

**COURSE OVERVIEW PE0429**  
**Process Upsets, Troubleshooting and Optimisation**

**Course Title**

Process Upsets, Troubleshooting and Optimisation

**Course Date/Venue**

July 28-August 01, 2024/TBA Meeting Room, The H Hotel, Sheikh Zayed Road, Dubai, UAE

**Course Reference**

PE0429

**Course Duration/Credits**

Five days/3.0 CEUs/30 PDHs

**Course Description**



***This practical and highly-interactive course includes real-life case studies and exercises where participants will be engaged in a series of interactive small groups and class workshops.***



This course is designed to provide participants with a detailed and up-to-date overview of Process Upsets, Troubleshooting and Optimisation. It covers the types, common causes and examples of process upsets in various industries; the impact of process upsets covering safety implications, environmental impact and economic consequences; the systematic approach to problem-solving, effective data collection and data analysis; identifying the common issues with pumps, compressors and heat exchangers; the diagnostic techniques and tools, control loops and instrumentation; and diagnosing control system issues.



Further, the course will also discuss the common issues in chemical reactions and separation processes; diagnosing chemical process issues; the root cause analysis (RCA) and fault tree analysis (FTA); the impact of human error on process upsets and various strategies to mitigate human error; the process optimization, cost-benefit analysis, economic optimization and techniques for optimizing energy use in processes; and the Six Sigma methodology, Lean principles and their application to process optimization.

During this interactive course, participants will learn the statistical process control (SPC), design of experiments (DOE) and optimization of chemical reactions; the heat integration, energy recovery and reuse, process intensification and sustainability in process optimization; developing an integrated troubleshooting and optimization plan; identifying and managing risks and developing contingency plans for process upsets; the strategies for successful implementation, monitoring and measuring improvements and the tools and techniques for maintaining process gains; the importance of teamwork in troubleshooting and optimization; and effective communication strategies.

### **Course Objectives**

Upon the successful completion of this course, each participant will be able to:-

- Apply and gain an in-depth knowledge on process upsets, troubleshooting and optimization
- Identify the types of process upsets including the common causes and examples of process upsets in various industries
- Discuss the impact of process upsets covering safety implications, environmental impact and economic consequences
- Carryout systematic approach to problem-solving, effective data collection and data analysis
- Identify the common issues with pumps, compressors and heat exchangers and the diagnostic techniques and tools
- Discuss control loops and instrumentation, diagnose control system issues and identify the common issues in chemical reactions and separation processes
- Diagnose chemical process issues and apply root cause analysis (RCA) and fault tree analysis (FTA)
- Discuss the impact of human error on process upsets and various strategies to mitigate human error
- Apply process optimization, cost-benefit analysis, economic optimization and techniques for optimizing energy use in processes
- Explain Six Sigma methodology and Lean principles and their application to process optimization
- Recognize statistical process control (SPC), design of experiments (DOE) and optimization of chemical reactions
- Apply heat integration, energy recovery and reuse, process intensification and sustainability in process optimization
- Develop an integrated troubleshooting and optimization plan, identify and manage risks and develop contingency plans for process upsets
- Employ strategies for successful implementation, monitor and measure improvements and identify the tools and techniques for maintaining process gains
- Discuss the importance of teamwork in troubleshooting and optimization and apply effective communication strategies

### Exclusive Smart Training Kit - H-STK®



Participants of this course will receive the exclusive “Haward Smart Training Kit” (H-STK®). The H-STK® consists of a comprehensive set of technical content which includes **electronic version** of the course materials, sample video clips of the instructor’s actual lectures & practical sessions during the course conveniently saved in a **Tablet PC**.

### Who Should Attend

This course provides an overview of all significant aspects and considerations of process upsets, troubleshooting and optimization for managers, leaders, section heads, superintendents, supervisors, process engineers, production engineers, plant engineers and planning engineers.

