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Founded in 1988 as the Disaster Recovery Institute, DRI International's goals are to promote business continuity planning and disaster recovery through education, assistance, and publication of standards; certify qualified individuals in the discipline; and promote the credibility and professionalism of certified individuals. DRI International currently offers three levels of certification:

- Associate Business Continuity Planner (ABCP)
- Certified Business Continuity Professional (CBCP)
- Master Business Continuity Professional (MBCP)

Associate Business Continuity Planner (ABCP)

The Associate Business Continuity Planner certification is the first of the three professional qualifications awarded by Disaster Recovery Institute International. It is an entry-level qualification intended for those candidates who have less than two years of business continuity or disaster recovery planning or who otherwise don't qualify for the Certified Business Continuity Professional designation. To earn the Associate Business Continuity Planner qualification candidates must first receive a passing score on the DRII examination (75%) and then apply for certification. The examination covers the following ten subject areas of the Professional Practices for the Business Continuity Planners:

- Project initiation and management
- Risk evaluation and control
- Business impact analysis
- Developing business continuity strategies
- Emergency response and operations
- Developing and implementing business continuity plans
- Awareness and training programs
- Maintaining and exercising business continuity plans
- Public relations and crisis coordination
- Coordination with public authorities

DRII offers training courses and publications in addition to certification. The DRII examination fee is US\$ 250. An application fee of US\$ 50 is also applicable. Please visit DRII online at www.drii.org for more information.

Certified Business Continuity Professional (CBCP)

Certified Business Continuity Professional is the core qualification awarded by the DRI International to those candidates who

- Have at least two years of business continuity and/or disaster recovery planning work experience
- Receive a passing score (75%) on the DRII examination
- Provide at least two suitable professional references

The DRII examination tests the candidates on the ten subject areas of the Professional Practices for the Business Continuity Planners:

- Project initiation and management
- Risk evaluation and control
- Business impact analysis
- Developing business continuity strategies
- Emergency response and operations
- Developing and implementing business continuity plans
- Awareness and training programs
- Maintaining and exercising business continuity plans
- Public relations and crisis coordination
- Coordination with public authorities

DRII application fee for CBCP candidates is US\$ 250 in addition to the DRII examination fee of US\$ 250. Continuing professional education requirements also apply to Certified Business Continuity Professionals.

For up to date information on the CBCP designation please visit DRII online at www.drii.org.

Master Business Continuity Professional (MBCP)

For those candidates who have demonstrated significant knowledge and experience in the business continuity and/or disaster recovery planning DRII offers the Master Business Continuity Professional (MBCP) designation. MBCP requirements include the following:

- At least five years of business continuity and/or disaster recovery planning work experience
- Score of 85% or higher on the DRII examination
- Completion of a case study exam or a Masters-thesis level directed research project
- Provision of at least two suitable professional references

Like ABCP and CBCP candidates, MBCP candidates are tested on the ten subject areas of the Professional Practices for the Business Continuity Planners:

- Project initiation and management
- Risk evaluation and control
- Business impact analysis
- Developing business continuity strategies
- Emergency response and operations
- Developing and implementing business continuity plans
- Awareness and training programs
- Maintaining and exercising business continuity plans
- Public relations and crisis coordination
- Coordination with public authorities

In addition to the DRII examination fee of US\$ 250, MBCP candidates also have to pay an application fee of US\$ 300.

For a complete description of MBCP requirements and up to date information please visit www.drii.org.