

BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND CRISIS MANAGEMENT | COURSE BROCHURE

Disaster Recovery for IT Systems

5 days | Classroom training | English

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Why attend

IT disaster recovery restores systems and data after outages, cyber attacks or site loss. This course covers DR planning: system criticality, recovery strategies, backup and replication, cloud recovery options, DR runbooks, testing, roles and integration with business continuity.

Many organisations discover their backups do not work only during a disaster. You will learn to build and test reliable IT recovery.

Professional Problems This Course Is Designed to Solve

• Difficulty translating subject knowledge into practical workplace decisions.
• Inconsistent approaches to the activities covered in the course outline.
• Lack of a structured plan for applying and reviewing new skills.

Course methodology

Strategy comparison exercises, runbook development, DR test planning and case studies.

Course objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:
• Assess IT system criticality and dependencies
• Select disaster recovery strategies
• Design backup and replication approaches
• Use cloud-based recovery options
• Write DR runbooks
• Plan and run DR tests

Target audience

This course is suitable for:
• IT managers and infrastructure staff
• Disaster recovery coordinators
• Business continuity managers
• IT auditors
• Cloud architects



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Target competencies

Participants will develop competencies in:

- Criticality assessment
- Recovery strategy
- Backup design
- Runbook writing
- DR testing

Course outline

Day 1: Disaster Recovery

09:00–10:08	Threats to IT
10:08–11:00	DR and continuity
11:00–11:30	**Coffee break**
11:30–11:45	DR and continuity (continued)
11:45–12:53	Objectives
12:53–14:00	Exercise

Day 2: Strategies

09:00–10:08	Hot, warm and cold sites
10:08–11:00	Replication
11:00–11:30	**Coffee break**
11:30–11:45	Replication (continued)
11:45–12:53	Cloud recovery
12:53–14:00	Workshop

Day 3: Backups

09:00–10:08	Backup design
10:08–11:00	Immutable backups
11:00–11:30	**Coffee break**



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11:30–11:45	Immutable backups (continued)
11:45–12:53	Restore testing
12:53–14:00	Exercise

Day 4: Runbooks

09:00–10:08	Runbook structure
10:08–11:00	Roles
11:00–11:30	**Coffee break**
11:30–11:45	Roles (continued)
11:45–12:53	Communication
12:53–14:00	Drafting

Day 5: Testing

09:00–10:08	Test types
10:08–11:00	Running tests
11:00–11:30	**Coffee break**
11:30–11:45	Running tests (continued)
11:45–12:53	Lessons learned
12:53–14:00	Action plan

The timings provided are estimates and may vary depending on the number of participants and the discussions taking place during the sessions. They are indicative only and do not constitute a binding commitment.



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Dates, venues and fees

Current published course plans. Fees are per participant in GBP, excluding unconfirmed taxes.

Venue	Start date	End date	Fee (GBP)
Barcelona Confirmed dates	16 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	**£2,840.–**
Online Confirmed dates	16 Nov 2026	20 Nov 2026	**£1,250.–**
Istanbul Confirmed dates	7 Dec 2026	11 Dec 2026	**£2,650.–**
Online Confirmed dates	7 Dec 2026	11 Dec 2026	**£1,250.–**
Vienna Confirmed dates	4 Jan 2027	8 Jan 2027	**£2,940.–**
Online Confirmed dates	4 Jan 2027	8 Jan 2027	**£1,250.–**
London Confirmed dates	25 Jan 2027	29 Jan 2027	**£2,450.–**
Online Confirmed dates	25 Jan 2027	29 Jan 2027	**£1,250.–**
Cape Town Confirmed dates	15 Feb 2027	19 Feb 2027	**£1,890.–**



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Online Confirmed dates	15 Feb 2027	19 Feb 2027	**£1,250.–**
Barcelona Confirmed dates	8 Mar 2027	12 Mar 2027	**£2,840.–**
Online Confirmed dates	8 Mar 2027	12 Mar 2027	**£1,250.–**
Dubai Confirmed dates	29 Mar 2027	2 Apr 2027	**£3,150.–**
Online Confirmed dates	29 Mar 2027	2 Apr 2027	**£1,250.–**
Cape Town Confirmed dates	12 Apr 2027	16 Apr 2027	**£1,890.–**
Online Confirmed dates	12 Apr 2027	16 Apr 2027	**£1,250.–**
Paris Confirmed dates	3 May 2027	7 May 2027	**£2,860.–**
Online Confirmed dates	3 May 2027	7 May 2027	**£1,250.–**



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Amsterdam Confirmed dates	24 May 2027	28 May 2027	**£2,540.-**
Online Confirmed dates	24 May 2027	28 May 2027	**£1,250.-**
Rome Confirmed dates	14 Jun 2027	18 Jun 2027	**£2,450.-**
Online Confirmed dates	14 Jun 2027	18 Jun 2027	**£1,250.-**
Kuala Lumpur Confirmed dates	5 Jul 2027	9 Jul 2027	**£1,450.-**
Online Confirmed dates	5 Jul 2027	9 Jul 2027	**£1,250.-**
Rome Confirmed dates	19 Jul 2027	23 Jul 2027	**£2,450.-**
Online Confirmed dates	19 Jul 2027	23 Jul 2027	**£1,250.-**
Dubai Confirmed dates	9 Aug 2027	13 Aug 2027	**£3,150.-**



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Online Confirmed dates	9 Aug 2027	13 Aug 2027	**£1,250.-**
Cape Town Confirmed dates	30 Aug 2027	3 Sept 2027	**£1,890.-**
Online Confirmed dates	30 Aug 2027	3 Sept 2027	**£1,250.-**
London Confirmed dates	20 Sept 2027	24 Sept 2027	**£2,450.-**
Online Confirmed dates	20 Sept 2027	24 Sept 2027	**£1,250.-**
Vienna Confirmed dates	11 Oct 2027	15 Oct 2027	**£2,940.-**
Online Confirmed dates	11 Oct 2027	15 Oct 2027	**£1,250.-**
Frankfurt Confirmed dates	25 Oct 2027	29 Oct 2027	**£2,650.-**
Online Confirmed dates	25 Oct 2027	29 Oct 2027	**£1,250.-**



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Online Confirmed dates	15 Nov 2027	19 Nov 2027	**£1,250.-**
Rome Confirmed dates	6 Dec 2027	10 Dec 2027	**£2,450.-**
Online Confirmed dates	6 Dec 2027	10 Dec 2027	**£1,250.-**

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