

**COURSE OVERVIEW TM0207**

**Certified RCA Leader**

**Advanced Root Cause Analysis (RCA) Methods & Leadership**

**Course Title**

Certified RCA Leader: *Advanced Root Cause Analysis (RCA) Methods & Leadership*

**Course Date/Venue**

February 23-27, 2025/Boardroom 2, Elite Byblos Hotel, Al Barsha, Sheikh Zayed Road, Dubai, UAE

**Course Duration/Credits**

Five days/3.0 CEUs/30 PDHs



**Course Reference**

TM0207

**Course Description**



***This practical and highly-interactive course includes various practical sessions and exercises. Theory learnt will be applied using our state-of-the-art simulators.***



This course is designed to provide participants with an advanced overview of root cause analysis (RCA) methods and leadership. It covers the successful and unsuccessful results, human behavior, accountability, investigator attitude (mindset), investigation steps, job task analysis and the seven-step methodology; the investigation of the factors in evidence preservation, preserve and control evidence collect physical evidence, documentary evidence and human evidence and witness recollection statement; the lines of inquiry, individual mindset, personal and organizational accountability, management control elements and pareto analysis; and establishing contributing factors and validating underlying factors.



During this interactive course, participants will learn to plan corrective actions; carryout report writing by preparing report template, sample incident analysis report template, grade cards/scoresheets and root cause analysis; apply the principles and techniques of effective team management and leadership and investigation of organization and management team; implement action plan follow up; and employ other methodologies on root cause analysis.

## Course Objectives

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

- Get certified as a “*Certified RCA Leader*”
- Discuss root cause analysis (RCA) covering successful and unsuccessful results, human behavior, accountability, investigator attitude (mindset), investigation steps, job task analysis and the seven-step methodology
- Identify the scope of problem comprising of problem statement, problem description, difference mapping and extent of condition review
- Investigate the factors in evidence preservation, preserve and control evidence, collect physical evidence, documentary evidence and human evidence and witness recollection statement
- Employ lines of inquiry, individual mindset, personal and organizational accountability, management control elements and pareto analysis
- Illustrate fault tree analysis, task analysis, critical activity charting and actions and factors charting
- Establish contributing factors and validate underlying factors
- Plan corrective actions through action planning, change management, S.M.A.R.T.E.R., safety precedence sequence, barriers and aids analysis, solution selection tree and matrix, contingency plan, effectiveness review and performance indicator development
- Carryout report writing by preparing report template, sample incident analysis report template, grade cards/scoresheets and root cause analysis
- Apply the principles and techniques of effective team management and leadership as well as investigation of organization and management team
- Implement action plan follow up through verification of action plan, documentation, line management accountability, key performance indicators, goal setting and action plan effectiveness verification
- Employ other methodologies on root cause analysis consisting of HSYS, checklists, assessment of safety significant teams (ASSET), safety through organizational learning (SOL) and PROACT™

## 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 conveniently saved in a **Tablet PC**.

## Who Should Attend

This course provides an advanced overview of root cause analysis (RCA) methods and leadership for those who are responsible for others in the workplace such as managers, engineers, supervisors, team leaders, HSE engineers, senior HSE officers, foremen and junior production operation staff.

**Course Certificate(s)**

(1) Internationally recognized Competency Certificates and Plastic Wallet Cards will be issued to participants who completed a minimum of 80% of the total tuition hours and successfully passed the exam at the end of the course. Successful candidate will be certified as a “*Certified RCA Leader*”. Certificates are valid for 5 years.

**Recertification is FOC for a Lifetime.**

**Sample of Certificates**

The following are samples of the certificates that will be awarded to course participants:-



- (2) Official Transcript of Records will be provided to the successful delegates with the equivalent number of ANSI/IACET accredited Continuing Education Units (CEUs) earned during the course.

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**CEUs**

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### CEU Official Transcript of Records

**TOR Issuance Date:** 12-Oct-17

**HTME No.** PAR11317

**Participant Name:** Atif Al Harbi

Program Ref.	Program Title	Program Date	No. of Contact Hours	CEU's
TM0207	<b>Certified RCA Leader: Advanced Root Cause Analysis (RCA) Methods &amp; Leadership</b>	October 08-12, 2017	30	3.0

**Total No. of CEU's Earned as of TOR Issuance Date** **3.0**

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Academic Director

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## Certificate Accreditations

Certificates are accredited by the following international accreditation organizations: -

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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.

