your understanding.

#### Part B

You will be receiving an email from HKIB with a selection of sharing sessions to choose from and confirm by replying to our email and inform us your selection in order to complete Part B.

The options of sharing sessions include:

- Top Bankers Sharing Sessions organised periodically by HKIB
- CEO Panel and other panels in HKIB Annual Banking Conference

#### 6. What language will be used in Strategic Management and Leadership?

The self-paced e-learning and study materials for Part A are offered in English only. while sharing sessions for Part B will be conducted in either English or Chinese.

### 7. If I experience any difficulty while taking the self-paced e-learning in Part A, from whom should I seek support?

There will be a discussion forum open for all learners of Part A to submit questions or enquiries. Tutor from LIBF will take care of learners' questions posted in the forum on regular basis.

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#### 8. Is there any module assessment for Strategic Management and Leadership?

There is no module assessment for this module but only self-tests after each chapter to check your understanding

Candidates who are pursuing CB Stage would be assessed on their knowledge on Strategic and Management Leadership in the CB Stage Final Case Study Assessment (Take Home Assignment) + Oral Assessment.

### 9. What will I be awarded after the completion of Strategic Management and Leadership?

Upon completion of this module, you will be awarded with a Certificate of Achievement jointly issued by HKIB and LIBF.

### 10. What is the time requirement for me to complete Strategic Management and Leadership?

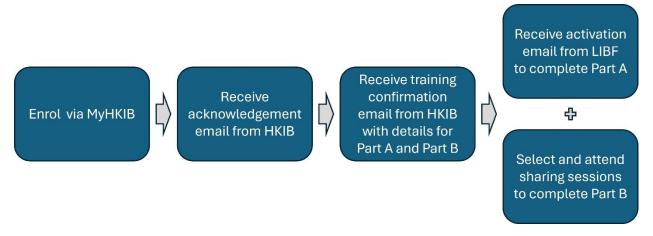
You are required to complete this module within 12 months after successful registration.

### 11. How many CPD hours do I gain after completing Strategic Management and Leadership?

You will gain a total of 12 CPD hours upon completion of Part A.

You will gain respective CPD hours based on the duration of sharing sessions you have attended for Part B.

### 12. How to register for Strategic Management and Leadership?



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## 13. How can I know if I have been successfully registered for Strategic Management and Leadership?

You will receive an auto acknowledgement email immediately from HKIB upon successful payment. Then, you will receive another confirmation email with instructions from HKIB within two working days.

### 14. Can I apply for a refund if I withdraw the application?

Once the training application is confirmed, all fees are non-refundable and non-transferrable.

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