

## **MODULE DESCRIPTOR**

## **Module Title**

Commercial Value Creation				
Reference	SUM405	Version	2	
Created	May 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 11	
Approved	June 2012	SCQF Points	15	
Amended	December 2017	ECTS Points	7.5	

### Aims of Module

To facilitate a critical undertsanding of tools and techniques appropriate to commercial value creation.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Critically evaluate the requirements for value creation in the energy sectors.
- 2 Propose and develop the business case for market testing within a commercial environment.
- 3 Analyse and apply commercial value creation techniques within the energy sectors.

### **Indicative Module Content**

Pre-contract process; the importance of competition; market testing / understanding contractor landscape; developing the business case for market testing; client and contractor alignment techniques; pre-qualifying & selecting suppliers for market testing (including available technology & industry data bases); competitive forces analysis; power positioning analysis; supplier positioning analysis; performance alignment techniques; managing the bidding & market test process; purchase price cost analysis methodologies; whole-life value assessment, industry based, real world case studies and scenarios.

### Module Delivery

The module is delivered in Distance Learning Mode by self directed web-based learning materials supported by on-line tutorial support and discussion forums.

Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	N/A	70
Non-Contact Hours	N/A	80
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A	150
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

#### **ASSESSMENT PLAN** If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only. **Component 1** Type: Coursework Weighting: 40% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2 Normally a longitudinal assessment involving topic discussion forums (20%) and a group Description: presentation (20%). **Component 2** Type: Coursework Weighting: 60% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3 Description: An individual written piece of work.

# MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

### **Explanatory Text**

In order to pass the module students must achieve 40% or greater in each component.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:	
Α	70% or greater	
В	60% or greater	
С	50% or greater	
D	40% or greater	
E	35% or greater	
F	Less than 35%	
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination	

Module Requirements			
None in addition to course entry requirements or equivalent.			
None.			
None.			

# **ADDITIONAL NOTES**

This module is a core part of the MSc Commercial Practice for the Energy Sectors. The module may be taken as a stand-alone study package.

### INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

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