Designing a UMTS cellular system with both Macrocellular and Microcellular networks is a delicate balancing exercise. The goal is to achieve optimum use of resources and maximum revenue potential whilst maintaining a high level of system quality. This course provides a good understanding of UMTS concepts, UMTS planning process & Optimization details. A good knowledge of telecommunication & GSM/UMTS technology would be beneficial for anyone attending this course.

Who Should Attend
This is advanced level course and suitable for telecom professionals including design, testing , support & sales engineers requiring good RF planning & optimization knowledge.

Objective
After completing this course, the audience will be able to:
- Understand UMTS architecture & concept
- Describe RF wave & antenna properties
- Define RF planning process
- Explain optimization

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