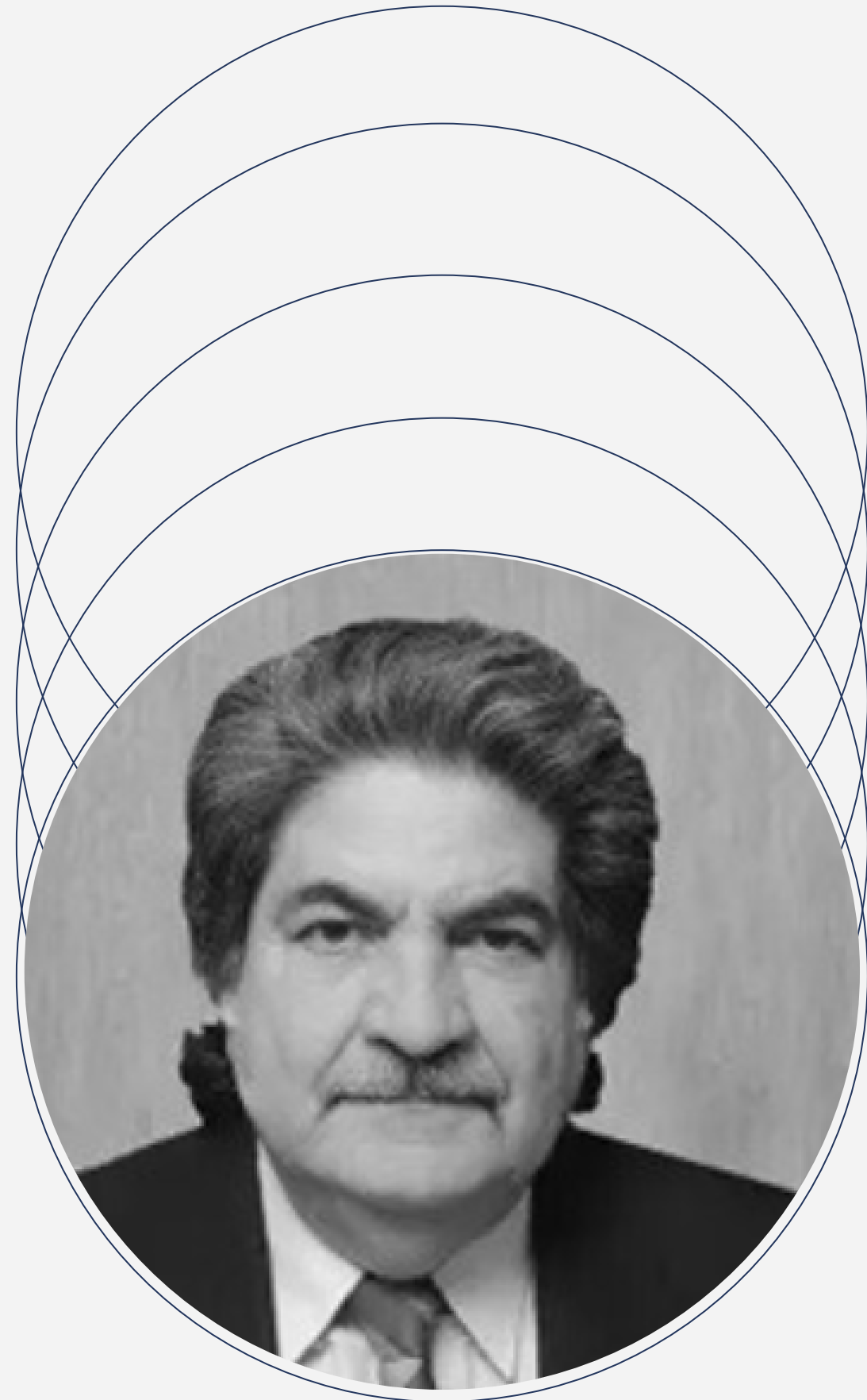




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Every major transaction is driven by its financing.

Behind acquisitions, infrastructure projects, energy developments, and corporate expansions lies a financing structure that determines who carries risk, who holds leverage, and who ultimately controls the outcome if circumstances change.

As lawyers and commercial professionals, our role is not simply to draft or review finance documents. Our responsibility is to understand how risk is structured, how it shifts over time, and how to protect our client before financial pressure emerges.

Financial covenants can quietly transfer power.

Events of default can transform negotiating dynamics overnight.

Security arrangements can determine survival in times of distress.

Without a clear understanding of how loan agreements operate in practice, risk cannot be properly mitigated.

This intensive five-day programme provides a practical, transaction-driven understanding of international banking and finance under English law. Participants will examine how facility agreements are structured, how security packages are designed, how intercreditor relationships operate, and how enforcement strategies unfold when a borrower faces financial difficulty.





