

# FISD Professional Certification Training – Level 1

## 1. The Markets

- The role of the **financial markets**; the trade lifecycle
- The **participants** in the financial markets: the Sell Side, the Buy Side, exchanges and other intermediaries
- The role of **government, central banks and regulatory authorities**
- The primary **business functions** and responsibilities
- The major **classes of assets**

## 2. The Data

- **Sources**: contributed data; exchange (and similar e.g. MTF, ATS and IDB etc) generated data; vendor data
- **Vendors (providers)**: exchanges and MTF/ATS and IDB; regional vendors; specialist vendors
- **Types**: market data; fundamental and econometric data; historical/time series data; valuations data; credit ratings; indices; news and commentary; reference data

## Standards

- **Delivery and Display**: terminals/workstations; streaming datafeeds; batch downloads
- **Uses of Data**: individual users; local applications; central (shared) applications
- **Commercials (pricing and contractual terms)**: Units of Count; datafeed pricing models; contracts, compliance and audits; inventory management, permissioning, usage reporting – and associated tools
- **Market and Reference Data Job Functions**: consumer firms; vendor firms (including exchanges and software/technology suppliers)

## 3. The Technology

- **Technology Basics and Terminology**: hardware; operating systems; applications; software/application development; general computing terminology; connectivity; stability
- **Data Feeds & Data Distribution – systems and software Desktops (e.g. terminals)**: workstations; instant messaging; transaction products (desktop)
- **Applications and Associated Technology**: application types; algorithmic trading; price contributions
- **Development, Implementation, Management and Support**: system development; implementation; support
- **Enterprise and Reference Data Management**: basics of back office data distribution systems; types of information

## 4. Industry Issues and Trends

- **Market Regulation and Market Structure**: the US markets; the European Union and MiFID; global
- **Automation** in the financial markets
- **Enterprise Data Management**
- **Commercial, Contractual, Economic and Political**

## Our trainers

- Are senior financial information services specialists
- Have at least 15 years' experience in the industry
- Have a background at either a financial institution, an exchange or a vendor
- Speak the local language

**Duration**: 2 days standard; adaptation is possible

**Location**: In-company, or at TRG Screen offices

**Price**: Fixed price or per attendee

**More information**: [trgscreen.com/fisd-certification](https://trgscreen.com/fisd-certification)



Professional certification from FISD will establish your credentials in the increasingly complex and competitive financial information industry. The Financial Information Associate (FIA) certification is the first formal accreditation for market and reference data practitioners and will only be awarded to those who pass the exam.

TRG Screen Consultants has cooperated closely with the FISD in conceiving, developing and providing certification training courses. For candidates who are interested in becoming a certified market & reference data specialist, TRG Screen Consultants offers these courses which are designed to fully prepare for the (optional) official FISD Professional Certification exam. If required we can tailor the training to your needs.

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