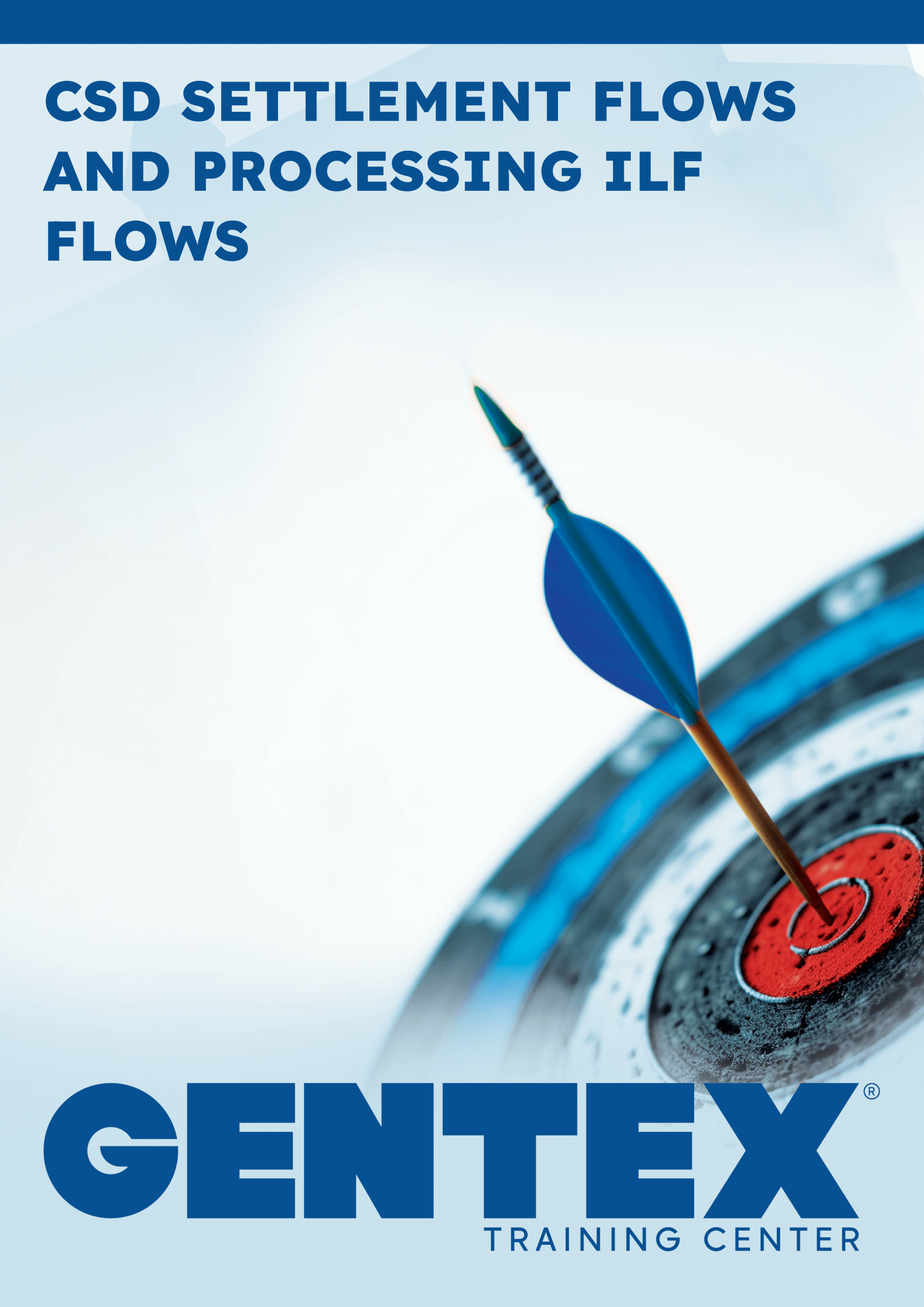
CSD SETTLEMENT FLOWS AND PROCESSING ILF FLOWS



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Introduction

CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows Training Course builds the operational capability that central securities depository staff, custodian operations teams, and settlement professionals need to process securities transactions accurately through to final settlement. A central securities depository holds the records that make ownership real, and its settlement flows decide whether trades complete or fail. Processing ILF flows adds a second layer. It covers instructions, links, and functionalities that move assets and cash between participants. Weak control there produces settlement fails, unmatched instructions, and unsettled positions. This course develops the operational discipline that prevents those outcomes. It covers settlement models, instruction processing, and matching. Furthermore, it applies ILF flows, fail management, and exception handling. In addition, it develops controls, risk, and reporting. As a result, participants process settlement flows with accuracy and audit-ready evidence.

CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows Course Objectives

- Explain CSD functions, roles, and the securities settlement cycle.
- Distinguish delivery versus payment and free of payment models.
- Apply real-time gross settlement and batch settlement processing.
- Process settlement instructions from receipt to finality.
- Apply matching, validation, and affirmation routines.
- Process ILF flows covering links, transfers, and functionalities.
- Manage settlement fails, buy-ins, and partial settlement.
- Apply reconciliation across positions, cash, and instructions.
- Design controls for settlement processing and exception handling.
- Prepare settlement reporting, KPIs, and audit evidence.