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

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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.

## 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 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. Karl Thanasis**, PEng, MSc, MBA, BSc, is **Senior Mechanical & Maintenance Engineer** with over **45 years** of extensive industrial experience. His wide expertise includes **Root Cause Analysis (RCA), Piping & Pipeline, Maintenance, Repair, Shutdown, Turnaround & Outages, Maintenance & Reliability Management, Mechanical Maintenance Planning, Scheduling & Work Control, Advanced Techniques in Maintenance Management, Predictive & Preventive Maintenance, Maintenance & Operation Cost Reduction Techniques,**

**Reliability Centered Maintenance (RCM), Machinery Failure Analysis, Rotating Equipment Reliability Optimization & Continuous Improvement, Material Cataloguing, Mechanical & Rotating Equipment Troubleshooting & Maintenance, Root Cause Analysis & Reliability Improvement, Condition Monitoring, Root Cause Failure Analysis (RCFA), Steam Generation, Steam Turbines, Power Generator Plants, Gas Turbines, Combined Cycle Plants, Boilers, Process Fired Heaters, Air Preheaters, Induced Draft Fans, All Heaters Piping Work, Refractory Casting, Heater Fabrication, Thermal & Fired Heater Design, Heat Exchangers, Heat Transfer, Coolers, Power Plant Performance, Efficiency & Optimization, Storage Tank Design & Fabrication, Thermal Power Plant Management, Boiler & Steam System Management, Pump Operation & Maintenance, Chiller & Chiller Plant Design & Installation, Pressure Vessel, Safety Relief Valve Sizing & Selection, Valve Disassembling & Repair, Pressure Relief Devices (PSV), Hydraulic & Pneumatic Maintenance, Advanced Valve Technology, Pressure Vessel Design & Fabrication, Pumps, Turbo-Generator, Turbine Shaft Alignment, Lubrication, Mechanical Seals, Packing, Blowers, Bearing Installation, Couplings, Clutches and Gears.** Further, he is also versed in **Wastewater Treatment Technology, Networking System, Water Network Design, Industrial Water Treatment** in Refineries & Petrochemical Plants, **Piping System, Water Movement, Water Filtering, Mud Pumping, Sludge Treatment and Drying, Aerobic Process of Water Treatment** that includes **Aeration, Sedimentation and Chlorination Tanks.** His strong background also includes **Design and Sizing of all Waste Water Treatment Plant Associated Equipment** such as **Sludge Pumps, Filters, Metering Pumps, Aerators and Sludge Decanters.**

Mr. Thanasis has acquired his thorough and practical experience as the **Project Manager, Plant Manager, Area Manager - Equipment Construction, Construction Superintendent, Project Engineer and Design Engineer.** His duties covered **Plant Preliminary Design, Plant Operation, Write-up of Capital Proposal, Investment Approval, Bid Evaluation, Technical Contract Write-up, Construction and Sub-contractor Follow up, Lab Analysis, Sludge Drying and Management of Sludge Odor and Removal.** He has worked in various companies worldwide in the **USA, Germany, England and Greece.**

Mr. Thanasis is a **Registered Professional Engineer** in the **USA and Greece** and has a **Master's and Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering with Honours** from the **Purdue University and SIU in USA** respectively as well as an **MBA** from the **University of Phoenix in USA.** Further, he is a **Certified Internal Verifier/Trainer/Assessor** by the **Institute of Leadership & Management (ILM)** a **Certified Instructor/Trainer** and has delivered numerous trainings, courses, seminars, workshops and conferences worldwide.