### Training Methodology

All our Courses are including **Hands-on Practical Sessions** using equipment, State-of-the-Art Simulators, Drawings, Case Studies, Videos and Exercises. The courses include the following training methodologies as a percentage of the total tuition hours:-

- 30% Lectures
- 20% Practical Workshops & Work Presentations
- 30% Hands-on Practical Exercises & Case Studies
- 20% Simulators (Hardware & Software) & Videos

In an unlikely event, the course instructor may modify the above training methodology before or during the course for technical reasons.

### Course Fee

**US\$ 5,500** per Delegate + **VAT**. This rate includes H-STK® (Haward Smart Training Kit), buffet lunch, coffee/tea on arrival, morning & afternoon of each day.

### Accommodation

Accommodation is not included in the course fees. However, any accommodation required can be arranged at the time of booking.

**Course Certificate(s)**

Internationally recognized certificates will be issued to all participants of the course who completed a minimum of 80% of the total tuition hours.

**Certificate Accreditations**

Certificates are accredited by the following international accreditation organizations: -


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The International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET - USA)

Haward Technology is an Authorized Training Provider by the International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), 2201 Cooperative Way, Suite 600, Herndon, VA 20171, USA. In obtaining this authority, Haward Technology has demonstrated that it complies with the **ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard** which is widely recognized as the standard of good practice internationally. As a result of our Authorized Provider membership status, Haward Technology is authorized to offer IACET CEUs for its programs that qualify under the **ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard**.

Haward Technology’s courses meet the professional certification and continuing education requirements for participants seeking **Continuing Education Units (CEUs)** in accordance with the rules & regulations of the International Accreditors for Continuing Education & Training (IACET). IACET is an international authority that evaluates programs according to strict, research-based criteria and guidelines. The CEU is an internationally accepted uniform unit of measurement in qualified courses of continuing education.

Haward Technology Middle East will award **3.0 CEUs** (Continuing Education Units) or **30 PDHs** (Professional Development Hours) for participants who completed the total tuition hours of this program. One CEU is equivalent to ten Professional Development Hours (PDHs) or ten contact hours of the participation in and completion of Haward Technology programs. A permanent record of a participant’s involvement and awarding of CEU will be maintained by Haward Technology. Haward Technology will provide a copy of the participant’s CEU and PDH Transcript of Records upon request.

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British Accreditation Council (BAC)

Haward Technology is accredited by the **British Accreditation Council** for **Independent Further and Higher Education** as an **International Centre**. BAC is the British accrediting body responsible for setting standards within independent further and higher education sector in the UK and overseas. As a BAC-accredited international centre, Haward Technology meets all of the international higher education criteria and standards set by BAC.

### Course Instructor(s)

This course will be conducted by the following instructor(s). However, we have the right to change the course instructor(s) prior to the course date and inform participants accordingly:



**Mr. Mohammad Hamami**, is a **Senior Process Engineer** with an extensive practical experience within the **Oil, Gas, Refinery, Petrochemical** and **Power** industries. His experience covers **Clean Fuel** Technology & Standards, **Clean Fuel** Specification, Emission Regulation, **Crude Oil** Production, **Desulphurization**, Synthesis **Gas Production**, **Naphtha** Isomerization, **Diesel Fuel Additives**, **Storage Tanks** Filtration, **Fuel Quality** Inspection, **Process Plant** Troubleshooting & Engineering Problem Solving, **Process Equipment** Operation, **Process Plant** Operation, **Process Plant** Start-up & Commissioning, **Process Plant** Optimization, **Oil & Gas Field** Operation, **Oil Movement**, Storage & Troubleshooting, **Petroleum Refinery** Process, **Process Reactor** Operation & Troubleshooting, **LPG Oil & Gas** Operation & Troubleshooting, **Crude Oil & LNG** Storage, **LNG & LPG** Plants Gas Processing, **Refinery Process** Operations Technology, **Liquid Bulk Cargo Handling**, **Gas Conditioning** & Processing Technology, **Distillation Column** Design & Operation and **Gasoline & Diesel Fuel** Technology. Further he is also well-versed in **Refinery** Operational Economics & Profitability, Aromatics Manufacturing Process, **Hydrogen Production** Operation, **Steam Reforming** Technology, **Gas Treating**, **Hydro-treating & Hydro-Cracking**, **Catalyst** Material Handling, Gas Sweetening & Sulfur Recovery, Hydro Carbon Dew Point (HCDP) Control, **Heat Exchangers** & Fired Heaters, **Amine** Gas Sweetening, **Plastic Additives** Selection & Application, **Crude & Vacuum** Process Technology, **Flare & Pressure Relief Systems**, Stock Management & **Tank Dipping** Calculation, **NGL Recovery & Fractionation**, **Refrigerant & NGL** Extraction and **Catalytic Cracking & Reforming**.

