

Application of VBA & Advanced Excel to Financial Modeling & Analysis

Proficiency in the use of VBA & to refresh more advanced aspects of Excel

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- Over 20 years business and finance experience across oil and gas, energy, resources, engineering and other sectors
- Previously a Vice-President at J.P. Morgan, Principal at Mercer Management Consulting (now Oliver Wyman) and European Director of Training and Consulting for Palisade Corporation
- Europe's most experienced trainer and consultant in **@RISK®** and other **Palisade** products, having trained or consulted over 2000 people in the use of simulation and related tools to support decision-making through risk modelling and optimisation.
- Delivered training courses and consulted for many oil and gas companies in Europe, North America and Asia, in financial modelling, risk modelling and related topics.
- Past clients include Shell, Statoil, BG, Cairn, Dong, Dana, Addax, Talisman, Oxy, Petrofac, Tullow and others.
- Author of "**Financial Modelling in Practice: A Concise Guide for Intermediate and Advanced Level**"

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Course Overview

Many analysts and modellers develop a high level of competence in the use of Excel, but often find that they have a lack of awareness and capability around extending their skills to VBA (macros).

The use of VBA in the modelling of oil and gas sector is often particularly beneficial, and sometimes a necessity: For example, macros are often found in standard applications, such as project finance models, as well as to automate sensitivity-, scenario-, simulation- and optimisation-procedures that arise frequently in the sector. In addition, macros can be extremely useful in data manipulation: including where repeated manipulation of data is required, where consolidation from multiple data sources is needed (allowing larger datasets than a single workbook would permit, for example), or where data is taken from external sources before being manipulated in Excel. User-defined functions can also be used to create flexible model structures and layouts, including mechanisms to rapidly include or delete assets or data sets in a model, for example.

This 4-day course is aimed at experienced Excel practitioners who wish to become proficient in the use of VBA, as well as to refresh some of the more advanced aspects of Excel. The course focuses on learning through hands-on exercises. Day 1 is used to review advanced Excel modelling topics and functions, whilst Days 2-4 are focused on using VBA in a variety of analysis, modelling and decision-support contexts.

***This program is limited to 15 seats only.**

Course Objectives

- ▶ **CREATE** more effective, flexible and powerful models using VBA (macros) and advanced Excel.
- ▶ **DEVELOP** an in-depth knowledge of a wide range of advanced functions in Excel.
- ▶ **RECOGNIZE** modeling situations where the use of VBA would be effective & worthwhile.
- ▶ **CONSTRUCT** highly flexible, robust and transparent models that follow best practice principles
- ▶ **CREATE** a solid basis to write VBA code
- ▶ **ANALYZE** and **MANIPULATE** data sets efficiently and able to **CONSOLIDATE** data from different workbooks.
- ▶ **GAIN** insight into alternative methods and best practises in model design
- ▶ **GAIN** exposure to a wider range of applications in financial modeling
- ▶ **LEARN** a variety of options ways to design, structure, layout and build models

Specially Designed for

This course is designed for staff involved in Business & Strategic Planning, Planning, Development & Commercial, Budgeting & Forecasting

- ▶ Business & Strategic Planners
- ▶ Planning, Development & Commercial Analysts
- ▶ Budgeting & Forecasting Staffs
- ▶ Financial Analysts
- ▶ Petroleum Economists
- ▶ Risk Managers
- ▶ Business Analysts
- ▶ Portfolio Managers

Prerequisites

Participants are expected to have a sound knowledge and understanding in the use of Microsoft Excel and will be required to bring a laptop computer with Microsoft Excel 2007 or 2010, and trial version of DecisionToolsSuite from Palisade installed.

Program Schedule

08:00 – 09:00	Registration (Day1)
09:00 – 11:00	Session I
11:00 – 11:15	Refreshment & Networking Session I
11:15 – 13:00	Session II
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	Session III
15:30 – 15:45	Refreshment & Networking Session II
15:45 – 17:00	Session IV
17:00	End of Day

DAY 1 Setting the Scene for VBA: Recap of Advanced Excel Functionality

Introduction & Course Overview

- * Recap of core modeling principles
- * Model formulation, design and best practices (structure, layout, formatting, named ranges, circular references)
- * Distinguishing and sensitivities, scenarios risks, uncertainties and optimization situations
- * General limitations of Excel and the key uses of VBA within financial modeling (overview)

Recap of key advanced function areas

- * Lookedup functions
- * Text, date and information functions
- * Array, statistical and database functions

* Hands-on exercises,

- Breakeven analysis and Goal Seek
- Sensitivity and scenario analysis; DataTables and basic lookup functions
- Optimisation modelling; Solver; portfolio composition, transfer-pricing; curve fitting
- Formulae referring to variable-sized ranges; dynamic range
- Reversing and manipulating data
- Resolving circular references iteratively
- Cost allocation with array functions
- Implementing multiple database queries
- Creating models fed by multiple data sheets
- Calculation of taxes payable with various tax bands
- Calculation of rank correlation of two series
- Calculation of semi-deviation of a data set
- Calculation of an inverse (percentile) function for a probability distribution

