

## Data Analyst (code: LC-ANALYSIS)

### Overview

The idea of the course is to present a wide range of tools and techniques for data analysis and working with databases. The whole course takes place in the form of a workshop - participants have the opportunity to practice the learnt techniques on realistic data, similar to those they may encounter in their professional practice. The course covers: - the most important Excel tools and techniques related to data processing (including Pivot Tables, Solver and Analysis ToolPak) - statistical methods of data analysis - data visualisation and creating interactive visualisations in Excel - using databases based on MS Access and MS SQL Server - SQL database language All classes are conducted with computers and have a workshop character.

### Duration

64h

### Agenda

#### Excel as a tool in data analysis

1. Using Excel effectively
  - Keyboard shortcuts
  - Naming cells
  - Tables
2. Formulas and most commonly used functions
  - Logical functions
  - Search functions
  - Decision support functions
  - Mathematical and statistical functions
  - Formulas and array functions
3. Preparing data for analysis
  - Creating tables – Good practice
  - Viewing data: auto-filters and advanced filter
  - Removing duplicates
  - Text as columns tool
  - Text functions
  - Eliminating data errors
4. Collaboration in Excel and creating worksheets for other users
  - Data validation
  - Protecting a worksheet and locking cells
  - Hiding formulas and securing a worksheet
  - Creating your own forms and using formants
5. Pivot tables
  - Creating a pivot table
  - Modifying a pivot table
  - Filtering and sorting
  - Slicers
  - Grouping data
  - Benchmarking using a pivot table
  - Fields and calculation elements
6. Extending Pivot Tables – Power Pivot
  - Adding Excel tables to the model
  - Creating joins between tables

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- Pulling data from other sources into the data model
- Creating hierarchies
- Formatting data
- Sorting, filtering and hiding data
- 7. Situational analysis and optimisation
  - Scenario analysis – Scenario manager
  - Search for a result
  - Solver
- 8. Using external data
  - Importing data from external databases (MS Access, SQL Server)
  - Importing data from text files
  - Importing data from websites
  - Exporting data
- 9. Collecting and transforming data using Power Query
  - Importing data (e.g. from the Internet and databases)
  - Preparing data for analysis – Introduction to M language formulas
  - Transforming reports into a form enabling further analysis
- 10. Visualizing data with conditional formatting
  - Using built-in templates
  - Creating rules based on formulas
  - Illustrating shares, discrepancies and exceptions

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## Data visualisation

1. Data visualization with charts
  - Types of charts and their uses
  - Chart styles – Built-in and custom charts
  - Irregular charts
  - Charts based on grouped data
  - Frequency charts
  - Time charts
  - Pivot charts
2. Interactive scenario analysis – Dashboard
  - Control of report parameters using formants
  - Charts with selectable series displayed
  - Coupling of tables and pivot charts using slicers

## Statistical methods

1. Analysis ToolPak - launching and usage
2. Introduction to statistical methodology
  - Basic concepts: population, sample, random variables, hypothesis, statistical significance
  - Sampling – Principles of data collection
3. Descriptive statistics
  - Basic functions and descriptive statistics: mean, median, variance, standard deviation, skewness, kurtosis
  - Frequency, relative and cumulative frequency, quantiles
  - Histograms and resolution series
  - Trend analysis using graphs
4. Mathematical statistics
  - Basic concepts: probability, distribution, most frequently used distributions (normal, exponential, t-Student, chi-square)
  - Generation of random numbers with different distributions
  - Most important statistical tests in applications: t-Student test, z-test, F-test, chi-square test, analysis of variance
  - Searching for potential relations between data: covariance and correlation
    - Calculation and interpretation

- Trend analysis and prediction: regression analysis
  - Data waveform analysis and forecasting – Moving average, time series smoothing, exponential smoothing
5. What's next?
- Presentation of data mining methods using machine learning

## MS Access

1. Introduction to Microsoft Access 2016
  - Uses and capabilities of the program
  - Building Access databases: forms, tables, queries, reports
  - Basics of using ready-made databases created in Access
  - Import/export of data between Excel and Access
  - When to use Access and when to use Excel?
2. Fundamentals of database design
3. Creating tables
  - Data types
  - Relationships between tables, foreign keys and primary keys
  - Default values
4. Queries
  - Query Wizard
  - Query Design View
5. Forms
  - Form Wizard
  - Form Design View
6. Reports
  - Report Wizard
  - Report Design View
7. Printing data and reports

## SQL language in Access and MS SQL Server

1. Relational databases – basics
  - The concept of relations
  - Table, row, column
  - Key, primary key
  - Foreign keys and relationships between tables.
2. Basic views and operations in a database program (on the example of MS SQL Server and MS Access).
3. SQL Language
  - Simple Queries – SELECT structure
  - Functions and operators
  - Row selection – WHERE clause
  - Ordering of data – ORDER BY clause
  - TOP clause
  - Joining multiple tables
  - Row grouping
  - Aggregating functions
  - Selecting groups of rows – HAVING clause
  - Subqueries
  - Theory and multiplicity operations
4. Database schema
  - Data types
  - Creating tables – CREATE TABLE
  - Consistency ties
  - Row autonumbering.
5. Adding and modifying data
  - Adding data – INSERT

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- Modifying data – UPDATE
- Deleting data – DELETE

## Target audience and prerequisites

The participants should have the basic knowledge of Excel, no knowledge of data analysis is required.

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## Certificates

Course participants receive completion certificates signed by ALX.

## Locations

- Warsaw (English) – Jasna 14/16A
- Online (English) – your home, office or wherever you want
- any other location (London, UK, EU) on request

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## Price

999 EUR

The price includes:

- course materials,
- snacks, coffee, tea and soft drinks,
- course completion certificate,
- one-time consultation with the instructor after course completion.