



SDG Project Management Scholarship

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“Those who collaborate and improvise shall prevail” – Charles Darwin

About the Scholarship

WHY NOW

We live in a pivotal time of history when fast and effective action on climate change will determine the survival of entire ecosystems and the security and quality of life of future generations.

Against a backdrop of species extinction and increasing extreme weather events, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has given the world just twelve years to take radical action.

In 2015, the United Nations published 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to unite the world in moving toward a more sustainable future.

Organisations across Australia have responded with creative, innovative and transformative projects aligned with the SDGs.

This includes environmental projects focussed on climate change action, the restoration and rehabilitation of habitats, saving endangered species, reducing emissions, and transitioning to waste-free societies serviced by renewable energy sources and sustainable food chains.

Other SDG-aligned projects deal with social justice, defending the voiceless, standing for gender equality, and closing the gap in Indigenous communities.

In support of 'good work, done well', Elemental Projects launched the SDG Project Management Scholarship in 2019, for project teams whose projects align with one or more of the 17 [SDGs](#).



HOW IT WORKS

The SDG Project Management Scholarship program seeks to maximise awareness and achievement of the SDGs by developing the knowledge, skills, networks and profiles of project managers with SDG-aligned projects.

In collaboration with the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) Australia Network, we are offering fully-funded scholarships for project managers and up to four of their team to attend our comprehensive training program 'Elemental Project Management'.

This course involves six days of intensive, interactive and highly practical training, during which the team will workshop the following documents for their SDG-aligned project:

- Project Charter
- Project Management Plan
- Project Status Report & RADICAL Register
- Post Implementation Review

The scholarship also includes a short video produced about the team's project for social media, as well as attendance at our annual celebration event for Elemental PM participants and graduates of the BSB51415 Diploma of Project Management.

Endorsed by the Australian Institute of Project Management, this six-day course has a proven track record of developing project managers with the capability, confidence and connections to successfully deliver projects with lasting outcomes. [Click here](#) for further details about the content and structure of the 6-day course.

At the completion of the course, participants select an SDG-aligned project from their cohort to be nominated in the United Nations' SDG Good Practices Awards.

About Elemental Projects

As specialists in the development of project management capability, particularly in complex arenas, Elemental Projects is uniquely positioned to support project managers delivering projects and programs aligned with the SDGs. We have trained and qualified hundreds of project and program managers working on 'soft', complex-adaptive projects and programs, including those focussed on:

- **Climate change** – environmental research, remediation, restoration, species rehabilitation
- **Aboriginal capacity building** – caring for country, health, education, community engagement
- **Socio-political change** – marriage equality, gender equality, global change campaigns
- **International development** – design & implementation of government infrastructure, policy implementation, reform programs
- **Defence & justice** – domestic violence, offending reduction, psychological interventions

Our courses are endorsed by the Australian Institute of Project Management (AIPM) and we have received multiple learning and development awards, including:

- **Winner** - 'Best use of Gamification/Simulation for Learning' at the 2016 AITD National Training Excellence Awards
- **Winner** - 'Best Team Building Event' at the 2017 LearnX Awards
- **Highly Commended** - 'Best Use of Gamification/Simulation for Learning' at the 2018 AITD National Training Excellence Awards
- **Finalist** - 'Best External Learning Provider' at the Learning and Performance Institute 2019 Annual Learning Awards



Application Form

To apply for the SDG PM Scholarship (the Scholarship), please complete this form and email it to info@elemental-projects.com.au

APPLICANT DETAILS – to be completed by the project manager

Name:		Organisation:	
Email:		Phone:	
Role/title:		Names of team members to accompany project manager (up to 4):	1.
Preferred cohort (see course calendar for dates & locations) – e.g. “19.03”:			2.
			3.
			4.

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name: _____

Project Budget (estimated): _____

Start & Finish Date (estimated): _____

What is your project about? (what you’re planning to do; high-level outline of what’s in scope):

What is the background and planned outcomes of the project? (the story so far; what long-term results/impacts/ benefits are expected to be achieved as a result of your project):

How does the project align with the United Nation’s Sustainable Development Goals? Explain how your project contributes to the targets under at least one Sustainable Development Goal. For additional information and examples of how to demonstrate alignment, see <http://blueprint.unglobalcompact.org>

ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

- My project directly aligns with one or more of the UN’s 17 Sustainable Development Goals (available here: <http://blueprint.unglobalcompact.org>)
- My project is currently underway or is planned to start within the next 12 months
- I have formal approval from my organisation to do the project¹.
- I am able to attend 6 days of training in Sydney on the dates scheduled in Elemental Projects’ [course calendar](#)

¹ If the project is self-funded (e.g. involves an external grant) then you may still apply, with the fundraising phase included in the scope of the project

I consent to the following use of information and video and/or audio recordings:

- I consent to Elemental Projects (EP) sharing the information in my application with the Scholarship selection panel, including representatives from the UN Global Compact Network Australia (GCNA), and Scholarship sponsors, for the purposes of validating SDG alignment and evaluating Scholarship applications.
- If successful in receiving the Scholarship, then I also consent to EP producing a short video about this project, including visual and audio recordings of myself, and consent to this video being shared on social media by, and placed on the websites of, EP, Scholarship sponsor organisations, the GCNA, and my organisation.
- If selected by my cohort to be nominated in the SDG Good Practices Awards, then I consent to providing Elemental Projects with the required information about the project, in line with award submission guidelines, and authorise Elemental Projects to prepare and submit the award nomination on my and my organisation's behalf.

PROJECT SPONSOR/AUTHORISER:

To be eligible for the SDG Project Management Scholarship (the Scholarship), candidates must have an *approved* project, as indicated by the following declaration from the project's authoriser – be they internal (such as a line manager) or external (such as a client or representative from a grant provider).

AUTHORISER'S DECLARATION

By signing below, I acknowledge my organisation's commitment to fund the project, and the candidate's involvement in the Scholarship program, including:

- Planning, implementing and closing the project
- Seeking external funding for the project (if required)
- Attending two x 3-day blocks of face-to-face training (6 days of training in total) with up to four team members
- Attending Elemental Projects' annual celebration event with up to four team members
- Travel and accommodation in Sydney for themselves and up to four team members for both training blocks and the annual celebration event (if travel is required)

I further agree to:

- A short video being created about the project (a mini-documentary), ending with my organisation's name and logo, followed by acknowledgement of Scholarship sponsors and their logos, and the Elemental Projects logo
- The project and Scholarship being promoted via social media posts, with and/or without the video
- The video being placed on the Elemental Projects website and website/s of industry sponsors
- Should the project be selected by the candidate's cohort to be nominated in the SDG Good Practices Awards, then I further commit to supporting Elemental Projects to develop this award submission by providing any required information about the project, in line with award submission guidelines, and authorise Elemental Projects to disclose this information to the relevant judging body by submitting the award nomination.

Signature: _____	Name: _____
Email: _____	Phone: _____
Organisation: _____	Title: _____

APPLICANT'S DECLARATION

By signing below, I acknowledge that I meet all criteria in the Eligibility Checklist on the previous page, and that the information that I have provided in this Application Form is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that, should it be proven that I have knowingly provided false or misleading information in this Application Form, that I will be personally liable for the course fees, being \$2,500 (Plus GST) per delegate, and agree to pay this amount to Elemental Projects (Australia) Pty Ltd within 12 months of the date below.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete this application form. We look forward to reviewing it and, regardless of the outcome, we wish you all the best with your SDG-aligned project and thank you for the positive contribution that you are making to a more sustainable future.