### 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 Program

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

#### **Day 1: Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2025**

0730 – 0800	Registration & Coffee
0800 – 0815	Welcome & Introduction
0815 – 0830	<b>PRE-TEST</b>
0830 – 0930	<b>Introduction to Root Cause Analysis (RCA)</b> Defining Cause Analysis • Successful and Unsuccessful Results • Human Behavior • Accountability • Investigator Attitude (Mindset) • Investigation Steps • Job Task Analysis • The Seven-Step Methodology
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	<b>Step 1: Scope the Problem</b> Problem Statement • Problem Statement Examples • Problem Description • Problem Description Examples • Difference Mapping • Difference Mapping Examples • Extent of Condition Review • Extent of Condition Review Examples
1100 – 1230	<b>Step 2: Investigate the Factors</b> Evidence Preservation • Preserve and Control Evidence • Collect Physical Evidence • Collect Documentary Evidence • Collect Human Evidence • Witness Recollection Statement • Interviewing
1230 – 1245	Break
1245 – 1420	<b>Step 2: Investigate the Factors (cont'd)</b> Lines of Inquiry: Question Generators • Question Generator: Individual Mindset • Question Generator: Personal and Organizational Accountability • Question Generator: Management Control Elements • Pareto Analysis • Pareto Chart Template • Pareto Analysis Examples
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, 24<sup>th</sup> of February 2025**

0730 – 0930	<b>Step 3: Reconstruct the Story</b> Fault Tree Analysis • Fault Tree Example • Task Analysis • Task Analysis Example • Critical Activity Charting (Critical Incident Technique) • Critical Activity Chart Example • Actions and Factors Charting • Actions and Factors Chart Example • Notes
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	<b>Step 4: Establish Contributing Factors</b> Contributing Factor Test • Five WHYS • Five WHYS Example • Exxon-Valdez Oil Spill Example • Tokai-Mura Criticality Incident Example • Reactor Trip Example • Cause and Effect Trees • Cause and Effect Tree Examples
1100 – 1230	<b>Step 4: Establish Contributing Factors (cont'd)</b> Difference Analysis (a.k.a Change Analysis) • Broken Back Example • Falling Objects Example • Breaker Trip Example • Defense Analysis (a.k.a Barrier Analysis) • Breaker Fire Example • Structure Tree Diagrams • Fishbone (Ishikawa) Diagram
1230 – 1245	Break
1245 – 1420	<b>Step 4: Establish Contributing Factors (cont'd)</b> Forearm Fracture Example • Poor Safety Culture Example • Defense -in-Depth Analysis • MORT Analysis • Mort Maintenance Example • Production/Protection Strategy Analysis • Safety Culture Analysis
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 Two

**Day 3: Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> of February 2025**

0730 – 0930	<b>Step 5: Validate Underlying Factors</b> Support/Refute Methodology • Truck will not Start Example • Crane Incident Example • WHY Factor Staircase • Lost Time Away Injury Example • Criticality Incident Example • Broken Back Example • Root Cause Test
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	<b>Step 5: Validate Underlying Factors (cont'd)</b> Course Evaluation Matrix • Dump Truck Example • Extent of Cause Review • Example 1: Flood Protection Strategy Inadequate • Example 2: Leak Due to Stress Corrosion Cracking • Example 3: Rental Car Flat Tire • Example 4: Waste Not Labeled as Required
1100 – 1215	<b>Step 6: Plan Corrective Actions</b> Action Plan • Change Management • S.M.A.R.T.E.R. • Safety Precedence Sequence (Hierarchy of Corrective Action Effectiveness) • Barriers and Aids Analysis (Pros and Cons) • Solution Section Tree • Solution Selection Matrix
1215 – 1230	Break
1230 – 1420	<b>Step 6: Plan Corrective Actions (cont'd)</b> Contingency Plan • Lessons to Be Learned Communication Plan • Institutionalization/Active Coaching Plan • Effectiveness Review • Performance Indicator Development
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 Three



