



## CERTIFIED TIA-942 DESIGN CONSULTANT

### Introduction

Data centres are at the core of many organisations. Downtime of the data centre could lead to major losses to the business. As a result, many organisations establish resilience at various levels such as the data centre facilities infrastructure and at the ICT layer. However, following the recommendations from various vendors, consultants and the public domain, information might result in under- or over-specification. Therefore it would be better to follow a commonly accepted standard as the basis for the design and build principles.

The ANSI/TIA-942 Standard specifies requirements and guidelines for the design and build of a data centre. It is intended for use by designers who need a comprehensive understanding of the data centre design. It encompasses Architecture, Mechanical, Electrical and Telecom requirements and guidelines, which are not always covered by other generic guidelines and so-called “standards”.

Understanding the intent of the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard is of fundamental importance, not only for the successful implementation of the data centre, but also for its sustainable operations. In this three-day course, the participant will learn how to design an ANSI/TIA-942 compliant data centre. It will provide a clear understanding of the requirements of the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard and possible implementation variations.

The course is well suited for all types of data centres, be it enterprise data centres or multi-tenant, third party data centres such as co-location, managed services and cloud service providers.

### Roadmap



\*Contact your local partner to check on approved courses

### Audience

The primary audience for this course is any professional involved in designing, building, maintaining and operating mission critical data centres and those who wish to attend the CTIA® (Certified TIA-942 Internal Auditor) course.

### Prerequisites

Participants must possess a valid data centre training certificate such as CDCP® or any other approved equivalent. Please submit a copy of your certificate for verification upon registration for the CTDC® course.

### ANSI/TIA-942 Standard

Participants will receive the latest digital copy of the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard, valued at USD 510.00. This is a single-user-license document which the participant can access anytime on his/her computing device and can be printed (once). Extensive reference is made to the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard during the training. Therefore participants are required to bring his/her computing device along for the training. For more information on the standard, please refer to [www.tiaonline.org](http://www.tiaonline.org).

### Global Accreditation & Recognition



### Course Benefits

After completion of the course the participant will be able to:

- ✓ Learn to properly comprehend and apply the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard requirements and guidelines
- ✓ Understand the proper intent of the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard to avoid both over- and/or under-investment
- ✓ Align the selection of redundancy levels and infrastructure investments to the business requirements.
- ✓ Understand the criteria and requirements for a high-availability data centre design and how to effectively establish the data centre from the perspective of the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard
- ✓ Understand how the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard relates to various worldwide standards



## ▪ Introduction to Data Centre Facilities

### ▪ About the ANSI/TIA-942

- Life of the ANSI/TIA-942 Standard
- Relation to other standards
  - Architectural
  - Electrical
  - Mechanical
  - Telecommunication
- Areas under scope
- High level redundancy definitions
- Redundancy options (N, N+1 etc.)
- Fault tolerant
- Concurrent maintainability
- Compartmentalisation
- Examples of redundancy levels

### ▪ Data Centre Space Planning

### ▪ Data Centre Topologies

### ▪ Recommendations for Energy Efficiency

#### ▪ Architectural

- Site selection
- Parking
- Multi-tenant building
- Building construction
  - Vapor barrier
  - Roofing
  - Floor loading
  - Raised flooring
  - Suspended/drop ceiling
  - Hanging load
  - Seismic

#### ▪ Building Security & Safety

- Security
- CCTV
- Staffing
- Bullet/ballistic proofing
- Lighting
- Safety
  - Signage

#### ▪ Building and Room Access

- Security checkpoints
- Entry lobby
- Doors and windows
- Exit corridors
- Shipping and receiving areas

#### ▪ Room/Area Design Requirements

- Administrative offices
- Security office
- Operations centre
- Restroom and break room
- UPS/Battery rooms
- Generator and fuel storage area
- Computer room

#### ▪ Electrical

- Utility power
  - Substation
  - Feed requirements
  - Self-generation
- HT/HV switch gear
- Generator and fuel supply
- LT/LV switch gear
  - ATS
  - Alternatives to ATS
- UPS and batteries
- PDU
- STS
- Grounding
- Surge protection
- EPO
- Central power monitoring
- Load banks
- Testing
- Equipment maintenance
  - Preventive maintenance
  - Facility training programs

