The European Certificate in Research Management is designed to support students to consolidate and develop the knowledge and skills required to be a successful research manager. You will learn how to: describe, analyse and signpost your professional competence; take responsibility for your professional learning; and demonstrate an informed awareness of national, international, institutional and other contexts that affect you, your work and your institution. The Certificate provides benefits for both students and their employers.

This is a fully accredited professional qualification for professional research managers employed in Research Performing Organisations (RPOs) and Research Funding Organisations (RFOs). It is validated by the UK Award for Training on Higher Education (ATHE) in accordance with the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) throughout Europe.

TUITION FEES

Certificate Fees (Payment made to ARMA)

EARMA member: €975 + 21% VAT

Non-member: €975 + 21% VAT

Price includes student registration for 30 months with ATHE, the assessment of six qualification units and certification

CRM Workshops

EARMA Member Unit 1 to Unit 5 : €425 + 21% VAT each unit

Non Member Unit 1 to Unit 5 : €535 + 21% VAT each unit

CRM Optional Unit

EARMA Member One online module €250 + 21% VAT

Non Member One online module €350 + 21% VAT
The European Certificate in Research Management requires students to complete five mandatory and one optional unit. Mandatory units are held as one day workshops and optional units are delivered online.

**Mandatory units**

- Developing and Implementing Policy and Strategy
- Understanding the International and European Research Environment
- Managing and Supporting the Development of a Project Portfolio
- Gender and Diversity in Research Management
- Working with Management Information

**Optional Units**

- Identifying New Opportunities for Funding
- Optimising Unit and Organisational Effectiveness
Course requirements

Students undertaking the European Certificate in Research Management can plan the pace at which they wish to complete the qualification. Upon registration, students are asked to identify a mentor and submit their Study Work Plan. This document informs EARMA about the student’s proposed study and assignment submission schedule.

The Certificate is a programme delivered through both formal and informal learning:

Formal learning

There is a requirement to undertake a minimum of 45 hours including at least 24 hours gained via EARMA workshops and 18 hours of contact time with your professional mentor. Other formal learning might include participation in the induction session, mentoring, work-shadowing, secondment or peer-support meetings.

Informal learning

EARMA encourages students to build up their professional network via the Alumni Network or with their fellow students to assist each other with day-to-day queries.

Professional mentor

All students will be required to identify an individual willing to act in the capacity of a professional mentor to support the student’s engagement with the qualification. Meetings involve up to 18 hours contact time with the professional mentor.

Participation easy checklist

Each student undertaking the European Certificate in Research Management is required to:

- Identify a professional mentor to support you
- Submit your Study Work Plan
- Choose your optional units
- Undertake 24 hours via EARMA workshops
- Undertake 18 hours contact time with your professional mentor.
- Undertake 135 hours self-guided learning (work shadowing, secondment or peer support)
- Reading, research and the preparation of written assignments.
- Complete assessed work for six units
- Submit your assignments for one optional and five mandatory units
- Submit your learning record sheets
What do the graduates think?

Laila, Denmark

I took part in the Certificate in Research Management because I wanted to formalise my external funding knowledge, so I thought the idea of meeting in Brussels combined with self-studies and an institution mentor was ideal. I learned that studying while also working full-time and writing strategically about your own institution and its external funding is challenging. I would recommend this course because the different subjects are brilliant, and the programme develops your strategic understanding of the connection between external funding and the strategies of your institution. Most importantly, I appreciate the great network that I have become a part of.