**Day 4: Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of February 2025**

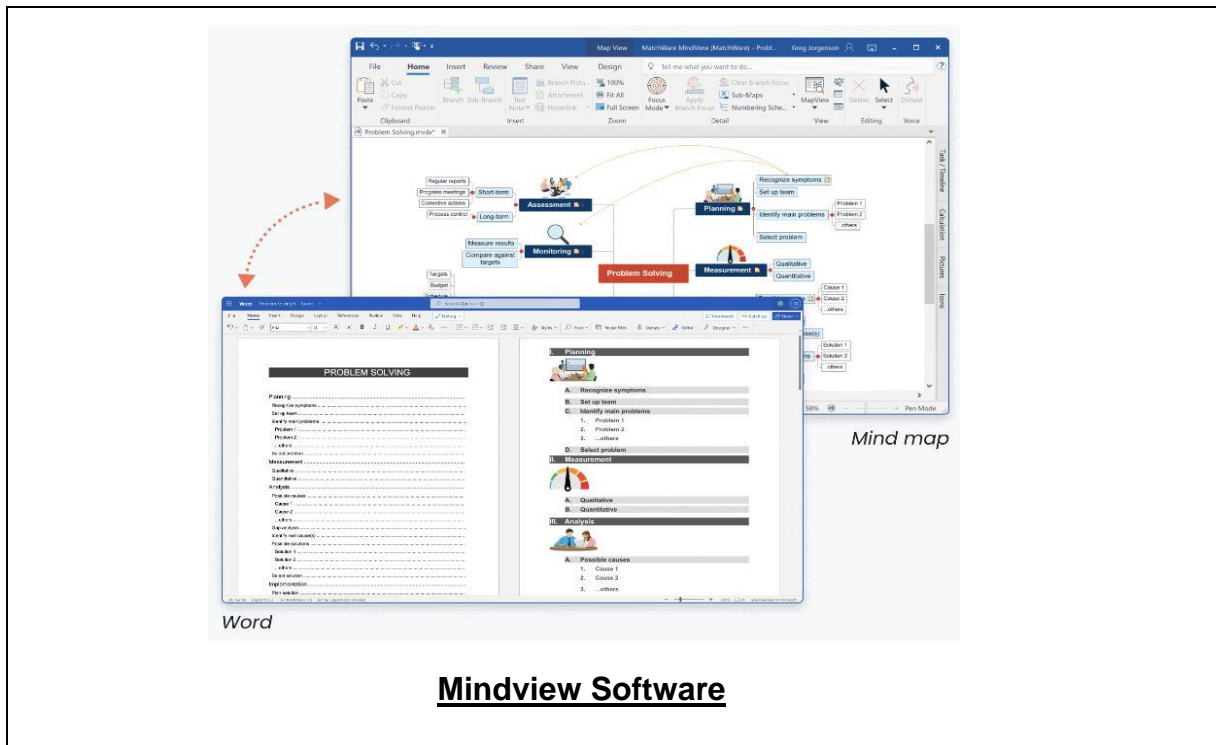
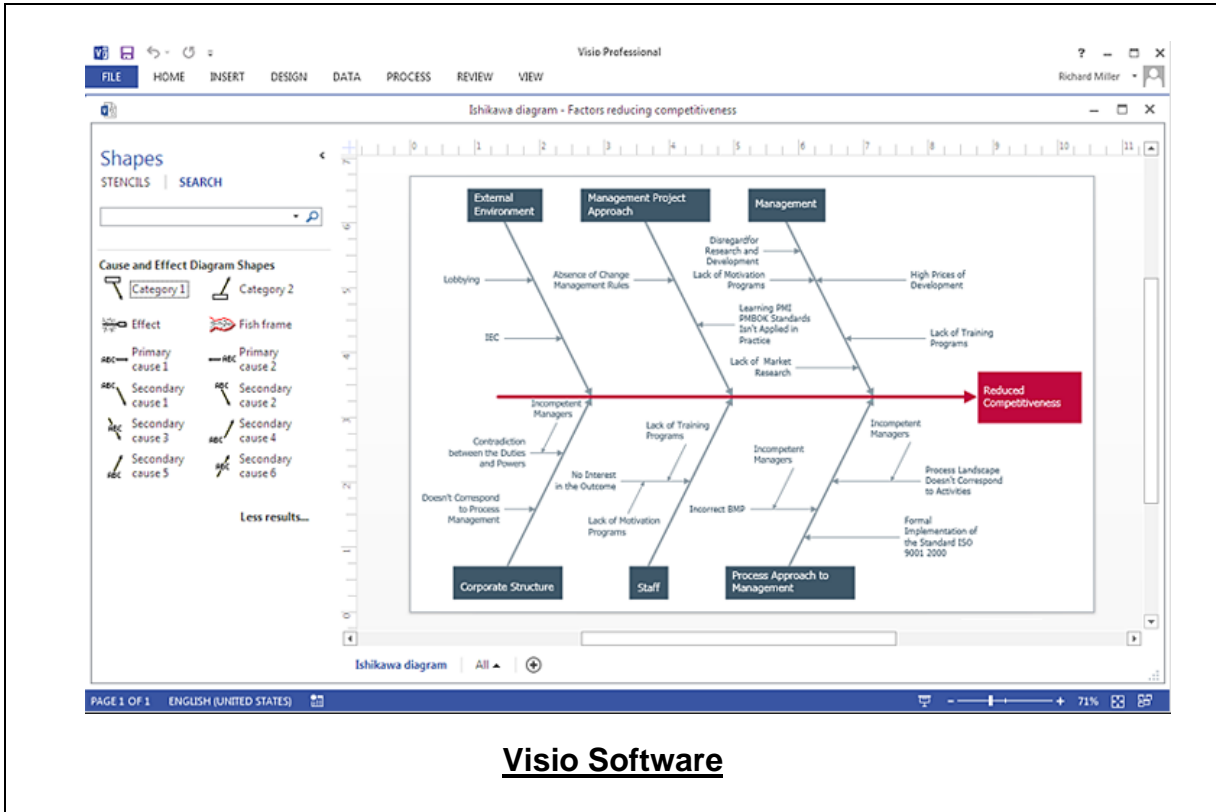
0730 – 0930	<b>Step 7: Report Writing</b> Preparing to Create Your Report • Report Template • Sample Incident Analysis Report Template • Grade Cards/Scoresheets • Root Cause Analysis – Sample Organizational Learning Scoresheet
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	<b>Team Management</b> Principles & Techniques of Effective Team Management & Leadership
1100 – 1230	<b>Team Management (cont'd)</b> Organization & Management of the Investigation Team, From Start to End
1230 – 1245	Break
1245 – 1420	<b>Action Plan Follow Up</b> Verification of Action Plan Implementation • Documentation • Line Management Accountability
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 Four