#### ▪ Mechanical

- Environmental design
  - Temperature and humidity requirements
  - Contamination
    - Sources
    - Clean air
    - Pressurisation
    - Radio sources
    - Vibration
    - Water ingress
- Water cooled systems
  - Heat rejection
  - Chilled water system
  - Condenser water
  - Make up water
- Air cooled systems
- HVAC control systems
- Plumbing
  - Pipe routing
- Fire suppression
- Water leak detection

#### ▪ Telecommunications

- Network topology
- Redundancy level design
- Media and connectors
- Cabling pathways
- Detailed cabling design considerations
- Administration and labeling
- Cable testing
- Data centre fabrics

#### ▪ Exam

- Exam: Certified TIA-942 Design Consultant



## Delivery structure

EPI courses are lectured by certified trainers. CTDC® is an instructor-led course that uses a combination of lectures and question-and-answer sessions to discuss participants' specific needs and issues experienced in their own environment. The CTDC® course is approximately 80% lecture and 20% hands-on.

## Examination

Certification exams are administered at the end of the last training day by an authorised training partner, either using paper-based or online format, depending on the country in which the course is delivered. The exam is a 90-minute closed book exam, with 60 multiple-choice questions. The candidate requires a minimum of 50 correct answers to pass the exam. Online exam results are known immediately and paper-based exam results will be known within one week.

## Certification

Candidates who successfully pass the exam will receive the official 'Certified TIA-942 Design Consultant' certificate. The certification is valid for three years after which the student needs to re-certify. More information is available on the EPI corporate website at [www.epi-ap.com](http://www.epi-ap.com).

## Global Accreditation & Recognition

EXIN, is a global, independent and not-for-profit examination provider. EXIN's mission is to improve the quality of the IT and data centre sectors, the proficiency of IT and data centre professionals and the IT users, by means of independent testing and certification. EXIN offers candidates the opportunity to take examinations at a time and place of their choice. Every day, EXIN examinations are taken in more than 125 countries on six continents, and in more than 15 languages.

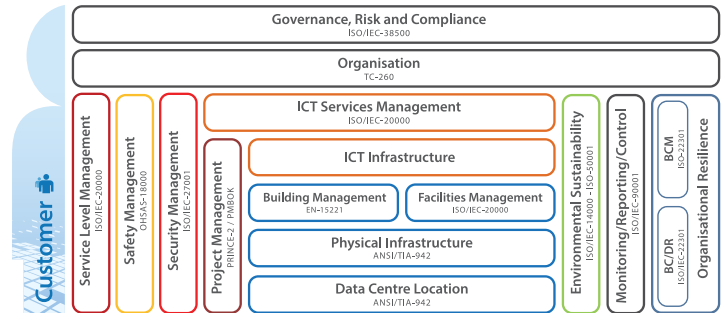
The ANSI/TIA-942 Standard was created as a voluntary consensus standard by the TIA TR-42 Engineering Committee.

Neither TIA or the committee are in any way responsible for other documents used in this training and certification program.

## Course schedule

Our courses are available in over 50 countries across all continents. For a comprehensive course schedule, visit the EPI corporate website at [www.epi-ap.com](http://www.epi-ap.com) or contact your local authorised reseller/partner.

## EPI Data Centre Framework®



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The EPI Data Centre Framework® provides data centre investors/owners/operators with a data centre ecosystem addressing all disciplines of a structured and fully managed data centre. The EPI Data Centre Framework® addresses site selection, design and outfitting of the physical facility. It also covers the governance and processes required to organise and operate a data centre to meet the business requirements of its customers. For more information visit [www.epi-ap.com](http://www.epi-ap.com).



