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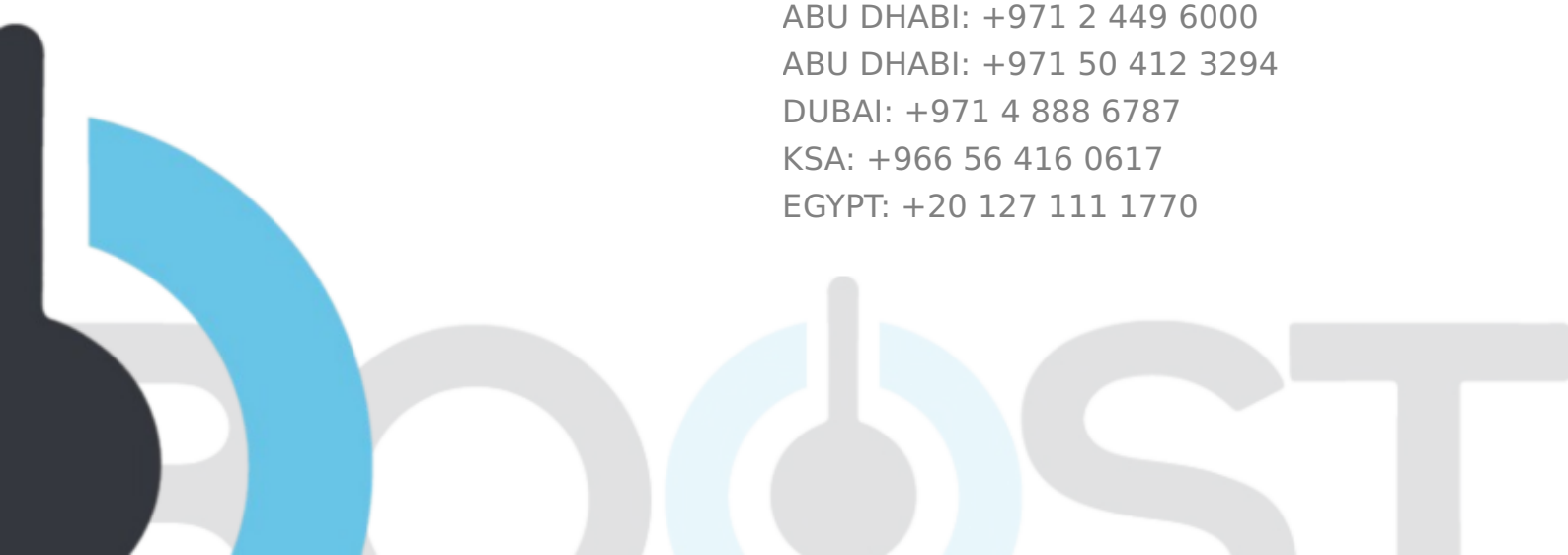
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Course Introduction

Every project moves forward on assumptions. Teams make expectations about resource availability, stakeholder behavior, approvals, productivity, technical conditions, supplier performance, access, demand and external dependencies long before all of them can be confirmed. The real danger is not the existence of assumptions; projects could not progress without them. The danger begins when an assumption quietly becomes treated as a fact while major project decisions continue to depend on it.

BOOST Consulting & Training presents **Project Assumption Intelligence**, a practical program designed to transform assumptions from static planning statements into **actively monitored project intelligence**. The course helps participants uncover hidden assumptions, trace the decisions and deliverables that depend on them, determine what evidence would strengthen or weaken each assumption, detect early signs of deterioration, and establish clear response triggers so the project can adapt before an invalid assumption becomes delay, rework, cost escalation or disruption.

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Target Audience

Project and program managers, PMO professionals, project controls specialists, project planners, and professionals responsible for project delivery and decision-making.

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Learning Objectives

- ✓ Identify explicit and hidden assumptions across project activities.
- ✓ Distinguish assumptions from facts, constraints, dependencies and risks.
- ✓ Trace critical project decisions and deliverables back to their underlying assumptions.
- ✓ Assess assumptions according to uncertainty and potential project impact.
- ✓ Define evidence and signals that indicate whether an assumption remains valid.
- ✓ Establish practical triggers for reassessment and project response.
- ✓ Build a dynamic assumption intelligence system throughout the project lifecycle.

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✓ Day 01

Exposing the Assumptions Behind the Project

Finding What the Project Is Taking for Granted

- ✓ Identifying assumptions embedded in scope, schedule, cost, resources and technical planning
- ✓ Revealing assumptions hidden inside estimates, commitments and stakeholder expectations
- ✓ Distinguishing genuine assumptions from facts, constraints and confirmed conditions

Discovering Hidden Assumptions

- ✓ Using project decisions and plans to work backward to unstated expectations
- ✓ Identifying assumptions inherited from previous projects or standard practices
- ✓ Building an initial Assumption Landscape across the project

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✓ Day 02

Mapping What Depends on Each Assumption

Building Assumption Dependency Chains

- ✓ Linking assumptions to activities, milestones, decisions and deliverables
- ✓ Identifying multiple project elements dependent on the same assumption
- ✓ Tracing how failure of one assumption can create cascading consequences

Determining Assumption Criticality

- ✓ Evaluating uncertainty together with potential impact
- ✓ Distinguishing harmless assumptions from those capable of changing project direction
- ✓ Prioritizing assumptions that require active management attention

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✓ Day 03

Turning Assumptions into Testable Intelligence

Defining Evidence of Validity

- ✓ Determining what information would strengthen or weaken an assumption
- ✓ Replacing vague confidence with observable evidence
- ✓ Establishing when and how critical assumptions should be tested

Detecting Weakening Signals

- ✓ Identifying changes that suggest an assumption may no longer hold
- ✓ Combining multiple weak signals before drawing conclusions
- ✓ Distinguishing temporary variation from meaningful deterioration

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✓ Day 04

Responding Before the Assumption Fails

Designing Assumption Triggers

- ✓ Establishing thresholds that initiate review or intervention
- ✓ Matching trigger sensitivity to assumption criticality
- ✓ Defining when monitoring should become management action

Adapting the Project Response

- ✓ Choosing between validation, adjustment, contingency activation and replanning
- ✓ Revisiting dependent decisions before consequences become embedded
- ✓ Coordinating responses across interconnected activities and stakeholders

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✓ Day 05

Building an Assumption Intelligence System

Managing Assumptions Through Change

- ✓ Updating assumptions as evidence and project conditions evolve
- ✓ Retiring assumptions once uncertainty has been resolved
- ✓ Capturing patterns that improve assumption quality in future project planning

Project Assumption Intelligence Lab

- ✓ Managing a project scenario containing interconnected hidden assumptions
- ✓ Detecting weakening evidence and deciding when intervention is justified
- ✓ Building a Project Assumption Intelligence Framework for workplace application

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