*Potential uses and benefits of VBA approaches

*Q&A, Discussion, Day 1 Close

DAY 2 Getting Started with VBA for Financial Modeling

*The need for VBA and demo of pre-built examples

* Hands-on exercises:

- Simple recording example (e.g. code to copy ranges)
- Running code and stepping through line-by-line; use of break points
- Adapting recorded code through direct writing of code
- Use of named ranges
- Creation of buttons to run code

* Introduction to syntax; object orientation, ways to refer to ranges

* Creation of simple Input and Message Boxes

* Controlling execution and related topics: Use of With, Set, and Conditional statements

* Comments, indenting and formatting, data types, variable declaration, and other best practices

* Hands-on exercises:

- Comparing assignment statements with copying of values
- Recording and adapting the running of GoalSeek for breakeven analysis
- Using macros to run sensitivity and scenario analysis
- Running multiple database queries using a macro
- Using VBA to resolve circular references
- Embedding one procedure within another

* Introduction to event code

- Code that runs automatically when a cell is changed
- Forcing a Disclaimer to be read, and running procedures at workbook open and close

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DAY 3 Using VBA for Data Manipulation and Consolidation

* Efficient manipulation of data using VBA: An introduction

* **Hands-on exercises:**

- Reversing the time axis of a data set (Single and multi-columned data)
- Removal of duplicates
- Removal of empty rows
- Division of quarterly into monthly data
- Automated sorting of data sets

* **Hands-on exercises: Consolidation into a single sheet of data in several worksheets**

- Overview of possible approaches
- Worksheet functions and VBA functions
- Creating a list of sheet names

* Hands-on exercise: Consolidation into a single sheet of data in specified sheets of separate workbooks

* Q&A, Discussion, Day 3 Close

DAY 4 User-defined Functions, Simulation and Optimisation

* Benefits and examples of user-defined functions

* **Hands-on exercises: Simple examples of writing user-defined functions:**

- Replication of IFERROR function
- Summing absolute errors
- Rank correlation and semi-deviation
- Compound growth rates
- Calculation of an inverse (percentile) function for a probability distribution

* Debugging functions: varying the position of the return statement, stepping through from a sub-routine etc.

* **Hands-on exercises: More complex examples**

- Time-shifting
- Functions referring to sheet names (referring to, manipulating data on specified sheets, or consolidating across sheets)
- Combination of user-defined functions (e.g. time-shifting with sheet names)

* Demo of more complex examples

- Generalised time-shifting and reallocation
- Black-Scholes' valuation of European options
- Portfolio optimisation using Huang-Litzenberger formula

* Impact of VBA on possible model layout and data structures

- Achieving distributed data structures using VBA tools
- Advantages and disadvantages compared to pure Excel approaches

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Interactive Training

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*Using VBA for Simulation: Coreconcepts

* Hands on exercise:

- Uncertainty modelling in a project's cash flows
- Passing values to and from Excel ranges and code
- Creation of random numbers, repeated recalculations, storing and analysing results
- Saving and clearing of results; insertion and deletion of sheets
- Creation of percentile and inverse functions; other techniques to create samples (search and lookup procedures); user-defined functions to create distribution samples)

*Optimisation Modelling using Solver within a loop (time-permitting or demo)

* Hands on exercise:

- Setting up a Markowitz mean-variance (portfolio optimisation) calculation in Excel , and recording the use of Solver to generate a single optimum solution
- Generating the Markowitz efficient frontier through repeated calculations
- Automating the resetting of constraints or other criteria

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29th - 2nd Oct	Advanced Financial Modelling for Oil & Gas	Michael Rees
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Michael has over 20 years business and finance experience, including 10 years as an independent consultant. As a Principal at Mercer Management Consulting (now Oliver Wyman) until 2000 he led major projects in the area of strategy, organization and change (such as market and competitive analysis, partner and acquisition assessments, performance measurement and improvement, cost reduction, outsourcing, process redesign, restructuring and change management). He later worked as a Vice-President at J.P. Morgan, where he was involved in the development of financial forecasts, conducting valuations, publishing reports and advising fund managers and hedge funds. He was ranked as a top City analyst by all the companies under his direct coverage and received a vote in the Institutional Investor 2002 survey.

Much of his work is focussed in the oil and gas, energy, resources and engineering sectors, but he is also frequently asked to assist clients in private equity, finance, insurance, as well as health care and other industries.

Michael has a Doctorate in Mathematical Modelling and Numerical Algorithms, and a B.A. with First Class Honours in Mathematics, both from Oxford University in the UK. He also has an MBA with Distinction from INSEAD in France. He has studied for the Certificate of Quantitative Finance, graduating top of the course for on-going class work and also receiving the Wilmott Award for the highest final exam mark.

Michael's Latest Publication



He is the author of "Financial Modelling in Practice: A Concise Guide for Intermediate and Advanced Level " (John Wiley & Sons, 2008), which is a practical, comprehensive and in-depth guide designed to cover Excel modelling, financial statement modelling, valuation, risk analysis, real options, and VBA coding for practical applications in business, economic analysis and finance that are relevant to facilitate the construction of robust and readily understandable models.

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