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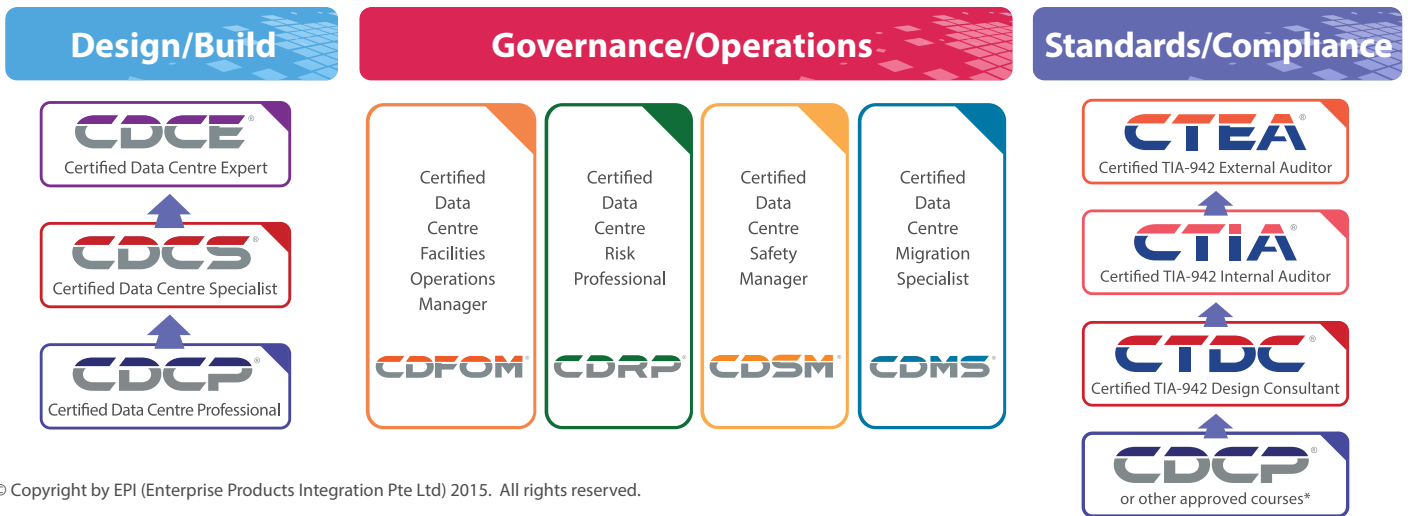
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## EPI Data Centre Training Framework®



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The EPI Data Centre Training Framework® provides a structured course curriculum for individuals working in and around data centre facilities and data centre operational management. It addresses the various disciplines required to design and manage a high-availability, efficient data centre. EPI's data centre course curriculum is not only the first in the world, it is also by far the largest in the industry. Many companies have specified these courses as prerequisites for their staff working in and around the data centre and use them as part of their career planning initiatives. Recognised globally, these certifications add value to both companies and individuals.

## The Company

EPI is a company of European origin operating world-wide in over 50 countries through direct operations and a large partner network. EPI offers an extensive range of data centre services on consultancy, auditing, certification and training. EPI's focus is on mission-critical, high-availability environments. Established in 1987, EPI has developed an international reputation for delivering high quality technical expertise, with flexible and innovative solutions, techniques and methodologies.

All our services are aimed at helping our customers to:

- Increase **Availability** of their mission-critical infrastructure
- Improve **Efficiency, Effectiveness and Manageability**
- **Minimise risk** of business interruption

Our Clients share a common need to protect their valuable data, run their mission-critical infrastructure efficiently and to be protected on a 24 x 7 basis. By protecting the interests of our customers, EPI is committed to an intensive program of comprehensive services development backed by engineering and support excellence.

Quality Systems and Procedures have always been at the heart of every stage of our service delivery to ensure consistent and high quality services. We are known for our thoroughness, flexibility and responsiveness in our project management. We focus on providing solutions that fit each organisation and each project with a drive to deliver quality on time, every time.

*Let us put our expertise to work for you!*

## Data Centre Services

### Consultation

- Data Centre Design Validation
- Data Centre Design Evaluation
- Data Centre Review/  
Independent Second Opinion

### Audit and Certification

- ANSI/TIA-942
- SS507
- ISO/IEC-27001
- ISO/IEC-20000

### Survey and Assessment

- Power Quality
- Cooling
- EMF
- Thermo Scanning
- Physical Security
- Customised Surveys

