



Key Account Management: Establishing Profitable  
Customer Relationships



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course code: C8120 From: 21 October - 1 November 2024 Venue: Milan (Italy) - course Fees: 4500 Euro

## Conference Objectives:

### By the end of the conference , participants will be able to:

- Improve margins and keep more profit.
- Prioritize efforts for maximum results.
- Develop a sales plan for each strategic (key) account to fully satisfy client needs and maximize customer value.
- Lead the buying process and close more sales.
- Maximize human capital utilization.
- Identify, evaluate and prioritize opportunities for business and relationship development.

### This conference is designed for:

Account managers, sales managers, sales people who are managing Key Accounts or have limited experience in managing accounts customers in a Business to Business environment. This program is worth 25 NASBA CPEs.

Note: Fundamental sales skills are assumed and will not be covered on this course.

## Conference Outline:

### Key Account Management

- What is a Key Account?
- Who Makes the Rules for Qualifying Key Accounts?
- Overview of Key Account Management: Business Perspectives and Trends; Customer Expectations; Profitable Growth Strategies

### Account Analysis, A Necessary Step Towards Defining and Selecting KA

- The Single-Factor Models
- The Portfolio Models
- The CALLPLAN Model
- Cost per Call and Break-Even Sales Volume Computation

### The Account Planning Process

- The Account Planning Process Criteria
- Analyze the Customer, Past Business, and Competition
- The Competitive Analysis Matrix
- The Customer Expectation Benchmark Matrix
- Developing Account Strategies
- Use of SWOT and TOWS Analysis
- Strategy Development Tools

### The Critical Role of Key Account Managers

- Understanding the Role and Responsibilities of KAMs
- Building and Leading Effective Key Account Teams

- Selection Criteria and Measuring Attractiveness
- Use of Resources versus Cost to Serve

### **The Key Account Relational Development Model**

- The Pre Relationship Stage
- The Early Relationship Stage
- The Mid Relationship Stage
- The Partnership Relationship Stage
- The Synergetic Relationship Stage

- Maximizing Sales through Effective Negotiation
- Negotiation Skills and Tactics
- Building Long-Term Customer Relationships and Trust
- Understanding the Importance of the Customer Service Function in KAM
- Relationship Selling: Rethinking the KA Sales Force
- Performance Challenges and Measurement Criteria