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Interim Financial Controller: Stock-Led International Business, Sale Preparation

Description

Location: Watford, Hertfordshire (hybrid, mainly on-site with 1–2 days remote)

Contract: Interim, approximately 6 months

Start: Immediate

Rate: Competitive day rate

FD Capital is working with a profitable, private equity-backed international business that has grown quickly over the past three years. The company is preparing for a sale process in the coming months and needs an experienced interim Financial Controller to strengthen its finance function and make sure it is ready for due diligence.

The role

The business runs stock across multiple warehouse locations in the UK and North America, with local finance teams reporting into the UK. You will join at a pivotal moment. You will take ownership of the numbers, fix what needs fixing, and give the leadership team and prospective buyers confidence in the financial information.

The role might suit a fractional FC 3 days per week, or an interim 5 days per week.

Responsibilities

Key responsibilities include:

- Supporting the sale process by preparing, reconciling and presenting financial data for due diligence
- Moving reporting off complex spreadsheets onto robust, well-controlled processes
- Strengthening stock control, inventory valuation and reconciliations across several warehouse sites
- Consolidating results from UK and overseas entities, including multi-currency reporting
- Improving the month-end close, management accounts and balance sheet integrity
- Working closely with senior management and external advisers, and responding quickly to information requests
- Identifying control weaknesses and putting practical fixes in place under tight deadlines

Qualifications

About you

- A qualified accountant (ACA, ACCA or CIMA) with substantial Financial Controller experience
- Strong background in stock-driven businesses such as distribution, wholesale, manufacturing or similar, with hands-on inventory accounting across multiple sites

Hiring organization

FD Capital

Employment Type

Full-time, Part-time

Beginning of employment

12th October 2026

Duration of employment

6 months

Industry

Distribution

Job Location

Watford, South East, United Kingdom

Working Hours

9-5

Base Salary

£ 500 - £ 600

Date posted

September 28, 2026

Valid through

12.10.2026

- Experience of multi-entity, multi-currency consolidation, ideally with international operations
- Previous involvement in a sale process, vendor due diligence or PE-backed environment is highly desirable
- Robust, self-starting and comfortable working unsupervised in a fast-paced, reactive setting
- Able to bring structure quickly and deliver improvements without disrupting day-to-day operations
- Available to start immediately and able to commute to Watford, for example from North London, Hertfordshire, Buckinghamshire or the Milton Keynes area

Job Benefits

Why apply

This is a high-impact interim assignment with real visibility. You will play a central part in a business's journey to a successful exit, working with a supportive leadership team in a profitable, growing company.

How to apply

Please send your CV to FD Capital, noting your current availability and day rate. All applications are handled in strict confidence, and the client's identity will be shared with shortlisted candidates only.