



Certification training

Certified International Supply Chain Manager

CISCM

Preparation for the IPSCMI CISCM exam

Training for the IPSCMI CISCM exam, level two of its supply chain track: planning and designing the chain, leading its execution, and controlling performance and risk.

Delivered by Vertex Business, a professional certification training provider.



4 modules

from planning to control



Level two

after CISP



Management decisions

not operations alone



Plan with us

before you enrol

Program details and enrolment

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From running one link to managing the whole chain.



About the training

A supply chain manager does more than run one link: they decide the network's shape, stock levels across its sites and how performance is measured. CISCMI covers these decisions with tools such as SCOR, DDMRP and the balanced scorecard.

The exam at a glance

80 questions multiple choice	3 hours exam time	4 modules in the curriculum
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Per IPSCMI's CISCMI page, accessed 15 October 2026. The exam is proctored, and the credential is renewed every five years.

What the exam measures



Models and frameworks

What SCOR, DDMRP and MEIO mean and when each applies.



The manager's decision

Choosing the right design, policy or measure for a management situation.

APPLIED ITEMS

How to read a management item

01

Find the stage

Planning, design, execution or control?

02

Find the goal

Service, cost, agility or risk?

03

Pick the tool

The framework that answers with the fewest assumptions.

For those leading a team or a decision in supply chain.



This suits you if you:

- ✓ **Hold CISCP or an equivalent**
And want to move from concepts to management decisions.
- ✓ **Supervise a supply team**
And need tools to assign roles and measure performance.
- ✓ **Help design the network**
Such as choosing warehouse sites or service providers.
- ✓ **Track supply risk**
And want a structured way to assess and respond to it.



Roles at this level

Illustrative roles that use this knowledge; IPSCMI does not require a specific job title.

- ✓ **Supply chain manager**
Balances service and cost across buying, storage and transport.
- ✓ **Supply planning manager**
Sets inventory policies and stock locations across the network.
- ✓ **Supplier relationship manager**
Evaluates key suppliers and develops the partnership.
- ✓ **Supply chain performance analyst**
Builds the indicators and finds the source of any decline.

ELIGIBILITY AND EXAM

Before you apply for the exam

Entry condition

An Associate (AA) degree or 3+ years' experience, plus CISCP or an equivalent.

The exam

80 multiple-choice questions in three hours, proctored.

Equivalence and where to apply

What counts as equivalent to CISCP, and how to apply in your country: check with the issuer.

Eligibility and exam on IPSCMI's official page [↗](#)

The four CISCMI modules

IPSCMI divides CISCMI into four modules that follow the management cycle: plan, organize and design, lead and execute, then control.

CISCMI curriculum

Supply Chain Planning

The SCOR model

Demand-driven planning (DDMRP)

Multi-echelon inventory (MEIO)

Organization and Design

Network and site design

Supply team structure

Reverse logistics

Leadership and Execution

Supplier relationship management

Cross-functional coordination

Leading process change

Control

Balanced scorecard

Risk assessment and response

Reviewing and correcting performance



The next level after CISCMI

CISCMI sits at level two of the IPSCMI track and assumes core supply chain concepts, so the training starts from the management decision, not definitions.

Source: IPSCMI's CISCMI page, accessed 15 October 2026. Items under each module are an illustrative summary of its subtopics.

Decisions that shape the chain before it runs.

Each axis is applied to the supply network of a fictional regional distributor whose data changes from session to session.

01 Planning and design

Modelling the chain with SCOR, setting inventory decoupling points, and designing the network and returns flow.

Applied example Entering a new market: another warehouse or a provider?

02 Leadership and suppliers

Segmenting suppliers, building relationships with key ones, and aligning sales, operations and finance.

Applied example A key supplier asks for a longer contract in return for delivery priority.

03 Performance and risk

The balanced scorecard, service and cost measures, and a supply risk map with response plans.

Applied example A major port closure threatens a third of all items.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

What you will be able to do

01 Describe the chain in SCOR terms

Plan, source, make, deliver and return.

02 Propose an inventory policy

That reflects network sites and demand variability.

03 Build balanced indicators

Linking chain performance to company goals.

04 Rank supply risks

By likelihood and impact, with a plan for each.

Management is learned through cases, not memorization.



Management cases

One short case per module asking for one decision; write the rationale in two lines, then weigh the alternatives.

Builds the habit the management items need.