**Day 5: Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> of February 2025**

0730 – 0930	<b>Action Plan Follow Up (cont'd)</b> Key Performance Indicators • Goal-Setting • Verification of Action Plan Effectiveness
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	<b>Root Cause Analysis – Other Methodologies</b> Introduction • American Institute of Chemical Engineers Review • HSYS • Checklists • Assessment of Safety Significant Teams (ASSET) • Safety Through Organisational Learning (SOL) • PROACT™
1100 – 1215	<b>Practical Exercise on Root Cause Analysis</b> Formation of Investigation Teams • Setting the Scene – Video and Team Discussion • Question Session – Gathering of Information • Team Investigation – Analysis of Information • Team Discussion – Identification of Risk Control Measures
1215 – 1230	Break
1230 – 1300	<b>Practical Exercise on Root Cause Analysis (cont'd)</b> Producing a Basic Report, A Team Summary Report • Recommendations for Change – Creation of Action Plan • Corrective Actions • Preventive Actions • Implementation Stage
1300 – 1315	<b>Course Conclusion</b> Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Course Topics that were Covered During the Course
1315 – 1415	<b>COMPETENCY EXAM</b>
1415 – 1430	Presentation of Course Certificates
1430	Lunch & End of Course

**Simulator (Hands-on Practical Sessions)**

Practical sessions will be organized during the course for delegates to practice the theory learnt. Delegates will be provided with an opportunity to carryout various exercises using our state-of-the-art simulators “Visio Software”, “Mindview Software” and “QRA”.





The screenshot displays the QRA System Simulator software. The main window shows a project tree on the left with categories like 'Airplane', 'Engine System', 'Fuel System', 'Leak', 'Propellor', 'Foreign body stuck', 'Aerodynamics', 'Wings System', 'Avionics', and 'Wheels'. The central plot area shows a graph of 'CP' (Coefficient of Probability) versus 'Parameters' (1e-1 to 1e+1). The right-hand panel displays a fault tree diagram and a table of statistics.

STATISTIC	VALUE
Mean	0.3501
1st	0.163
5th	0.2202
10th	0.2544
50th	0.3513
90th	0.4439
95th	0.489
99th	0.5167

**QRA System Simulator**

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