During his long professional career, Mr. Mohammad worked as a **Refinery Manager**, **Operations Manager**, **Section Head/Superintendent** and **Process Engineer** for **Process Units**, **Utilities & Oil Movement** in various companies. He has been responsible for a number of **technological-driven world-scale hydrocarbon processing projects** from **beginning to successful start-up**.

Mr. Mohammad has a **Bachelor's** degree in **Chemical Engineering**. He is an **active member** of the **American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE)** and has presented **technical papers** at its **several national meetings**. He has largely participated in the **start-up of seven world-scale process plants** which made him an **International Expert** in **Process Plant Start-Up** and **Oil Movement** and a **Certified Instructor/Trainer**.

### Course Program

The following program is planned for this course. However, the course instructor(s) may modify this program before or during the workshop for technical reasons with no prior notice to participants. Nevertheless, the course objectives will always be met:

#### **Day 1: Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> of July 2024**

0730 – 0800	Registration & Coffee
0800 – 0815	Welcome & Introduction
0815 – 0830	<b>PRE-TEST</b>
0830 – 0930	<b>Introduction to Process Upsets &amp; Troubleshooting</b>
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1030	<b>Fundamentals of Process Upsets</b> Definition & Types of Process Upsets • Common Causes & Examples of Process Upsets in Various Industries
1030 – 1130	<b>Impact of Process Upsets</b> Safety Implications • Environmental Impact • Economic Consequences
1130 – 1215	<b>Troubleshooting</b> Basic Principles of Troubleshooting • Systematic Approach to Problem-Solving
1215 – 1230	Break
1230 – 1330	<b>Data Collection &amp; Analysis</b> Importance of Data in Troubleshooting • Techniques for Effective Data Collection • Tools for Data Analysis (e.g., Statistical Methods, Root Cause Analysis)
1330 – 1420	<b>Case Studies: Real-World Examples of Process Upsets</b> Analysis of Past Incidents • Lessons Learned & Best Practices
1420 – 1430	<b>Recap</b> Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Topics that were Discussed Today and Advise Them of the Topics to be Discussed Tomorrow
1430	Lunch & End of Day One

#### **Day 2: Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> of July 2024**

0730 – 0830	<b>Troubleshooting Process Equipment</b> Identifying Common Issues with Pumps, Compressors, & Heat Exchangers • Diagnostic Techniques & Tools
0830 – 0930	<b>Troubleshooting Process Control Systems</b> Understanding Control Loops & Instrumentation • Techniques for Diagnosing Control System Issues
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	<b>Troubleshooting Chemical Processes</b> Common Issues in Chemical Reactions & Separation Processes • Techniques for Diagnosing Chemical Process Issues
1100 – 1215	<b>Root Cause Analysis (RCA)</b> Introduction to RCA Methodologies (e.g., Fishbone Diagram, 5 Whys) • Practical Application of RCA
1215 – 1230	Break
1230 – 1330	<b>Fault Tree Analysis (FTA)</b> Understanding FTA & Its Applications • Building & Analyzing Fault Trees

1330 – 1420	<b>Human Factors in Troubleshooting</b> <i>Impact of Human Error on Process Upsets • Strategies to Mitigate Human Error</i>
1420 – 1430	<b>Recap</b> <i>Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Topics that were Discussed Today and Advise Them of the Topics to be Discussed Tomorrow</i>
1430	<i>Lunch &amp; End of Day Two</i>

