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UK CFO (Interim / Contract)

Description

London (4 days onsite) | 12+ Month Contract

About the Opportunity

We are working with a high-growth, cutting-edge technology business in the defence sector that is scaling rapidly following significant contract wins and a strong pipeline of future opportunities.

With major international expansion underway, our client is looking to appoint a UK CFO to play a pivotal role in building and leading the finance function during this critical growth phase.

The Role

Reporting directly to UK and global leadership, this is a hands-on CFO position combining strategic oversight with operational delivery.

You will be instrumental in establishing robust financial processes, supporting expansion across jurisdictions, and ensuring the business is positioned for scale.

Responsibilities

Key Responsibilities

- Lead financial reporting to UK and global leadership teams
- Manage company-wide cash flow and financial planning
- Oversee budgeting (monthly, quarterly, annual)
- Lead and develop the finance function, including Financial Controller and supply chain finance activities
- Support tax, compliance, and corporate filings
- Establish and oversee new legal entities across Europe
- Monitor profitability and financial performance of the UK business
- Manage relationships with external accountants, auditors, and advisors
- Support broader commercial activities where required (e.g. contracts, insurance, operational finance)

Qualifications

Candidate Profile

We are looking to speak with individuals who bring:

- Proven experience operating at CFO / Finance Director level
- Strong background in high-growth or scaling environments
- Hands-on approach with willingness to operate at both strategic and operational levels
- Experience managing confidential and sensitive financial data
- Ability to thrive in a fast-paced, evolving environment
- Strong attention to detail and accountability

Hiring organization

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Employment Type

Full-time, Temporary

Beginning of employment

1st May 2026

Duration of employment

12 months

Industry

Defence Sector

Job Location

London, South East, United Kingdom

Working Hours

9-5

Base Salary

£ 140,000 - £ 200,000

Date posted

April 21, 2026

Valid through

31.05.2026

Desirable:

Experience with Business Central ERP

Background in defence, aerospace, or advanced engineering sectors

Job Benefits

Immediate start required

Competitive / above-market day rate available

Significant exposure to international growth and strategic decision-making

Contacts

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