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# **AFB TRAINING: THE CHARTERED BANKER INSTITUTE CERTIFICATE IN GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE FINANCE**

## THE CHARTERED BANKER INSTITUTE CERTIFICATE IN GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE FINANCE

The AFB is proud to partner with the Chartered Banker Institute to offer AFB members the opportunity to study the Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance (CGSF).

The **Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance** is a global benchmark qualification designed to equip finance professionals with the knowledge and skills to align finance with sustainability goals, including those outlined in the Paris Agreement.

The qualification is designed to develop learners' knowledge, understanding and ability to apply the key principles and core practice of green and sustainable finance. This includes increasing awareness of climate change and its impacts, climate and environmental risks, the evolution of green and sustainable financial products and services, and the role of the finance sector in supporting the transition to a low-carbon world.

The Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance aims to:

- Understand the science of climate change and its impacts.
- Explore climate risks, environmental sustainability, and emerging risks.
- Learn about green and sustainable financial products and services in banking, investment, and insurance.
- Recognise the role of finance professionals in supporting the transition to a low-carbon economy.
- Develop practical knowledge of how regulators, policymakers, institutions and finance professionals can support the mainstreaming of green and sustainable finance.

## COURSE OVERVIEW

The Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance now encompasses broader aspects of sustainability, aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals, although the focus remains on “green”. The format of the course is:

- A guided self-study supported by a wide range of interactive e-learning units, including audio and visual resources, and online quizzes and knowledge checks;
  - A 12-unit programme that can be completed in as little as 12 weeks although registration lasts for 1 year, so you can also work through at your own pace;
  - The course is assessed via a 90-minute, 75 multiple choice questions exam. To pass, a minimum score of 60% is required. Exams can be taken remotely or at your nearest test centre.
  - To study the Certificate, learners must become a member of the Institute. An annual subscription fee of £45.00 is included as part of the course fees;
  - Upon completion, learners will be entitled to use the designation GSFP (Green and Sustainable Finance Professional).
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| MODULES                                                                                                                                                                                       | LEARNING OUTCOMES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| An introduction to Green and Sustainable Finance, and Climate Change and Our Changing World                                                                                                   | Explain what is meant by 'green' and 'sustainable' finance, the key factors that underpin the science of climate change, and the ways in which the finance sector can support the transition to a sustainable, low-carbon economy.                                                                              |
| Building a Sustainable Financial System, and Measuring and Reporting Impacts, Alignment and Flows of Green and Sustainable Finance                                                            | Explain the role of a range of key players and policy and regulatory frameworks in building and supporting a sustainable financial system, and the importance of monitoring, measuring and reporting the flow of investment to support the transition to a sustainable, low-carbon world.                       |
| Risk Management                                                                                                                                                                               | Examine the nature and importance of key climate-related and environmental risks, the role of financial services in the financial system, and how different types of financial services activity, products and services can improve the quality and functioning of the natural environment and natural systems. |
| Responsible Retail, Commercial and Corporate Banking, Green and Sustainable Bonds, Central and Development Banks, Responsible and Sustainable Investment, and Insurance - Impact Underwriting | Describe the role of retail, commercial, and wholesale banking, and the role of central and development banks, in supporting the development of green and sustainable finance and the transition to a low-carbon economy.                                                                                       |
| Green and Sustainable FinTech, and The Future of Green and Sustainable Finance                                                                                                                | Explain the role of financial technology in supporting the growth of green and sustainable finance, and the steps that regulators, policymakers, institutions, organisations and Green and Sustainable Finance Professionals™ can take to support the mainstreaming of green and sustainable finance.           |

## ABOUT THE CHARTERED BANKER INSTITUTE (CBI)

The CBI is a global professional education body for bankers, based in the UK. Established by Royal Charter, it is a not-for-profit educational charity with a mission to enhance and sustain socially purposeful, responsible, professional banking in the public interest.

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## FURTHER INFORMATION

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## PRICING

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