



## Foundations of Commodities

**March 20 - 21, 2017**

**Goal:** Offer a short course to educate professionals on the foundational concepts of commodities in the physical and financial arenas including key terms and concepts, underlying principles, market structure, futures and derivatives, risk management, and regulation. Provide an affordable and accelerated curriculum for new hires in commodity-related businesses.

**Course Description:** Gain a high level of understanding of the commodities industry from physical aspects (supply chain, fundamentals, asset monetization) to the financial (market structure, spreads, futures and derivatives). Risk management and regulation/compliance will be covered at a high level. Segments will focus on the following topics:

### **Day 1: Fundamentals of Agricultural, Energy & Mineral Commodities**

- Introduction to foundational commodities concepts
- Physical commodity supply and value chains
- Commodity transportation and logistics
- Structure of financial commodity markets and trading
- Legal, regulatory and compliance aspects of commodities markets

### **Day 2: Trading Commodity Financials and Derivatives**

- Managing commodity financial risks
- Commodity transaction structuring and finance
- Quantitative methods in commodity analysis
- Commodities price forecasting

**Intended Audience:** Commodities industry employees; new hires in commodity-related businesses; commodity and financial derivatives traders, support functions such as attorneys, accountants, sales or HR or IT managers, etc.; government officials; non-industry professionals wishing to learn more about the basics of the commodities industry.

**Duration:** 16 hours

- Offered 1-2 times a year based on demand
- First offered April 9-11, 2014

**Location:** University of Colorado Denver Business School, 1475 Lawrence Street, Denver, CO 80202

**Course requirements:** 2 consecutive days, in-class sessions.

Lunch and coffee (during breaks) will be provided each day. Evening reception hosted by the Center at 5:30 pm following in-class session on Monday (March 20).

**Program Fee:** \$1500 per participant.





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