

PRINCE2 is an internationally accepted project management method prescribing best practice in how to manage a project in a logical, organized way.

The PRINCE2 method addresses project management with four integrated elements of principles, themes, processes and the project environment. It provides for the explicit recognition of project responsibilities so that participants understand each other's roles and needs, whilst providing a defined structure for accountability, delegation, authority and communication.

PRINCE2 has established itself worldwide as one of the most widely accepted methods for managing projects. This is largely due to the fact that PRINCE2 is truly generic: it can be applied to any project regardless of project scale, type, organization, geography or culture.

PRINCE2 achieves this by isolating the management aspects of project work from the specialist contributions, such as design and construction. The specialist aspects of any type of project are easily integrated with PRINCE2 and, used alongside the method, provide a secure overall framework for project work.

Because PRINCE2 is generic and based on proven principles, organizations adopting the method as a

standard can substantially improve their organizational capability and maturity across multiple areas of business activity.

A global network of PRINCE2 Accredited Training & Accredited Consulting Organizations offer the approved training and consultancy services you need, whether you are an individual seeking to expand your skill set or an organization that has adopted (or plan to adopt) PRINCE2.

The PRINCE2 scheme consists of three qualifications:

PRINCE2 Foundation

The PRINCE2 foundation exam is designed to confirm that a candidate has sufficient knowledge and understanding of the PRINCE2 method to be able to work effectively with, or as a member of, a project management team working within a PRINCE2 environment. It is a one hour, multiple-choice exam composed of 75 questions. Candidates must achieve a minimum score of 50% to pass.

PRINCE2 Practitioner

The practitioner exam is designed to assess a candidate's understanding of how to apply and tailor PRINCE2 to a scenario situation. A successful candidate should, with suitable direction, be able to start applying the method to a real project. It is an objective test exam which lasts two and a half hours. There are 9 questions with 12 marks available per question, and candidates must achieve a minimum of 59 marks (55%) to pass.

PRINCE2 Professional

PRINCE2 Practitioners who have experience of running projects can now go on to the higher PRINCE2 Professional level. Candidate knowledge and experience is tested through observation on a two day Assessment Centre. There is no training or examination associated with this level. Ask us for further details.



APMG-International PRINCE2® Professional Certification



The PRINCE2 Professional qualification is the next step for current PRINCE2 practitioners looking to further demonstrate their expertise in this globally recognized project management methodology.

Following the PRINCE2 Foundation and Practitioner examinations, which assess a candidate's knowledge and understanding of the method, many candidates ask the question: "What next?"

The PRINCE2 Professional qualification tests, through a two day residential Assessment Centre, a candidate's ability to manage a non-complex PRINCE2 project across all aspects of the project lifecycle.

In order to test this, the PRINCE2 Professional qualification moves outside the boundaries of the PRINCE2 method and syllabus, and includes globally recognized project management competencies.

Through observation of group activities and exercises, Evaluators assess a candidate against pre-defined performance criteria to determine competence in managing a PRINCE2 project, as well as broader competencies of a project manager.

What is assessed?

Each candidate is assessed against pre-defined performance criteria including:

- Preparing and refining the business case
- Designing the project management team structure
- Planning the project and preparing key project documentation
- Performing product-based planning
- Applying risk management, communication and issue/change control procedures
- Planning and conducting project closure
- Managing own and team performance

Assessment centres are made up of a minimum of six and maximum of 16 candidates, with at least two approved Evaluators and an assessment centre Moderator.

Candidates are observed discussing and solving problems relating to a project case study, and interviewed by their Moderator(s) on an individual basis. A rating scale is used for Evaluators to determine a candidate's performance against each individual performance criteria.

Pre-requisites

Suitable candidates will have experience of managing non-complex projects or will have been a team member of a more complex project. Candidates must also be a PRINCE2 Practitioner.

What Next?

Assessment Centres are managed and delivered by approved PRINCE2 Assessment/Training Organizations. Details of all approved organizations can be found on our website – www.apmg-international.com. Assessment centre fees may vary.

