Now there is a solution for supply chain management professionals to improve their planning, forecasting and inventory management skills: The Supply Chain Capability Development (SCCD) Program. New from Efficient Consumer Response Australasia (ECRA) in conjunction with Accenture and the University of Wollongong’s, Graduate School of Business, the Program can be completed online through any Internet-enabled computer, offering the flexibility required for today’s demanding schedules.

The SCCD Program – designed primarily for those involved in supply chain planning, inventory management and replenishment functions – will set a new standard for excellence and skill development. The SCCD Program will enable a consistent approach to key operational processes from demand management to calculating safety stock.

The SCCD Program content draws upon resources from Accenture’s Supply Chain Academy (www.supplychainacademy.com) and the best thinking from academic, industry and functional supply chain experts.

Industry and academic support for the SCCD Program includes:

**ECRA is a business concept aimed at better satisfying consumer needs, through business trading partners working together. The SCCD Program uniquely offers participants the opportunity to develop common core skills, consistency in process, terminology and operational capability across trading partners providing improved business results.**

- Russ Neal, Director Industry Policy, Australian Food and Grocery Council and ECR Australasia Manager

Recently many companies have been looking at their entire supply chain processes as a way of increasing customer value and profit. This Program helps retail managers and supply chain executives to align their supply chain strategy to their overall business strategy.

- Professor John Glynn, Dean, Graduate School of Business, University of Wollongong

Finding the time for training and upskilling on industry best practices is an ongoing challenge. The SCCD Program offers access to extensive world class course content, but is self-paced to suit today’s busy schedules. FMCG Supply Chain professionals will benefit from this flexible, certified, on-line learning solution.

- Lindsay Davidson, Commercial Director, New Zealand Food and Grocery Council

The SCCD program offers a unique opportunity as one of the only training programs available to cover such an extensive range of topics. Up to date with current market trends, the training met the professional development needs of our team, delivering a comprehensive understanding of the wider Supply Chain disciplines so that teams can understand, appreciate and therefore support other divisions across the business. The feedback from our first team to participate was consistently positive and we have committed to having a further 80 team members participate over the next year.

- Duncan Kirk, National Inventory Manager, Coles Myer Supply Chain

**SIMPLE CERTIFICATION PROCESS, COMPREHENSIVE CURRICULUM, UNIQUE ON-LINE DELIVERY**

- Over 50 hours of content completed in a self-paced, 12-month time frame.
- Two chances to pass the final certification exam by scoring 75% or higher.
- Endorsed by ECR Australasia with formal academic accreditation from the University of Wollongong’s, Graduate School of Business.

Curriculum focuses on six core topics:

- Supply Chain Fundamentals
- Statistics & Probability
- Forecasting & Planning
- Inventory Management
- Performance Metrics
- Collaborative Planning, Forecasting & Replenishment

Web-based course delivery providing 24x7 availability – allowing flexible participation.

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