# Day 01

## The Structure of Finance Transactions: Where Risk Begins

Focus: If you do not understand the structure of the deal, you cannot properly mitigate its risk.

- How international lending transactions are structured
- Bilateral vs syndicated facilities
- Roles of arranger, agent, security trustee

- Reading and analysing term sheets
- Pricing, margin, and risk assessment
- How structure determines leverage

### Practical Work:

Reverse engineering a financing structure to identify where risk and control sit from the outset.

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# Day 02

## The Facility Agreement: Hidden Risk in the Detail

**Focus:** The most significant risk exposures are often embedded in “standard” clauses.

- Representations and repeating representations
- Financial covenants and covenant headroom
- Information undertakings

- Events of default and cross-default provisions
- Material Adverse Change clauses
- Conditions precedent as control mechanisms

**Practical Work:**

Clause analysis and redrafting to shift risk position between lender and borrower.

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# Day 03

## Security, Guarantees and Priority: The Real Leverage

Focus: Security is not a formality it is the mechanism that determines survival in distress.

- Fixed and floating charges
- Debentures and all-assets security
- Share security and strategic enforcement

- Guarantees and indemnities
- Registration and perfection requirements
- Priority rules and intercreditor dynamics

### Practical Work:

Designing a security package for a multi-layer corporate group and identifying structural weaknesses.

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# Day 04

## Financial Distress and Enforcement Strategy

Focus: Risk mitigation requires anticipating enforcement before default occurs.

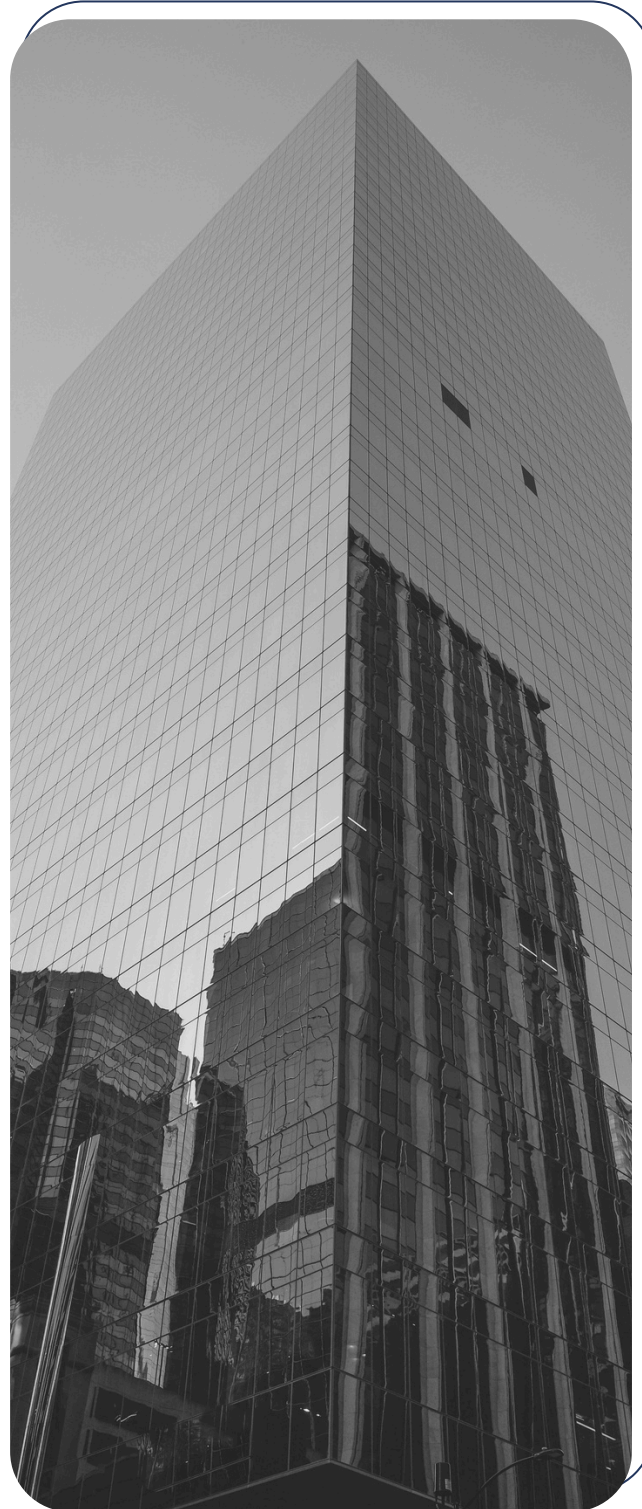
- Early warning signs in finance documents
- Enforcement options under English law
- Administration and receivership

- Cross-border enforcement challenges
- Strategic considerations for lenders and borrowers
- The impact of insolvency on secured creditors

### Practical Work:

Simulation Exercise: Advising competing stakeholders when a borrower enters financial distress.

