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WE ARE FINANCIAL MODELLING EXPERTS

Our highly knowledgeable instructors provide training that allows anyone to build models that are easy to understand, with fewer errors, in less time. Whether you need to understand and use models, review them or build your own, one of our courses will be perfect for you.

Our intensive in-person courses are run in major cities and can also be organised for your company in-house.

If you prefer the convenience of developing modelling skills in your own time, our online courses are taught using video tutorials that you can watch as many times as you need to — access is unlimited.

Whichever option you choose; we offer ongoing support from our team of modelling experts so you can continue to develop your skills long after you complete the course.

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FAST Standard Organisation Ltd
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*“An absolutely
brilliant course”*

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An online financial modelling course that will help you approach real world modelling assignments from a firm foundation of skills and disciplines.

The course also includes content and assessments that will help you prepare for the **FAST Standard Organisation's Level 1 Certificate**.

Fee includes unlimited access to our online support forum
Our support to you continues for as long as you like

Practical and hands on
Build the foundation sheets that every financial model should have

Video tuition and course materials designed and delivered by expert instructors
Learn an approach to modelling that is used by thousands of professionals

Based on the FAST Standard
Learn a systematic financial modelling methodology

Prepare with confidence for the FAST Standard Organisation's Level 1 Certificate
Answer the question
"am I ready to move on?"

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What kind of course is this?

Outline

We've designed FAST Fundamentals for those who have completed our free "31 Days to Better Financial Modelling" online course and are looking for their next step.

It is for people who want to continue building up a reliable base of modelling skills using the FAST Standard. It is for people who see modelling skills as part of a portfolio of business skills - what we call "business tradecraft".

FAST Fundamentals also provides resources to help those preparing for the **FAST Standard Organisation's** Level 1 Certificate.

FAST Fundamentals includes:

- » consolidated quick reminders of what you should have learned from our "31 days..." course
 - » examples of how basic modelling skills might be applied to real world models
 - » modules showing how to build a template start model from a blank Excel worksheet - including Input, Time and other foundation sheets
 - » practical modelling assignments to help you test your progress and answer the question: "Am I ready to move on?"
 - » access to a discussion forum managed by our 40+ team of professional modellers in Delhi, India
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Who is it for?

Target Audience

Our instructors have designed this course for those that want to take first steps in building up a set of robust financial modelling skills.

They may not be using Excel every day and the modelling they are undertaking may be relatively straightforward, but nonetheless they recognise the need for standards in financial modelling and in the spreadsheets that they develop and review. It is perfect for people that have enjoyed our “31 days to better financial modelling” and who are ready to take the next step.

Teaching Approach

FAST Fundamentals is available online. Videos are highly practical and there are plenty of Excel files to download so participants can test how well they have learned a topic and whether they are ready to move on.

There is no limit on the number of times a participant may visit the course and our team of 40+ professional modellers is on hand to answer any questions arising.

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Course Outline

Participants will work towards a series of assessments that test their practical understanding of modelling with the FAST Standard.

Ever increasing in complexity, the assessments are based on small case studies that are designed to encourage a modeller to apply their skills in the real world. Modellers will also appreciate the split role of modelling: the problem solving skills associated with conceptual modelling and the spreadsheet engineering skills required to construct a solution that is ready to use.

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Before & After

Pre-work

To get the most out of FAST Fundamentals, we recommend that participants complete our “31 Days to Better Financial Modelling” free online course.

Videos belonging to this course will also be made available to you as part of the FAST Fundamentals course environment.

Post-course Support

We want you to feel that you are engaged with us throughout your learning process. All your questions raised through the support forum will be answered within 24 hours (it is usually much quicker than that) and we also run occasional webinars to address particular modelling topics. In short, we are by your side as you put your new learning into practice.

And if there are topics that you want to discuss with us that are not on the course, then we would be pleased to have the conversation.

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Course Modules

31 Days to Better Financial Modelling

All the videos from our introductory course are together in one handy place.

Ten Things to Remember

Covering the absolute essentials that we hope you have picked up from our introductory course.

Keyboard Shortcuts Quiz

A quick test for you to determine whether you have weaned yourself off the mouse and onto the more productive keyboard.

Quick Reminders

A series of videos that bring together key learning points and make connections between them – covering topics including colour and number formatting, calculation blocks, links and how a productive modeller makes best use of replication to minimise typing.

How to Build a FAST Model Chassis

A series of videos that teaches you how to construct key foundation sheets in a FAST financial model: Temp, Time, Input, Dashboard and a calculation sheet. Starting from a blank Excel workbook, the result is a template workbook that may be used again and again.

Assessments

A series of videos and downloads for you to start applying your new skills and knowledge. Starting with a simple assignment, the assessments gradually become more and more complex.

They include:

- » How to build a time ruler
 - » How to work with templates covering foreign exchange and simple UK taxation
 - » Case studies relating to a biomass plant, a meal supply business, a telecommunications business and a fitness centre
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Requirements

Tools & Set Up

A basic understanding of Excel is helpful (e.g. the syntax of IF statements and the use of the dollar “\$” symbol in anchoring cell references).

It does not matter which version of Excel you use but it is worth working on a lap top with which you are familiar. We have encountered most language versions of Excel and keyboard settings and while this course uses an English language version of Excel and English (“EN”) keyboard settings, we are happy to answer questions relating to other languages and keyboards.

“I use my new found skills on a daily basis and can’t speak highly enough of the course”

Sally Brierley

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F1F9 teaches the best financial modelling courses available on the market today, training our clients to build better models themselves through courses delivered worldwide. We also build and maintain financial models used by leading corporates, advisors, banks and funds.

Our consultancy has over 40 modellers, all of whom use the techniques we teach on our courses. Financial modelling is our core business. **It's what we do.**

To discuss how we can help your team to develop their modelling skills call **Alex Arnold** on **+44 203 239 8575** or email **alex.arnold@f1f9.com**

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