**Day 3: Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> of July 2024**

0730 – 0830	<b>Process Optimization</b> <i>Definition &amp; Objectives of Process Optimization • Key Concepts &amp; Principles</i>
0830 – 0930	<b>Economic Optimization</b> <i>Understanding Cost-Benefit Analysis • Techniques for Economic Optimization (e.g., Break-Even Analysis, Marginal Cost Analysis)</i>
0930 – 0945	<i>Break</i>
0945 – 1100	<b>Energy Optimization</b> <i>Importance of Energy Efficiency • Techniques for Optimizing Energy Use in Processes</i>
1100 – 1230	<b>Six Sigma &amp; Lean Principles</b> <i>Overview of Six Sigma Methodology • Lean Principles &amp; their Application to Process Optimization</i>
1230 - 1245	<i>Break</i>
1245 – 1420	<b>Case Studies: Successful Process Optimization Projects</b> <i>Review of Real-World Optimization Projects • Analysis of Strategies &amp; Outcomes</i>
1420 – 1430	<b>Recap</b> <i>Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Topics that were Discussed Today and Advise Them of the Topics to be Discussed Tomorrow</i>
1430	<i>Lunch &amp; End of Day Three</i>

**Day 4: Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2024**

0730 – 0830	<b>Statistical Process Control (SPC)</b> <i>Introduction to SPC &amp; Control Charts • Application of SPC in Process Optimization</i>
0830 – 0930	<b>Design of Experiments (DOE)</b> <i>Understanding DOE Methodology • Application of DOE for Process Optimization</i>
0930 – 0945	<i>Break</i>
0945 – 1100	<b>Optimization of Chemical Reactions</b> <i>Techniques for Optimizing Reaction Conditions • Catalysts &amp; their Role in Process Optimization</i>
1100 – 1215	<b>Heat Integration &amp; Energy Recovery</b> <i>Principles of Heat Integration • Techniques for Energy Recovery &amp; Reuse</i>
1215 – 1230	<i>Break</i>

1230 – 1330	<b>Process Intensification</b> <i>Introduction to Process Intensification • Techniques &amp; Technologies for Intensifying Processes</i>
1330 – 1420	<b>Sustainability &amp; Green Chemistry</b> <i>Principles of Sustainability in Process Optimization • Application of Green Chemistry Principles</i>
1420 – 1430	<b>Recap</b> <i>Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Topics that were Discussed Today and Advise Them of the Topics to be Discussed Tomorrow</i>
1430	<i>Lunch &amp; End of Day Four</i>

**Day 5: Thursday, 01<sup>st</sup> of August 2024**

0730 – 0830	<b>Developing an Integrated Troubleshooting &amp; Optimization Plan</b> <i>Combining Troubleshooting &amp; Optimization Techniques • Steps to Develop a Comprehensive Plan</i>
0830 – 0930	<b>Risk Management &amp; Contingency Planning</b> <i>Identifying &amp; Managing Risks • Developing Contingency Plans for Process Upsets</i>
0930 – 0945	<i>Break</i>
0945 – 1100	<b>Implementing Process Improvements</b> <i>Strategies for Successful Implementation • Monitoring &amp; Measuring Improvements</i>
1100 – 1230	<b>Continuous Improvement</b> <i>Principles of Continuous Improvement • Tools &amp; Techniques for Maintaining Process Gains</i>
1230 – 1245	<i>Break</i>
1245 – 1345	<b>Team Collaboration &amp; Communication</b> <i>Importance of Teamwork in Troubleshooting &amp; Optimization • Effective Communication Strategies</i>
1345 – 1400	<b>Course Conclusion</b> <i>Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Course Topics that were Covered During the Course</i>
1400 – 1415	<b>POST-TEST</b>
1415 – 1430	<i>Presentation of Course Certificates</i>
1430	<i>Lunch &amp; End of Course</i>



**Practical Sessions**

This practical and highly-interactive course includes the following real-life case studies and exercises:-



**Course Coordinator**

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