Framework table

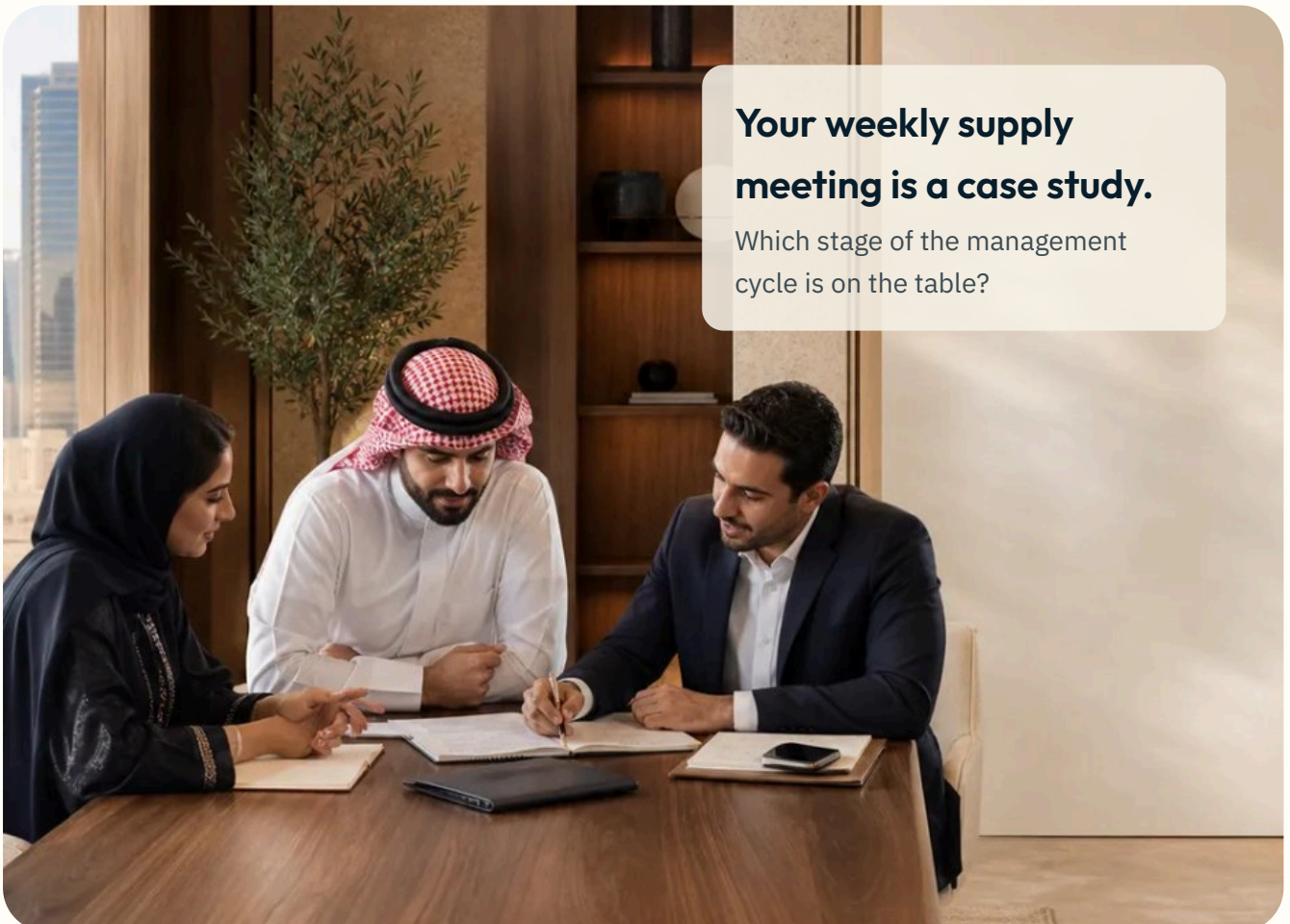
SCOR, DDMRP, MEIO and the scorecard side by side: purpose, inputs and when to use each.

Mixing up frameworks is a common error.



A plan that fits your time

Study format, dates and any accompanying materials are confirmed with the Vertex Business team before enrolment, based on your level and available time.



Your weekly supply meeting is a case study.

Which stage of the management cycle is on the table?



STUDY PLAN

A practical plan from your starting point to exam day.

01 Refresh the CISC P base

The chain concepts this credential builds on.

02 Start with planning

SCOR, DDMRP and MEIO with simple numbers.

03 Move to design

Network, structure and reverse logistics.

04 Study leadership

Supplier relationships and cross-functional work.

05 Close with control

The balanced scorecard and risk assessment.

06 Practise the pace

80 questions in 180 minutes, reviewing every wrong answer.

Framework items

Naming the model or concept that describes a case.

Decision items

Choosing the policy or action that best serves the manager's goal.

“What impressed me most was the trainer’s care that the information landed and that everyone had a chance to take part... and pointing out what matters most in the material.”

— CPTD learner about the trainer after a session · translated from Arabic · published on the Vertex site

“An excellent session. I learned important things about the certification and benefited a lot... everything was explained so clearly that I had no questions left.”

— SHRM learner after a live session · translated from Arabic · published on the Vertex site

“This achievement would not have been possible without the support, guidance and training I received... which prepared me for the exam.”

— Learner who earned CPTD · translated from Arabic · public post shown on the Vertex site



About Vertex Business

Vertex Business provides professional certification training in talent development, human resources and project management, alongside a professional diploma in medical research and team training for organizations. Training pairs Arabic explanation that keeps the exam’s English terminology with application to real workplace decisions.

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Booking the exam

Applications, fees and scheduling for the CISCMI exam are handled by IPSCMI or its partner in your country.

[Official IPSCMI CISCMI page](#) 

COMPLETION CERTIFICATE AND PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIAL

Training completion requirements and the Vertex Business completion certificate are confirmed in the enrolment details.

The CISCMI professional credential itself is awarded by IPSCMI under its own requirements, after you pass its assessment.



Discuss your goal and choose how to study.



Scan with your phone camera

YOUR NEXT STEP

- ✓ Training topics and outcomes
- ✓ A level that fits your experience
- ✓ Available study formats and dates
- ✓ Details and price confirmed before enrolment

Open the program page →

01

Open the program page

Scan the code or tap the link.

02

Discuss your goal

Use the WhatsApp button on the program page.

03

Confirm the details

Study format, dates and price before enrolment.

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