

A well-known international Brewer and Pub Chain currently going through an exciting Business Change programme bringing in opportunities for expansion in our Pubs Division, building a new state of the art Brewery in Bedford, as well as building a new best-in-class finance function for our French division are recruiting a **French speaking Finance Accountant** which includes implementing a new accounting system for the French business on Microsoft Navision. Based in Bedford, this role reports to the Group Finance Controller, and is responsible for financial accounts, group reporting and cashflow forecasting. For each of these areas, you will ensure the provision of timely and quality financial reporting whilst ensuring robust controls and process improvement.

Role of the Finance Accountant:

- Internal group reporting
- Improving financial controls across the French business
- Consolidating monthly French entities results into group and calculating consolidation adjustments.
- Consolidating UK entities monthly results into group and calculating consolidation adjustments.
- Preparing monthly balance sheet and cashflow and working closely, but remotely with the finance manager in France on P&L.
- Assisting the finance manager in France with the budget, forecast and strategic planning process.
- French month end journals, accruals, prepayments etc.
- Preparing relevant monthly French balance sheet reconciliations and bank account reconciliations.
- Maintaining the French fixed asset register.
- Maintaining French cash flow forecasting.
- Ensuring the French till/cash reconciliation are completed accurately.
- Assisting with the implementation of the French accounting system, Microsoft Navision.
- Liaising with French external accountants for the completion of the income tax return.
- Ensuring the French annual audit process is planned and carried out effectively.
- Managing French expense claim forms and identifying process improvements.
- Reviewing the French weekly payment run.
- Assisting the finance manager in France with project work.
- Attend fortnightly UK risk meetings and ensure that UK bad debt and deferred rent are calculated accurately.
- Manage the UK credit card accounting process and identify process improvements.
- The preparation of Financial Statements in line with FRS102.
- Completion of the UK annual corporation tax pack.
- Ensuring the annual UK audit process is planned and carried out effectively.
- Other ad-hoc duties.

Profile:

- Qualified accountant combined with prior experience of working for a firm of accountants or industry.
- French national or fluent in business French gained from working in or with France
- Strong knowledge of the technical and regulatory requirements of accounts preparation and experience of consolidations.
- Advanced excel skills.
- Strong “can do” attitude.
- Highly organised and methodical in delivering a service with a high level of attention to detail.
- Excited about being a part of a changing and evolving culture.

Salary and benefits:

- Competitive salary
- 25 days annual leave + bank holidays
- Private medical health care, life insurance pension and 30% off dining

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