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## Day 05

# Strategic Advisory and Risk Management in Practice

**Focus:** Moving from technical document review to strategic commercial advisory.

- Intercreditor tensions and structural subordination
- Refinancing risk and amendment strategy
- Waivers, standstill agreements, and negotiation leverage

- Balancing legal rights with commercial realities
- Ethical and professional judgment in high-pressure scenarios

### **Practical Work:**

**Capstone Simulation:** Negotiating a restructuring scenario involving senior lenders, mezzanine lenders, and shareholders defending your client's position while preserving commercial viability.



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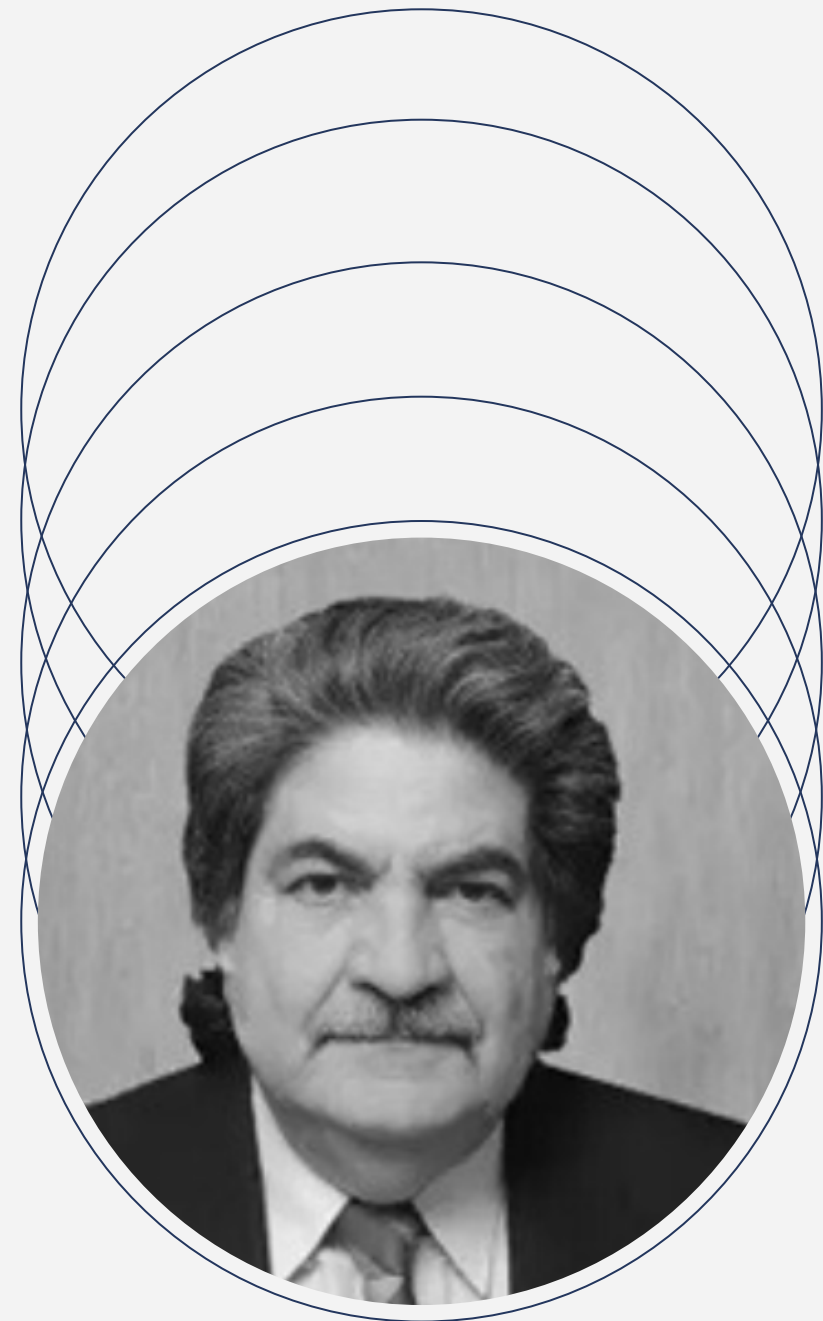
By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Identify where financial risk truly sits within a transaction
- Understand how finance documents alter control and leverage

- Anticipate enforcement consequences before they arise
- Advise clients strategically in both stable and distressed scenarios

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