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Course Methodology

- Interactive lectures with real settlement and CSD processing cases.
- Settlement instruction and matching workshops.
- ILF flow processing and exception drills.
- Fail management, reconciliation, and reporting practice.
- Structured peer review with facilitator feedback on process design.

Who Should Take This Course

- CSD and depository operations staff.
- Custodian and settlement operations professionals.
- Back-office and securities processing analysts.
- Reconciliation and control analysts.
- Internal auditors covering settlement operations.
- Technology and process analysts supporting CSD systems.

CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows Course Outlines

Day 1: CSD Foundations and Settlement Cycle

- CSD and ICSD roles, functions, and participant models.
- Securities holding structures: immobilisation and dematerialisation.
- Trade date, settlement date, and the settlement cycle.
- Delivery versus payment and free of payment mechanisms.
- Settlement discipline regimes and regulatory expectations.

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- Participant admission, accounts, and securities structures.
- Case study: tracing a trade through the settlement cycle.

Day 2: Settlement Instructions and Matching

- Instruction capture channels and message formats.
- Validation rules, standing data, and account checks.
- Matching criteria, tolerances, and unmatched queues.
- Affirmation, confirmation, and pre-settlement matching.
- Cut-off times and settlement day scheduling.
- Cancellation, amendment, and hold procedures.
- Workshop: processing and matching a set of settlement instructions.

Day 3: ILF Flows and Processing Functionalities

- ILF flow definition, structure, and message standards.
- Link processing and delivery-versus-payment link handling.
- Position transfers and account movement processing.
- Corporate action and income settlement flows.
- Collateral and pledge functionality flows.
- Exception handling in ILF processing.
- Workshop: processing an ILF flow from initiation to completion.

Day 4: Fails Management and Exception Handling

- Settlement fail causes and root cause analysis.
- Buy-in procedures and penalty regimes.
- Partial settlement and shaping rules.

- Recycling and retry routines for failed instructions.
- Escalation, reporting, and participant communication.
- Documentation and audit trail standards.
- Workshop: managing a failed settlement through to resolution.

Day 5: Controls, Risk, and Reporting

- Control design for settlement processing.
- Reconciliation across positions, cash, and instruction records.
- Key risk indicators and operational risk registers.
- Business continuity and peak volume handling.
- Settlement reporting, dashboards, and participant statistics.
- Audit evidence preparation and inspection readiness.
- Course review, assessment, and action planning.

Conclusion

By successfully completing CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows, participants will gain a thorough understanding of CSD functions and the settlement cycle, settlement instruction and matching processing, ILF flows and processing functionalities, fails management and exception handling, and settlement controls, risk and reporting. They will also acquire practical skills in CSD settlement cycle processing, settlement instruction validation and matching, ILF flow processing and exception handling, and settlement controls, reconciliation and reporting. In addition, the course prepares them to process securities settlement with accuracy and defensible evidence. Gentex Training Center delivers this programme with a strong focus on applied settlement practice and audit-ready processing records.

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FAQs for CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows course

Q1 What is the "CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows" course about?

It is a five-day programme on processing securities settlement through a central securities depository. It covers CSD functions and the settlement cycle, instruction processing and matching, ILF flows and processing functionalities, fails management and exception handling, and settlement controls and reporting.

Q2 What are the key benefits of the "CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows" course?

Participants process settlement with fewer fails and unmatched instructions. The course improves instruction validation and matching accuracy, sharpens ILF flow handling and link processing, strengthens fail management and buy-in procedures, improves reconciliation and exception handling, and raises settlement reporting and audit readiness.

Q3 What skills will I gain from the "CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows" course?

Participants gain CSD settlement cycle processing, settlement instruction validation and matching, ILF flow processing and exception handling, and settlement controls, reconciliation and reporting. These four skills cover the practical core of settlement operations work.

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Q4 What tools, methods, or standards are covered in the "CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows" course?

The course covers CSD and ICSD roles and participant models, immobilisation and dematerialisation structures, trade date and settlement date conventions, delivery versus payment and free of payment mechanisms, settlement discipline regimes, participant admission and account structures, instruction capture channels and message formats, validation rules and standing data checks, matching criteria and tolerances, affirmation and pre-settlement matching, cut-off times and settlement day scheduling, cancellation, amendment and hold procedures, ILF flow structure and message standards, delivery-versus-payment link processing, position transfer and account movement processing, corporate action and income settlement flows, collateral and pledge functionality, ILF exception handling, settlement fail root cause analysis, buy-in procedures and penalty regimes, partial settlement and shaping rules, recycling and retry routines, escalation and participant communication, audit trail standards, settlement control design, reconciliation across positions, cash and instruction records, key risk indicators and operational risk registers, business continuity planning, and settlement reporting dashboards.

Q5 How is the "CSD Settlement Flows and Processing ILF Flows" course applied in real-world practice?

Participants apply the methods to real and simulated settlement operations. They capture and validate instructions, match settlement records, resolve unmatched queues, process ILF flows and delivery-versus-payment links, handle position transfers, manage failed settlements through buy-in or recycling, reconcile positions and cash, document exceptions, apply controls, and prepare settlement reporting and audit evidence. Many leave with an instruction matching checklist, an ILF flow processing guide, and a settlement reporting dashboard structure ready to use.

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